

## **DRAFT MINUTES OF PIDDLTRENTHIDE VILLAGE MEETING**

**17 APRIL 2018**

**Present:** Cllrs Mailer, Coombes, Murray, Cox, Abbott, Sherwood

**Apologies:** Cllr Howard

### 1. Buses

Cllr Mailer explained the current situation with the bus service. There has not been enough demand to justify a commercial bus. The DCC bus on a Wednesday will continue for now but this bus does not accept bus passes. Nordcat can provide a service that will accept bus passes but the request must be for a minimum of 6 people otherwise it is not a viable service.

Residents object to being dictated to as to when they can travel as it is not always convenient. Post Office monies are not available until Thursday so the current bus service does not help. A lot of disappointment was expressed with the lack of services.

Cllr Cox reiterated the lack of response to the questionnaires.

Cllr Mailer quoted the challenge Parish Councils can legally do and has done. A request was made to change the bus service from a Wednesday to a Friday.

Cllr Mailer confirmed that only one resident signed up for the Nordcat service.

2. A Community car scheme is an option but drivers are required. Buckland Newton, Cerne Abbas and Puddletown have a scheme in place and Cllr Mailer would like to work with them to give a wider range of drivers.

Any volunteers should contact any of the Parish Councillors.

The drivers of the scheme do get paid and the finer details are yet to be clarified but this won't happen until the need for a scheme is agreed.

Cllr Mailer informed the meeting that no response has been received from the questionnaire and that costs could be high if drivers from outside the village sign up.

The criteria for the drivers does include, informing your insurance company that you are a driver for a community scheme and this should not affect your premium. The scheme does provide a driver registration form with a template letter to send to your insurance company.

Volunteer drivers do not have to commit to every journey requested.

### 3. Defibrillators

Cllr Mailer gave an update on these and explained the Village Emergency Telephone System (VETS) which is used by someone needing to deploy one of defibrillators but unable to leave the patient so can ring a number which will then make contact with one of volunteers to go and collect the defibrillator and take it to the address that needs it. A request for more volunteers was made to help make the system efficient and quick. Since the plea for volunteers was made in the News & Views, 2 people made contact. The majority of the parish councillors are on the list.

This system does not replace any other method of contacting the emergency services.

There is currently a waiting list for training so please contact the parish council if anyone would like to volunteer.

### 4. Neighbourhood Plan

The referendum is taking place on 19 April 2018.

### 5. S106 monies

Cllr Mailer gave an update on S106 monies from developers which are available and a few suggestions were made that the money assigned to Piddlehinton could be used for including, new play equipment for the Millennium Green.

### 6. Litter Pick

Volunteers are needed and a date would be set after the meeting.

## 7. Any other business

A request was made for the return of the mobile library service.

The football pavilion is not being used at all and the materials were bought to maintain it. Although Piddletrenthide football club has now folded they may have a team in the future. A resident is happy to maintain and store the pavilion.

The increase of HGV's through the village was discussed and the speed of some vehicles.

The community speed watch equipment should be added to the asset list of the Parish Council. A plea for volunteers to enable the scheme to continue was made. It is only for an hour occasionally. Please contact Neil Herbert or John Cox if interested.

Cllr Mailer reminded the meeting of the online reporting system for highway issues.

Post Office – The parish council has written to the shop to ask if an outreach system is available and wanted in the shop. Parish Council has also written to the Post Office asking if Cerne Abbas will provide an outreach system. As yet no response has been received from either.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 2033.