Minutes of a special meeting of Llanfair Waterdine Parish Council on Tuesday 20th December 2016, Everest Hall

Present

Cllr Barry Swancott (Chair), Cllr Andrew Beavan (Vice Chair), Cllr Richard Lewis, Cllr Mark Hughes and Sarah Jameson (Clerk)

Public: Mr Robert Gwilt

- 1. The meeting opened at 8pm. The special meeting had been convened to fill two vacancies:
 - i) Trustee to Llanfair Waterdine Community Trust and ii) to co-opt a member to the Parish Council.
- 2. **Apologies for absence:** Cllr Roger Thomas; Cllr Janet Lewis
- 3. **Declarations of interest:** Cllr Beavan (re Item 6 below)

4. Appointment of Trustee to Llanfair Waterdine Community Trust.

Robert Gwilt had submitted an application for the position and had attended a brief interview immediately prior to this special meeting. Proposal that Mr Gwilt be accepted as a Trustee of the Community Trust was made by Cllr Hughes. Seconded by Cllr Lewis. All agreed. Mr Gwilt (present) was congratulated and thanked for his application.

5. Co-option of Member to Parish Council.

The Councillor post had been previously advertised as required with no applications received, so the Council was free to progress with co-option. Mr Roy Lloyd had been a previous applicant and was known still to be interested. He had been unable to attend the meeting tonight, but as a well-known member of the parish, it was decided to proceed with no interview meeting. Proposal that Mr Lloyd be co-opted as a Member to the Council was made by Cllr Lewis. Seconded by Cllr Beavan. All agreed.

6. Planning application – Black Hall - 16/05599/VAR

The meeting was briefly adjourned to consider plans received that day for an application at Black Hall. Since the application carried a comment deadline of 4th January, the Council felt it prudent to consider the matter at the special meeting with the decision being formally ratified/amended at the next scheduled full Parish Council meeting in January.

Cllr Beavan, who had declared an interest, briefly explained the application and left the meeting while the matter was discussed. The planning application represents a Variation of Condition and amounts to the removal of 6 camping pods on the Black Hall site to be replaced by 6 one-bed lodges and conversion of the nearby amenity block to 2 lodges. All to be used as holiday lets. Council members felt they understood the reasons for the application and fully supported it, in terms of providing local employment and attracting visitors to the area. Proposal that the application be approved was made by Cllr Hughes. Seconded by Cllr Swancott. All agreed. Cllr Swancott to draft a comment to add to the council planning portal very shortly.

7. The meeting was closed at 8.30pm