Minutes of the Meeting held at 7.30pm on Tuesday 15th October 2013 at the Moorland Hall

Present: Councillors Roger Webber (*Chairman*), Linda Atkins, Eric Clarbull and Marlene Allinson (*Parish Clerk*), W Somerset Cllr Steven Pugsley.

193.1 Public Question Time: no items raised.

193.2 Apologies of Absence: Cllrs Tim Gardner, John Davis

and Chris Harding; Co Cllr Frances Nicholson.

192.3 Declarations of Interest:

Item No	Councillor	Nature	Reason	Action Taken
7	Webber	Personal and public perception		Left the room for discussion

193.4 Minutes: The minutes of the meeting held on 17th September 2013 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a true record. **Matters Arising:** None.

193.5 1932.5.1 Planning Applications: 6/8/13/107 Rowan Cottage, Higher Park Lane: proposed erection of a greenhouse: As Cllr Webber declared an interest in this item the meeting was not quorate. Therefore under Standing Order 1(y) as adopted July 2012 the decision on this matter was delegated to the Clerk after consultation with those Cllrs present. 193.5.2 Other Planning Matters: Forestry Commission Consultation Thorn Farm SS900 380 planting of 0.59 ha of native broadleaves: welcomed. 6/8/13/105 and 6/8/13/106 Wheddon Cross Garage: retention of ATM and signage: granted.

193.6 Highways: <u>WX Crossroads</u>: Co Cllr Nicholson requested a meeting re the crossroads: the Clerk to arrange; <u>Hedge opposite the school</u>: Cllr Webber to investigate who is responsible for cutting as overgrown. <u>Road Sweeper</u>: missed parts of Cutcombe: due to parking? The Clerk to investigate. <u>Flooding:</u> Luckwell Bridge to Exford Road reported.

193.7 To select a contractor for Grass Cutting in the Playing Field: three tenders had gone out, two received back. Due to the small number of Councillors at this meeting it was

agreed to defer any decision regarding selection of a contractor to a later meeting. The Clerk to arrange a public meeting in November to discuss the Precept Budget and items relating to the Moorland Hall and a meeting of the Finance Working Group as soon as possible to work on the 2014/15 precept budget.

- **193.8 Finance**: **193.8.1** It was agreed (retrospectively) to pay £284 to Somerset County Council for the SV Park and Ride road closure (2 years): the Clerk to invoice ENPA for reimbursement. **193.8.2** It was agreed to pay £50 for Cllr Atkins to attend a SALC course on "Being a Better Councillor". **193.8.3** It was agreed to pay £9.80 to the Moorland Hall for room hire (these last 2 items to be on next month's Agenda as retrospective payments).
- 193.9 Correspondence and Meetings: 193.9.1 The Clerk read out an e-mail from the Moorland Hall re getting together a working group of reps from the PC and the MH to ensure that all insurance aspects are adequately covered as well as other "common ground" management items. 193.9.2 The Clerk and Cllrs Atkins and Webber to attend as reps from the PC. The Clerk to arrange with the MH Committee. Cllr Atkins and the Clerk reported on a SV Park and Ride meeting earlier that evening. Cllr Webber had attended a meeting of the Moorland Hall Committee. Cllr Webber read out a letter of resignation from Cllr Ros Simons: she is happy to stay on the SV Steering Group. Cllr Webber expressed his thanks to her for her work whilst a member onf the Parish Council.
- **193.10 Items for the next Agenda:** retrospective cheques as at 193.8.2 and 193.8.3 above. Report of the Finance Working Group.

There being no other business the meeting closed at 9.10pm. The next meeting of Cutcombe Parish Council will be held on Tuesday 19th November 2013 at 7.30pm in The Moorland Hall. All are warmly invited.