KINLET PARISH COUNCIL.

ANNUAL PARISH MEETING held on Monday May 9th 2022 commencing at 8.00 p.m.

PRESENT:- Mr P. Kirton, Mr. P. Horsfall, Mr C. Lloyd, Mrs J. Rowley, Mr P. Robinson, Mr. K. Shepherd and Mrs J. Burgess (Clerk)

- **1. APOLOGIES** were received from Mr. D. Haywood, Mrs M. Quick, Mrs J. Haywood, Mrs A. Raymond, Mr. R. Crawford, Mr S. Harris and Mr. G. Butler
- **2. MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING 2021.** These had been circulated to all councillors and copies were available on the website. It was taken as read and approved after having been proposed and seconded.
- 3. MATTERS ARISING. No matters were raised.
- **4. ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL REPORT 2021/22.** This also had been circulated to all councillors and was on the website. It was taken as read and approved after being proposed and seconded.

5. ORGANISATIONS REPORTS.

- **a. Women's Institute.** Mrs Haywood's report advised the re-commencement of meetings in July 2021 with an average of 14 to 15 members present and a steady membership of 18 full members. They had welcomed various speakers from a wide range of topics and continued to enjoy the friendship offered in the W.I.
- **b. Kinlet Village Hall.** Mr. Haywood advised a busy year with lot of bookings and a healthy balance sheet largely due to grants from Shropshire Council to compensate for Covid over the past 2 years. The electrical work outside were now completed and work on the driveway due to commence shortly with financial support from the Parish Council and The Kabin towards the cost. Members and volunteers had painted all the walls inside during the year. They continued to meet on the first Monday of each month and needed new members to come forward with fresh input and urged younger ones to come along as they wanted to see what they could offer.
- **c. School.** Mrs. Raymond's report spoke of the resumption of working together in a range of activities together with a link with a School in Tanzania and sporting events at Lacon Childe School, swimming lessons at Highley Pool and cricket lessons together with circus skills planned for next term. Instrumental lessons were provided by Shropshire Music Service and they had been actively raising funds and donations for the Ukraine appeal and held a non-uniform day when they were amazed by the contributions and donations received. There had been a Nativity Play, a visit from Father Christmas, World Book Day, Red Nose Day, E-Safety Day, Mental Well-being Day and Children in Need.

New security gates, which included CCTV cameras had been installed and plans were in hand to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee with a Time Capsule, planting of a fruit tree and an afternoon tea.

- **d.** Countryside Group. This was in the process of being re-formed to carry out the very useful work of footpath, styles etc. maintenance and repair.
- **e. Neighbourhood Watch.** Mr R. Crawford's report advised that Kinlet once again continued to be a low crime Parish with the KPNW continuing to highlight potential problems with an awareness campaign. There was now a co-ordinator team of 6 and the updating of the 'criminal beware' signage had been undertaken.
- Mr. Crawford intended to resign as KPNW Chief Co-ordinator and was looking for a volunteer to take on the post he would continue to support the KPNW as a Button Oak resident in any way he could.
- **f. Bridge Club.** From the Autumn of 2021 the Club had been back to meeting fortnightly in the Village Hall on alternate Mondays. There were usually at least 3 tables playing and occasionally 5 tables. They played to ACOL rules with Chicago scoring and for something a little more competitive they had ventured into one session of Duplicate Bridge. They welcomed players of all abilities and very pleasant afternoons were enjoyed by all with a break for tea and biscuits.
- **g.** Cleobury Youth Partnership. There was a meeting every other month on a Monday to talk about any youth matters in the area with Madge Shineton in the chair, Councillor Simon Harris, a Police Constable and Scout, Guide and Football representatives along with others including a member of Shropshire Council Youth Team at the last meeting. Mr. Haywood had resigned as Vice Chairman and had done his best to give up as Treasurer!
- **h. St. John the Baptist Church.** The Church Wardens had provided a very comprehensive report in relation to Finances, the PCC, Fabric and Churchyard, Volunteers, Music, Clergy Services and Attendance, Kinlet School association, the Way Ahead, Action and Summary. (A full copy of the Churchwardens' Report for the year had been circulated to councillors and a copy can be provided upon request from them or the Clerk)
- **i. St. Mary's Youth Project.** Details concerning their activities during the year had been provided together with a Financial Report and Summary Accounts. (*This report had been circulated to councillors and a copy can be provided upon request from the clerk*)

6. SHROPSHIRE COUNCILLORS' REPORTS.

A very comprehensive report covering the year had been submitted by Mr. G. Butler and Mr S. Harris and covered all aspects of Shropshire Council's activities during the year. Copies of this had been circulated to councillors during the month. (*Copies of the report can be provided upon request from them or the clerk*)

- **7. ANY OTHER BUSINESS.** No matters were raised.
- **8. CHAIRMAN'S CLOSING REMARKS.** Mr. Kirton closed the meeting by thanking the clerk for her hard work during the year and also the councillors for their interest and commitment during the year.

The meeting closed at approximately 8.20 p.m (*These Minutes have yet to formally approved*)