Gladestry Community Council

Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on Monday 18 May 2020 at 7.00pm in Gladestry Village Hall

Present

Mr Derrick Carrington (Chairman), Mr Ian Ball, Mr Gareth Croose, Mr Joseph Alman, Mr Viv Lloyd and Mr Kenneth Waugh (Clerk).

1. Apologies.

Ms Jane Bisby sent her apologies for non-attendance.

2. Minutes.

Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 20 May 2019 had been agreed at the Ordinary Meeting held on 15 July 2019.

3. Matters Arising.

None.

4. Chairman's Report.

See report, below.

5. Financial Report.

The Clerk referred Councillors to the end of year financial statement which showed a carry forward balance of £3175. The auditors were advised that £2100 of this carry over was earmarked for a grant towards the village hall redecoration and refurbishment, and funds to assist with the maintenance of the play area now that Powys CC had relinquished responsibility. He advised that Frank Mullin, the local auditor, had completed his work, and Councillors had already been provided with a copy of his report; the administrative issues raised by Frank would be discussed at the Ordinary Meeting which would follow.

To complete our audit processes, Derrick completed the Annual Governance Statement, which had been copied to Councillors prior to the meeting; all relevant sections were noted in the affirmative. This completed the audit process for this year.

6. Election of Officers.

Joseph proposed Derrick to complete the second year of his 2 year term as Chairman; Gareth seconded, and all were in favour.

Joseph proposed Ian to complete his second year as Vice Chairman; Gareth seconded, and all were in favour.

<u>7. A.O.B.</u>

There was no other business.

8. Next Meeting.

The next Annual Meeting will be held on Monday 17 May 2021.

Gladestry Community Council Chairman's Report May 2020

First of all I would like to thank my fellow councillors for their support during the

year, and to thank Ian for acting as Vice Chairman.

I also thank Cllr. Jones once again for attending our meetings when able, and

supporting the Council, providing a direct link to the County Council.

Thanks also to our Clerk and for all his hard work and support over the year and to

whom most of the burden of the Community Council falls.

Thanks are also due once again to Frank Mullin for continuing to act as our local auditor, whose fresh perspective is as always very welcome.

The Community web site continues to be a valuable resource, and thanks are due to

Bob Terry for continuing his role in maintaining the site.

We have now put in place a set of Standing Orders and Financial Regulations for the

Community Council, formalising our normal conduct of business. This has proved

necessary to satisfy the increasing burden of the Audit requirements. Once again I

must thank Kenneth for his work in drafting the orders to our requirements.

Although Highways have reduced their spending in general, the decision to resurface the road through the centre of Gladestry, without

notice or consultation seems

extraordinary and the Community Council has queried this, so far with little response. As usual we have continued to maintain the practice of giving small grants to local organisations, and I hope this will continue as a matter of course.

The current year has, of course, proved difficult for us all and I hope things will return to normal as soon as possible..

Derrick Carrington May 2020