***Ryton and Grindle Parish Council***

Chair: John Webb Clerk:**Penny Brasenell**

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SY156BX

**Parish Council Meeting**

Minutes of the Annual Council meeting held at St. Andrew’s Church, Ryton, on Wednesday 11th December 2019

**Present:** Cllr John Webb (Chair), Cllr Sarah Williams, Cllr Richard Holt ,Cllr Mark Dady

**In attendance:** Penny Brasenell, Clerk to the Council.

Cllr Michael Wood ( Shropshire Unitary)

Vanessa Vosney ( New Clerk)

Graham Manton ( Apley Estates)

Several residents

**31/19 Apologies**

Cllr Carl Steventon from Beckbury Parish Council

**32/19 Declarations of Interest**

None.

**33/19 Public Forum**

Cllr Wood spoke at length about the roads in and around Ryton and Grindle and accepted that they are some of the worst in the Shropshire Council area. He attributed the problems to the Councils Highways contractor Kier who are in Financial difficulties (across the country) and confirmed that the company were in talks with Shropshire Council regarding solutions.

Cllr Wood suggested that the Chair (Cllr Webb) should write to Shropshire Councils Chief Executive and request an explanation and resolution to the issues and that he (Cllr Wood) would chase an answer. Cllr Williams asked Cllr Wood to find out why the app ‘Fix my Street’ is no longer supported by Shropshire Council when reporting problems such as flytipping or potholes, he confirmed that he would find out and report back. Cllr Wood will be invited to the meeting on 11th March 2020.

Allen Amey raised several matters regarding the dangerous muddy and damaged roads in and around Ryton and Grindle, he said that farmers were not clearing up after themselves each day and this was making the roads impassable in places. He asked the Parish Council to press Shropshire Council for action before a serious accident occurs. Cllr Williams asked Cllr Wood if periodic road inspections are scheduled and if so when, Cllr Wood was unaware of the specifics.

**Actions**

* Invitation to be extended to Rupert Kenyon-Slaney to the next meeting ( who farm vehicles use the lanes around Ryton and Grindle) – New Clerk
* Email/Letter to be sent the Shropshire Council Chief Executive requesting an improvement plan for R & G roads and lanes – Cllr John Webb

**34/19 To Approve the Minutes of the meeting held on 11th September 2019**

The minutes of the Council meeting were approved and signed by the Chair as a true and accurate record.

**35/19 Matters arising from the minutes**

None

**36/19 Co Option of a new Councillor in the Casual Councillor vacancy**

Anne Banks was proposed by Cllr Holt and seconded by Cllr Williams and was duly co - opted onto the Parish Council.

**37/19 Cheque Payments**

Pbrasenell 325 388.44

Pbrasenell 326 64.47

Web Orchard 327 228.00

Riverwood 328 65.00

All approved

**38/19 Finance**

**Bank Reconciliation and Audit Report**

The Clerk presented the bank reconciliation and electronic cashbook together with the proposed budget and precept request for 2020/21 at £3620

It was proposed by Cllr Holt, seconded by Cllr Webb and RESOLVED to accept all together with the financial reports.

**39/19 Planning Matters**

Graham Manton from Apley estates updated the Parish Council with regard to the cessation of trading from Grindle House Farm by RenNew. He confirmed that there are no new deliveries entering the site and apologised for the difficulties faced through the delay. He discussed the future of the site and asked R & G PC for suggestions as to the new planning application. Councillors acknowledged the inclusion and confirmed that the Parish Council would like to work alongside Apley Estates when plans are developed. Cllr Holt stressed that this needs to be done from the beginning. Mr Manton agreed to the suggested a site visit and discussions in the new year.

**Actions**

* Cllr Webb to contact Apley estates ( Graham Manton) and arrange a Parish Council site visit to Grindle House Farm – Early New Year

**40/19 Correspondence**

None that had not been covered under other agenda items or circulated to councillors prior to the meeting.

**41/19 Smartwater –** Cllr Carl Steventon from neighbouring Beckbury was not able to

attend the meeting due to Christmas commitments and the item was deferred

**42/19 Noticeboards**

Cllr Webb confirmed that the new Noticeboards in both Ryton and Grindle were suffering from unexpected weather damage, and would be removed and repaired under warranty in the new year

**43/19 New Clerk**

Cllr Webb confirmed that a replacement Clerk had now been found following the resignation of the current Clerk Penny Brasenell

**44/19 Urgent matters raised not on the Agenda**

Councillor Mark Dady resigned his resignation was duly accepted by the Chair. Ryton and Grindle Parish Council offer their heartfelt thanks to Cllr Dady who has been a councillor for 10 years and accepts his very generous offer of consultant on planning matters.

### 45/19 Next Meeting

### Wednesday 11th March 2020

The meeting closed at 21.25

Signed ………………………………………………………..Date…………….