MONKOKEHAMPTON PARISH COUNCIL

Prior to the meeting commencing the Chairman invited the following people to address the meeting: There being no public attending the meeting, the Chairman opened the meeting.

Minutes of the Monkokehampton Parish Council Meeting that took place on Wednesday January 4th 2023 at 7.30 pm in the Old School Room.

Present: Chairman Councillor T Dennis, Councillor P Fishleigh, Councillor B Pearce, Councillor V Allin, Councillor J Murrin, Councillor V Murrin.

Also Present: Borough Councillor B Ratcliffe

- 1. To receive apologies for absence and consider if the reason for the absence should be formally approved by the council: Councillor Smallacombe, no reason given
- 2. To receive any Declarations of Interest from members:

Councillors are reminded to declare any personal or prejudicial interests they may have in any agenda items: none declared

- 3. To receive the Minutes of the Previous Meeting held on Wednesday November 2nd 2022
 Copies of which have been previously circulated to members and are to be agreed and signed by the Chairman as a true record of the previous meeting held on November 2nd 2022. These were agreed by all and signed by the chairman.
- 4. Report by West Devon Borough Councillor:

Not in attendance

- 5. Past subject matters for further discussion:
 - 5.1 [6.2] Air Band: many of the poles have been placed on the road verges and not on private land. Permission has to be given by landowners if poles need to be placed onto their land.
 - 5.2 [9.4] River quality: it was reported that samples have been taken.
- 6. Clerks Report and Correspondence received:
 - 6.1 Citizens Advice: it was agreed to send a £50 donation to this good cause.
 - 6.2 Proposed Constituency: the council are not happy to be possibly placed into a larger area. It is hoped that West Devon Borough Council will remain as it is as they are very supportive of small parishes.
- 7. Planning: none received
- 8. Finance:
 - 8.1 Precept: the clerk passed around a forecasting for discussion. This was discussed and it was agreed to increase it by £2 to £4,600.
 - 8.2 Statement of Accounts: Current Account £12,936.58 Reserve Account £6,777.98
 - 8.3 Clerks Salary & Expenses: the clerks' new contract, in line with NALC was signed. Salary and expenses plus extra time were paid.
- 9. Matters for further reporting:
 - 9.1 The clerk asked if the council are thinking of souvenirs for the Kings Coronation in May. It was agreed that they are and the clerk was asked to see what will be available.
 - 9.2 It was reported that there was a lot of water which had turned into ice around Vellaford farm entrance. However, this is situated within Hatherleigh Council and Councillor Allin said she would contact them.

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- 9.3 It was reported that the street light leading into the village from the Exbourne side are on all night. They should be turned off at 12.30 pm. The clerk will contact WDBC.
- 9.4 Weeds around the village many of which are outside private houses. However, it does make the village look untidy. A notice will be placed into the Parish Pump asking people if they can tidy up their area. Councillor Allin will contact them.
- 10. Confidential Matters:
- 11. Date of Next Meeting: March 8th 2023

Signed:	Dated:

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