

**STEEP PARISH COUNCIL**

**CHAIRMAN:** Mrs. Caroline Robinson

**CLERK:** Mrs. Jenny Hollington

**Minutes of an Extraordinary Parish Council Meeting held on Monday, 7<sup>th</sup> October 2013 at Steep Village Hall at 7.30 p.m.**

**Present:**

Cllrs.	Caroline Robinson (in the Chair)	Terry Cook
	Simon Bridger	Jenny Martin
	Peter Cruttenden	Jim MacDonald
	Peter Thackrey	

**In Attendance:** Clerk - Jenny Hollington

There were 9 members of the public in attendance throughout the meeting.

13/128 **APOLOGIES:** Cllrs. Nick Hurst and Charles Gibson

13/129 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** - The Chairman reminded Councillors that any interests should be recorded as necessary.

13/130 **PUBLIC COMMENT** –

More information was requested of the Parish Council in respect of the new Scheme for the land held in trust to be approved at this meeting.

The Chairman explained that the new Trustees of the charitable land have asked the Charity Commission to consider a change to the name and objects of the Charity to “The Steep Charity” and “to assist those in need in the parish of Steep and the adjoining area”.

The Charity Commission had set out the steps that the new Trustees would be asked to address in order to enable this to be considered in their letter of 17<sup>th</sup> April and, as part of this, have requested confirmation that the Parish Council have agreed to apply for the scheme.

The Trustees’ letter in response to the Charity Commission explains how they have addressed the issues raised and this was summarised and read to members of the public for clarification.

The wording “adjoining area” was queried and the Chairman explained that this would be at the Trustees discretion and was because the Trustees did not wish to discriminate against a person who lived just outside of the Parish or, for example, a child attending Steep School.

Members of the public agreed that they felt they now understood the situation and were content with what they had heard.

13/131 **TO AGREE THE NEW SCHEME FOR THE LAND HELD IN TRUST**

The Chairman referred Councillors to the letter from the Charity Commission to the new Trustees dated 17<sup>th</sup> April and the response from the Chairman of the new Trustees of the land (previously circulated) which set out their decision to apply for a new Scheme (as above).

It was unanimously AGREED that Steep Parish Council would support the application for a new scheme for the land held in trust as proposed by the new Trustees.

13/132 **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** – Monday, 4<sup>th</sup> November at 7.30 p.m.