

MINUTES of an ExtraOrdinary Meeting of Cradley Parish Council held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> January 2012 in Cradley Village Hall at 7.30pm.

PRESENT – C. Lowder (in the Chair- CL) K. Nason (KN) F. Beard (FB) W. Harries (WH) A. Eldridge (AE) E. Moseley (EM) A. Symondson (AS) C. Smith (CS) T.Lloyd Jones (TLJ) R. Diamond (RD) S. Adam (SA) and B. Gordon (BG).

APOLOGIES for inability to attend the meeting were received from S. Davies and M. Brooksbank for business reasons and from M. Allfrey for personal reasons.

ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION -

BUDGET/PRECEPT for 2012/13 – Draft proposals in a new form for easier understanding of various finances were circulated and discussed, resulting in a proposed Precept for 2012/13 of £24,000.

RESOLVED – On a proposal by L seconded by FB and carried these proposals were accepted as drawn and signed by the Chairman. Copy attached.

A VOTE OF THANKS was expressed to Ken Nason for the excellent presentation of the figures and also to the Clerk for budgeting figures.

CHAPEL LANE PLAY AREA – Plans were circulated for discussion showing proposals to divide the play area into three zones -

- **zone 1** for a play area – including some planting of fruit trees.
- **zone 2** for recreation/agriculture area at no cost to the council
- **zone 3** as an adventure area which would be constructed with soil at no cost to the Parish and the hire of a mini digger and dump truck has also been arranged at no cost to the council at this stage, and drivers for all machinery have donated their time FOC to get the project underway. In addition, on the hard standing area in the centre of the track there will be some benches and litter bins, details of pricing and specification being obtained.

Councillors were advised the proposed work would not entail any expenditure of the funds remaining available from Herefordshire Council and RESOLVED on a proposal by AE, seconded by FB and carried it was agreed the work should be proceeded with with all speed, with regular updates back to Council how the matter was proceeding.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed at 8.08.

C. Lowder

13<sup>th</sup> March 2012

Signed..... Chairman. Dated.....

