

**MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING OF  
THE MERRY BELLS MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE**

**HELD ON THURSDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> APRIL 2016**

**AT 7.00 PM IN THE MAIN HALL**

<b>Present:</b>	Mrs M Blake (MB) (Chairman)	Elected
	Mr T Blightman (TB) (Treasurer)	Elected
	Mrs A Davies (AD)	Elected (Temporary Secretary)
	Mr P Gregory (PG)	Parish Council Representative
	Mr N MacCormack (NM)	Elected
	Mr J Morrison (JM)	Wheatley Society Representative
	Mrs J Slade (JS)	WI Representative
	Mrs M Stayte (MS)	Senior Citizens Representative
	Four members of the public.	

**1) APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Mr D Holliday, Mr M Rogers, Mr G Ewbank and Miss Stanley

**2) AGREE THE MINUTES OF THE AGM, THURSDAY 28<sup>TH</sup> APRIL 2015**

The minutes were agreed as a true record.

**3) MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

None

**4) CHAIRMAN'S REPORT**

MB read her report. Roger Bell noted that the scaffolding around the building had been up for a long time and that there rarely seemed to be anyone working on the building. MB noted that the protective sheeting around the scaffolding did conceal activity.

TB reported that good progress had been made on the work. The roofing had been finished with the exception of the front roof where solar panels were being considered. The windows were prepared for painting. He stated that the scaffolding was expected to remain for another month.

Roger Bell asked whether the maintenance would include the exterior Christmas lighting. MB noted that in the past there had been complaints from residents about the brightness of the lights but that the committee was looking to assess them for the next festive season.

Roger Bell asked the costs involved with the work. TB reported that three quotes had come in very close at around £34,000 based on what could be seen. However, once the contractors started it emerged that the front roof would need completely stripping, re-felting and re-tiling adding approximately £6,000 extra to the cost. This prompted TB to consider installing solar panels and planning permission has been applied for.

TB noted that regardless of work progress, the scaffolding would be removed in time for the Queen's 90<sup>th</sup> birthday celebrations.

The Chairman's report was received with thanks.

**5) RECEIVE THE EXAMINED ACCOUNTS**

Copies of the examined accounts were distributed. TB walked those present through the documents.

MB proposed, JM seconded that the examined accounts be accepted. All agreed.

**6) TREASURER'S REPORT**

Copies of the report were available. TB talked those present through the report. No questions arose.

**7) TO ELECT UPTO FIVE MEMBERS TO THE COMMITTEE**

Being only five nominations for election to the committee, no voting was necessary. The following were elected:

Mrs Mary Blake, Mr T Blightman, Mrs. A Davies, Mr N McCormack, Miss M Stanley.

**8) ANY OTHER RELEVANT BUSINESS**

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 7:25PM