**Hewelsfield and Brockweir Parish Council**

SUMMARY of Minutes Tuesday 2nd January 2018

**Present:** Cllr. Fox,Cllr. Harris, Cllr. Bowen, Cllr. Endersby, Cllr. Sinfield, Cllr. Haythornthwaite. Four members of the public were present.

Parishioners objected to the change of use application for The Rock and there is a situation now where vehicles are parked outside the property, some in a dangerous manner.

The presentation on wildflowers was postponed until the February meeting.

The precept for 2018/19 was agreed at £8558.58 which represents an increase of 4.76%. A vote was taken and was unanimous

P1887/17/FUL – The Rock, Mill Hill, Brockweir. Change of use from holiday let to dual purpose.

Councillors echoed concerns of parishioners that the property was being used for residential purposes and has not been advertised for holiday letting. If permission was granted it was felt that this would set a precedent and more applications would follow for the same permission. Councillor Endersby confirmed that the first action the Parish Council took following parishioners complaints was to refer this matter to the Enforcement Officer. Councillors decided that our objection should be upheld and a response sent to the District Council including a comment on the roadside parking situation.

P1901/17/FUL –Pear Tree Cottage, Brockweir Road, Hewelsfield. Erection of conservatory &

veranda. Councillors had no comment to make on this application.

P1943/17/FUL –Hewelsfield Lodge, Brockweir Road, Hewelsfield. Retrospective alterations to

existing dwelling to provide porch, veranda, conversion of loft space and associated alterations.

Proposed garden shed. Councillors had no comment to make on this application.

APP/.../3188851- P1243/17/FUL- Planning Appeal. Hopewell Barn, Hewelsfield. Change of use to residential. Councillors decided by a vote of 5 to 1 that no response should be made to this appeal.

APP/P1615/W/17/3177951- P1102/16/FUL- Gregory Farm, Brockweir

The commissioned report from Hydrogeo was accepted and would be submitted to the Inspector and put on the Parish Council website.

The draft report prepared by Councillor Sinfield was agreed and will be submitted to the Inspector, copied to Stephen Colegate and Councillor Patrick Molyneux.

Parishioner views were expressed concerning:

* “affordable housing” not remaining affordable.
* The blight on the landscape has been created by the site owner
* Councillor Fox stated that a survey of affordable housing had been carried out and the result was 3.5 houses were needed and that this survey would be sent to the Inspector.
* Councillor Endersby confirmed that the tentative site visit date is 22nd January 2018 and that it will be an unescorted visit. Councillor Endersby confirmed she had written to the Case Officer requesting that the Parish Council attend the site visit, a reply has yet to be received

All other agenda items were deferred until February meeting

**The date of the next meeting is Tuesday 6th February 2018.**