MONYASH PARISH COUNCL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 13th MAY 2024

1. Present Councillors White, Mudford, A.Woolley, P.Woolley and Corble.

2. Apologies. Resolved to note that there were no apologies for absence.

3. Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of 2023 – agreed and signed.

4.Chair's Report

Welcome to the Annual Parish Meeting.

It is especially pleasing to see members of our community here tonight.

Over the past 12 months we have prioritised key findings from the surveys and worked with stakeholders to seek and enable change for the benefit of all.

The visibility of the Council to residents is paramount.

Social events at the Village Hall have been arranged by councillors with direct support from residents.

Admittedly some were more popular than others, but the aim of bringing residents closer together was achieved.

We are committed to continuing with these events.

I believe there is another Quiz Night in the offing.

The first one being our most popular event.

I thank Cllr Mudford for her tireless efforts to bring the village together.

The Parish Council work tirelessly to enhance the lives of Monyash residents.

We have further improved communication between residents and individual councillors.

The Resident Contact Form has been a great success and has allowed the Council to deal with matters ourselves or signpost quickly to relevant agencies.

We have recently started the process of tackling parking issues in and around Monyash.

Plans are progressing, albeit at any early stage, to develop the area around the Lathkill toilet block into a car park to hopefully relieve parking pressure within the village.

We are also hoping to develop the layby area just beyond the toilet blocks as a formal parking area.

We also hope to reposition the Air Ambulance clothing banks to free up some space for a small number of vehicles. (none of the banks will be removed.)

I accept these are ambitious plans but it is good to set ourselves challenging targets and I know the Councillors are up to the task.

Of course, Rome wasn't built in a day and we will try our best in all we do.

The key thing around all these plans will be the involvement of the community in the process.

A great example of community spirit has been the recent actions taken regarding the potholes that have blighted Monyash recently.

The community really came together in a common cause and succeeded in getting the authorities to take immediate action.

However, there is more work to be done and I am sure we will all pull together in the same way as before.

I wish to thank my amazing fellow councillors and Parish Clerk for all their support, encouragement and belief in myself as the Chair of the Monyash Parish Council.

It isn't all plain sailing, as others will attest to.

I am extremely proud to lead the Council and assure Monyash that we will always give of our best .

It is a privilege indeed.

5. Items from the residents

Complaint received regarding the moving of a rubbish bin and the failure to include this in the minutes.

Discussions took place regarding requesting a Belly Bin for the Village.

Report of pot holes in front of the pub, which is a Highway. Reports of vehicles parked on the footpath and also on the village green. Ongoing problems of this nature from 2019.

Reports of a slippy grass verge which is being driven on. Advised that this is the responsibility of DCC Highways.

War Memorial – queries were raised regarding the issue of work needing to be done on the memorial.

The meeting closed at 7pm