OLD MILVERTON AND BLACKDOWN JOINT PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY, 10TH. OCTOBER 2016 AT OLD MILVERTON VILLAGE HALL

PRESENT: Councillors J.M.Lander (Chairman), J.Emmerson, Mrs.A.Kelsey and W.M.O.Tansey; District Councillors W.L.Gifford and Miss H.Grainger.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: Councillor Mrs. L.Keeling;County CouncillorW.Redford; District Councillor Mrs. A.M.Stevens.

1762. MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the meeting held on 5th. September 2016 were approved, and were signed by the Chairman.

1763. MATTER ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES

A detailed response was still awaited from Warwick District Council in respect of the 2015 Election Expenses dispute, though an assurance had been given that it was being given active attention.

1764. WARWICK DISTRICT LOCAL PLAN

Examination of the Warwick District Local Plan had resumed on 27th. September 2016, and the Parish Council's representations were programmed to be heard on 13th. October, when local residents were encouraged to attend. A briefing session had been held for those who would be speaking to oppose the proposals relating to Old Milverton Parish. Contributions had been received from some 57 local residents towards the cots of sustaining the representations

1765. OLD MILVERTON AND BLACKDOWN NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

The Neighbourhood Plan remained dormant in view of the uncertainty of the Local Plan but as and when the pressures of the Local Plan proposals had abated, the matter might be taken forward.

1766. OLD MILVERTON VILLAGE HALL

A request had been received from the Old Milverton Village Hall Committee to assist in financing the elimination of woodworm in the building. Three quotations had been received and it was proposed to accept the lowest - for £2,772.00 - and the Parish Council had been asked to make a grant of 50% of this cost. After discussion, it was decided to abide by the initial decision to match fund grants and fund raising for the work (up to a maximum of £2,000.00). The Clerk was, therefore, asked to ascertain the amount of grants which had been obtained to date, and if there were none, to provide to the Committee further details of possible grant sources. (*ref. minutes 1626 of 11 May 2015, 1645(b) of 23 May 2015, 1656(b) of 13 July 2015, 1686(b) of 5 October 2015, 1746(a) of 11 July 2016*)

1767. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The following were noted in accordance with details previously circulated: *W16/1188 Manor Farm, Old Milverton Road, Old Milverton* Roof insulation, reinstatement of blocked widows, internal alterations and new conservatory. GRANTED.

W16/1224 Llandrecies, Church Lane, Old Milverton Replacement of two-story side extension and fenestration alterations GRANTED

1668. OLD MILVERTON VILLAGE STREET FURNITURE

(a). The Clerk reported that the Old Milverton Lane road sign at the Village Green had been replaced following the loss of the previous sign in a road accident.

(b). The Clerk reported that half wooden-barrels were for sale at the Black Hill Garden Centre between Warwick and Stratford at £34.99 (with a diameter of 25" at the top), to replace the rotted half-barrel near the old Notice Board. Cllr Mrs.Kelsey volunteered to consider and to report back, perhaps, considering the use of a section of large calibre pipe let vertically into the ground.

(c). It was agreed that the old Notice Board should now be removed.

1769. CORRESPONDENCE AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cllr. Emmerson reported that the Speed Gun Team had operated during the previous week and had detected some motorists exceeding the speed limit, to whom letters would be sent.

1770. APPROVAL OF ACCOUNTS

The accounts specified in the schedule provided to Members were approved for payment, including $\pounds 3,979.80$ and $\pounds 3,512.80$ in respect of professional consultancy work relating to representations to the Warwick DC Local Plan.

1771. ITEMS FOR FORTHCOMING MEETINGS

The Clerk was asked to take action in the following matters:

(a). Overgrowing of briers on the foot way in Old Milverton Road

(b). Overgrowing of vegetation on the foot way in Church Lane

(c). Ascertain the likely final grass cutting of the year in Old Milverton

(d). The larger than expected signage at the entrance to Priors House

(e) The appearance at Blackdown Roundabout of a sign advertising "Commando" organisation.

(f). The current planning permissions at Quarry Park

1772. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None

CHAIRMAN