



MERTON PARISH COUNCIL

Chairman: M Parker

Clerk/RFO: R Martin



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 5TH APRIL 2016 IN ST PETER'S CHURCH

Present: Councillors: Parker (Chairman), de Grey, Dunn, and Riley, and Rosemary Martin (Clerk);

1 parishioner and 1 Church Warden (Warden Haggett) in attendance.

662. To receive apologies for absence
Apologies received from Cllr Macro
663. To receive declarations of interest
Cllr de Grey declared an interest in item 670
664. To adjourn the meeting for Parishioners Questions
The meeting was adjourned.
The meeting was reconvened.
665. To agree and sign the minutes of the Parish Council meetings held 12th January and 10th February 2016
It was proposed by Cllr de Grey and seconded by Cllr Dunn that the minutes were an accurate record of the meetings. All agreed. The minutes were signed by the Chairman.
666. Matters arising from the previous minutes (for information only)
None.
667. Routine Finance
- a) Bank Balances
 - Community Account £1,463.10
 - Saver Account £1,674.23
 - b) Draft Accounts
The Clerk presented the draft accounts for 2015/2016. It was proposed by Cllr Riley and seconded by Cllr Dunn, that these accounts were correct. All agreed.
 - c) To confirm additional payment to Ray Barnard for cutting round sides and back of Village Hall during 2016 (para 661). All agreed.
668. To consider quotation from Pete Myhill for emergency repairs to Village Hall
Quotation not accepted. Cllr Dunn to get quote.
669. To receive update on preparations for fund raising event at Merton Hall
Detailed update on actions completed, and actions still outstanding. There will be a working party meeting on the day before the event.
670. Planning
3PL/2015/0657/F update from Cllr Dunn (this item was moved to the back of the agenda)
3PL/2015/0455/O still undecided.
671. To consider action required to satisfy provisions of government Transparency Code for Smaller Authorities
The Parish Council will need to set up a web site and publish agendas, minutes and other documents on the website. The government will provide free software to run the website. The Clerk will apply for a grant to purchase suitable kit for the PC to run this software.
672. To receive reports from Councillors and Clerk(All)



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There will be a meeting at the Village Hall on 18th April 10:00 to establish what further work is required to secure the fabric of the Village Hall.

673. To receive correspondence (including any received after the preparation of the Agenda)
None received.

674. To consider response to granting of permission for Planning application
3PL/2015/0657/F
Cllr de Grey left the meeting.
After discussion, it was resolved to put in a formal complaint to Breckland District Council regarding the process used to make this decision.

675. To confirm the date of the next meeting
The Annual Meeting of the Parish will take place on 24th May in St Peter's Church at 6:30 pm. The next meeting of the Parish Council will take place immediately after.

Meeting closed at 7:30 pm