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HELD IN THE HALL, ON JANUARY 15TH AT 8 p.m 2020.

PRESENT: Cllr T. Chapman Chairman

Cllr N. Williams Vice Chairman

Cllr J Clark

Cllr D Roach

Cllr K Waters

CLERK: A J Ives

PUBLIC: One

1. **WELCOME.** No Apologies.
2. **DECLARATIONS** None
3. **PUBLIC FORUM** none
4. **DISPLAY CABINETS FOR ALDWORTH SATURDAY MARKET.**
Kathy Neville (Member of the Public) introduced her request for a Grant from the Parish Council, for display equipment. The total came to £195.88 and after hearing their proposed use, it was unanimously agreed to fund the whole amount. A cheque from Barclays was raised in the sum of £200 and given to Kathy.
5. **MINUTES** of the 8th July 2019 were agreed and signed by the Chairman. The Clerk said that it was a pity the Meeting in October had been cancelled, due to lack of a Quorum.
6. No 6 Ambury Road has overflowing sewage from the drains. The Clerk will action by contacting James Pye at West Berks Council, tomorrow morning.
7. **BUDGET AND PRECEPT:** after an in depth view of the Budget it was agreed to keep the Precept the same £7500.pa.
8. **CLERKS SALARY** it was agreed to increase from £9.55 to £10.16 per hour. This is as per NALC suggestion.
9. **Bank Move to Barclays:** A cheque was raised from TSB in the sum of £10k, to be paid into Barclays this week. The Clerk will write to Public Loans Board, regarding the direct debit (£600) due in May. She will also cancel her standing order (salary) at TSB, as it will altered (see above). The amount left in TSB is £755.48 The amount in Barclays will be £10,830.37. Less cheques raised ASM £200, Internal Auditor £50.
10. **PLANNING.** There was a discussion about Planning Application19/02198/FUL at Westridge Manor, where 56.2 metres of solar panels had been applied for on the south boundary of this listed building. No direct reference had been made to these in the description on the orange planning notices outside the property, nor on the description

presented to the Parish Council. The Parish Council's attention was only drawn to them when an amendment was made by the Council on the Decision Notice. The Parish Council will write to the Planning Department.

11. Litter picking for the Village has been arranged by Cllr N Williams for April 5th at 11 1.m. All equipment will be available.

12. **Further discussions** took place on Westridge matters.

13. **Next Meeting** will be March 4th 2020. Electors welcome

Chairman  Date... 4 - 3 - 20