**Minutes of the Snowdrop Valley 2020 Committee Meeting held on Tuesday 16 July 2019 at 6.30pm in the Moorland Hall**

Present: Cllrs Eric Norman (Chairman), John Anson & Roger Foxwell (part of meeting), with Frank O’Neill, Jim Winzer, Sue White, Gill Langdon, Angela Edwards, Amanda Hamley (Snowdrop Valley Coordinator), and Nic Kemp (Parish Clerk).

2.1 Public Question Time: None

2.2 Apologies for absence and welcome to new committee members: No apologies. Cllr Norman noted that Gemma Jackson and Cllr Foxwell were absent.

2.3 Declarations of Interest:
Mr Winzer – staff member
Cllr Norman – owner of Rest and Be Thankful Inn

2.4 Minutes of the Last Meeting and Matters Arising: Cllr Norman signed the minutes of the meeting held on 18 June 2019 as a true and accurate record.

2.5 Setting a Draft Budget: It was agreed that Cllr Norman, Cllr Anson, Clerk and Coordinator draft a budget to present at the next meeting.

Cllr Foxwell joined the meeting

2.6 Format of Bus Service: It was agreed the preferred option would be to collect passengers from the Rest and Be Thankful (R&B) Car Park, and to drop them at the Moorland Hall on returning from the valley. The bus would then also drop passengers at the R&B Car Park who did not want to go to the Moorland Hall, before collecting the next group of passengers. This option will require control of parking at the hall to ensure safe access for visitors, and suitable turning for the buses. On days when there is no Snowdrop Café, the bus driver can inform passengers that they should remain on the bus until the R&B Car park. Staff members in the R&B car park to attend to passengers leaving bus at hall as well as manage R&B car park. Clerk to confirm with Moorland Hall Committee that this is acceptable, and proceed with invites to quote once route is confirmed.

2.7 Format of Photographic Competition: Coordinator circulated proposed Terms and Conditions. Amateur Photographer – defined as not paid or not won competition before. Will rely on honesty of entrants. Juniors to be 16 and under. Closing date to be 7 February 2020 (Prop Mrs Langdon, Sec Mrs Edwards, unanimously agreed), entries to be sent to Rest and Be Thankful Inn, marked “Snowdrop Valley Photograph Competition”. Boards required to display photos. School has one. Committee members to check if they have access to any. Clerk to ask Exmoor National Park if they have any to loan. Clerk to ask Moorland Hall if the photos can be positioned and displayed throughout the 2 weeks of Snowdrop Café. Winner to be announced on final day – 23 February 2019 (Prop Mrs Langdon, Sec Mrs Edwards, unanimously agreed). Committee to allot prizes after closing on 22 February 2019. Rest and Be Thankful Inn will provide prize. Exmoor House may provide a prize. 1st to 3rd in each of 4 categories (Flora, fauna, landscape, junior) can go into calendar. Clerk to confirm if cover of Exmoor Visitor would have overall winner as cover. Committee members to take on setting up and running competition so does not add to Coordinator’s hours.

2.8 Additional Souvenirs: Coordinator has researched – National Trust confirm most popular souvenirs are postcards, fridge magnets, coasters, scarves. Already have all these, except scarves. Mrs White to ask Cutcombe WI if they may be interested in making scarves to be sold – price would need to cover their own costs and make small contribution to Snowdrop Valley.

2.9 Items for Next Agenda: Allocate jobs for running the photographic competition

2.10 Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 10 September 2019 at 7pm in the Moorland Hall

The Chairman closed the meeting at 7.30 pm