Minutes of the Meeting of Mappleton Parish Council held on Thursday 14th July 2016 at 7.30pm

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Cllrs approved the Minutes.

16/40 Apologies for Absence

Cllrs Deacon, Duckmanton, Jones and Washer were in attendance.

16/41 Declarations of Members' interest

There were no declarations of interest.

16/42 Public Participation

1 member of the public attended – he expressed concerns regarding the number of coaches taking visitors to Ilam and Thorpe, which come through Okeover Park and turn left to go up Yerley Hill as the road isn't suitable for these vehicles. It was also suggested that the Parish Council should invite newcomers to the Parish Council meeting to encourage their involvement.

16/43 Report from Police Community Support Officer (PCSO)

Adam Hine PCSO, covers Ashbourne and gave an update on Mappleton. There has only been one call for service in Mappleton since April – an anti social behaviour issue. The parish is generally quiet. Cllr Deacon asked about speeding in the parish. PCSO Hine suggested he put the Parish Council in touch with Speed Watch. Cllrs also raised the issue of the missing road sign near The Haven – PCSO Hine will lease with DCC. Cllrs thanked Adam for attending.

16/44 Highways

Damaged gully

Cllr Duckmanton said that repairs were apparently in hand – Highways will repair the pipe and then Severn Trent will tarmac from the road to the sewage works and clear the ditch. *Action: Cllr Duckmanton to monitor*

16/45 Maintenance / Rights of Way

Cllr Duckmanton had reported that FP 6 was blocked by fencing. The Clerk contacted Neil Hogbin at Fisher German, who has asked the tenant to look into this as a matter of priority. *Action: Cllr Deacon to monitor* Cllr Deacon said that Ben Evans was no longer available for maintenance work. *Action: Clerk to contact Dave Nash re clearing vegetation*

16/46 Finance

Bank Balance - £2,391.60

Invoices & Cheques presented for signing

000150 - £163.86 F Raistrick (wages-May/June/stationery/web host renewal) **Signatory Rights for Clirs**

Cllrs Duckmanton and Washer to complete forms and return to Clerk.

16/47 Planning Applications

None.

16/48 Parish Council – Projects

Cllr Jones expressed concerns about the bench – as it's recycled it looks like plastic and parishioners may not appreciate it. The Clerk clarified the budget for the bench and reminded Cllrs that as the Parish Council is likely to lose the Minor Maintenance allowance from next year. Cllrs agreed to hold off buying the bench and consider how best to spend the money – it may be better value for the parish to spend it on hedge trimming and strimming. The parishioner in attendance said they would prefer it if the village was kept tidy.

16/49 Correspondence

There was no correspondence.

16/50 Any other business / Items for the next Agenda

None

16/51 Date of the next meeting

Thursday 8th September 2016.