## OLD MILVERTON AND BLACKDOWN JOINT PARISH COUNCIL

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Dear Councillor,

You are requested to attend the Meeting of the Parish Council on Monday 16<sup>th</sup>. March 2020, at 8.00 p.m., in the Village Hall, Old Milverton, to transact the business in the Agenda below.

Please let me know in the event of your not being able to attend.

Yours sincerely, **Graham E. Cooper**GRAHAM E. COOPER
Clerk to the Council.

## AGENDA

Members are reminded that they should declare the existence and nature of their personal interest at the commencement of the relevant item (or as soon as the interest becomes apparent). If that interest is a prejudicial interest the Member must withdraw from the room unless one of the exemptions applies.

Welcome to Councillor George Illingworth TD, Chairman of Warwick District Council

- 1. Declaration by members of the existence and nature of any personal interest in any of the items on this agenda.
- 2. Consideration of any apologies for absence
- 3. Consideration of the draft minutes of the Meeting on 25th. November 2019 (copy attached)
- 4. Reports on matters arising from the previous minutes, not covered elsewhere on the agenda:
- (a). Installation of plant barrels in Church Lane
- (b). Possible footpath near Leamington Rugby Football Club, Kenilworth Road
- (c). Booking signs outside Woodland Grange
- (d). Improving sight-lines at Stoneleigh Road Sandy Lane junction
- (e). Proposed tree-planting in Stoneleigh Road
- (f). Hedge trimming in Stoneleigh Road
- 5. Discussion with Councillor George Illingworth on topics of interest.
- 6. Consideration of arrangements for Annual Parish Meeting on Monday 27th. April 2020
- (a). Meeting notices
- (b) Format
- (c). Refreshments
- 7. Consideration of format of Parish Council website
- 8. Noting any CIL expenditure suggestions
- 9. Review of Planning Applications already circulated and confirmation of submissions
- 10. Correspondence and announcements
- (a). Consideration of request from Leamington Rugby Football Club for support for its application to Warwick District Council for grant is respect of alterations to its main club room and associated works.

11. Consideration of a request from Power for People (approved by Warwickshire and West Midlands Association of Local Councils (WALC)) to ask WALC to support the Local Electricity Bill. (124 Local Councils have already done so) to adopt the resolutions at Appendix A.

The Bill would empower local communities to sell locally generated clean energy directly to local customers by establishing a statutory Right to Local Supply. This is currently impossible because of the huge set-up and running costs involved in doing so. The benefits of this would be:

- a. Local communities and businesses could buy their electricity from a local energy company.
- b. Building more local renewable energy would be financially viable.
- c. Communities would benefit from the revenues that new local energy companies would generate, such as more local skilled jobs, energy efficiency schemes and investment in local facilities
- 12. Consideration of accounts for payment as listed on the schedule provided for Parish Councillors
- 13. Official recognition of Budget Comparisons and Balance and Bank Comparisons.
- 14. Items for forthcoming meetings.

End of formal meeting

Public participation

## NEXT MEETING: ANNUAL PARISH MEETING ON MONDAY, 27TH. APRIL 2020 AT 8.00 P.M.

## Appendix A

That Old Milverton and Blackdown Joint Parish Council

- (i) notes that the Local Electricity Bill
  - aims to address the current situation, whereby the very large financial setup and running costs involved in selling locally generated renewable electricity to local customers result in it being impossible for local renewable electricity generators to do so,
  - if made law, would make these financial costs proportionate to the scale of a renewable electricity supplier's operation which empower local businesses, local communities and councils to sell locally generated renewable electricity directly to local people, businesses and organisations, and
  - would result in revenues received by councils or community organisations that set up local renewable electricity companies could be used to help fund local greenhouse gas emissions reduction measures and to help improve local services and facilities;
- (ii) accordingly resolves to support the Local Electricity Bill, supported by a cross-party group of 115 MPs during the 2017-19 Parliamentary session; and
- (iii) further resolves to write to the organisers of the campaign for the Bill, Power for People, (at 8 Delancey Passage, Camden, London NW1 7NN or <a href="mailto:info@powerforpeople.org.uk">info@powerforpeople.org.uk</a>) expressing its support.