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Minutes of the meeting of Bleadon Parish Council held in the Coronation Hall, Bleadon, which commenced at 1.00pm on Wednesday 25th May 2016 when the following business was transacted.

Present Councillors C Gutsell (Chair), I D Clarke, R Dobson, M Edwards, P Gibbons, and the locum clerk T. Jay.

Cllr S Hartree joined the meeting at agenda item 285.4.

No members of the public were present.

285.1 To receive any apologies for non-attendance

Apologies were received from Cllrs D Chinn and M Shepherd. Cllr S Hartree had indicated that he would be arriving late.

285.2 To receive any declarations of interest in items on this agenda

Cllr Clarke declared a non-pecuniary interest in agenda item 285.3, and asked that the Chair grants her a dispensation to take part in the debate and vote. This was granted.

To discuss the financial arrangements between the Parish Council and the Hall Committee regarding the development work at the halls.

The Chair gave a brief overview of the planned developments. The 1938 trust deed states that the Church gave the land and the building to the Parish of Bleadon. The Parish Council appointed a Village Hall management committee to run the building. Therefore, the Parish Council owns the land and the building, but the Village Hall management committee runs it. The hall funds will be used to carry out the refurbishment work, but the Parish Council have agreed to donate up to £20,000 to make up any shortfall. The internal auditor has advised that if the work is commissioned in the name of the Parish Council, and they receive the invoices then the VAT can be reclaimed.

Resolved that two members of the Parish Council join with two members of the Village Hall management committee to form a working group to manage the building project. The Parish Council's representatives will be the Chair and Cllr R Dobson.

To confirm the members who will carry out the shortlisting for the position of Parish Clerk, and who will form the interview panel.

Resolved that the shortlisting panel and the interview panel will comprise of the Chair and Clirs I D Clarke, R Dobson, M Edwards and S Hartree.

285.5 To discuss the pension arrangements for all staff.

The Chair informed the meeting that she had completed all the required documentation, and had written to the village ranger to advise him of his pension rights.

The Chair will also write to the new Parish Clerk when appointed.

The meeting closed at 1.25pm.