## Minutes of RCI meeting Wednesday $22^{nd}$ August 2018 at 7.30 pm at Briars Cottage, Tracebridge

- 1. Welcome:
- 2. <u>Present</u>: Michael Parkinson (Mike, chair), Cilla Newsom (CN), Martin Perry (Martin), John Hannon (JH), Judy Webb (JW)
- 3. Apologies: Pauline Wood (PW), Jane Embleton (JE), Dermot Gascoyne (DG)
- 4. <u>Correspondence:</u> None
- 5. Minutes of the last meeting: They were agreed and signed.
- 6. <u>Accounts</u>: The Treasurer's Report was submitted showing a total credit balance of £1764.30 reflecting balances as follows:

RCI £591.00 Active Living £650.35 Youth Club £522.95

Discussion about the Youth Club money resulted in no particular decision; it had been offered to Elaine McNicholas but was still available for an appropriate youth project.

7. Resolution to change status to CIO

The situation regarding the charitable status of the RCI was currently untenable because the Company Registration, which was required when the RCI was originally set up, had been terminated some years ago. Under the Charities Act 2011, we were now eligible for registration as a Charitable Incorporated Organisation (CIO). MP had drawn up a new constitution and a resolution to

Change the status of the Stawley Rural Community Initiative to a Charitable Incorporated Organisation was therefore

Proposed by MP

Seconded by JH

And carried unanimously

The application, with the new constitution, which in itself conferred no financial liability on trustees would now be submitted to the Charity Commission. A meeting of the current and proposed trustees would be held on  $31^{\rm st}$  August 2018 at 14:30 hours. MP was thanked for his work in drawing up the new constitution and completing the application process.

- 8. <u>Defibrillators:</u> JW reported that a meeting with herself, MP and PW had been held to initiate the Lottery Grant application for the purchase of 3 defibrillators to be placed in Ashbrittle, Kittisford and Bathealton. Suitable potentials sites had been identified but needed to be confirmed. An up to date quotation had been obtained from the Community Heartbeat Trust (CHT) who had advised that Taunton Deane Borough Council were likely to agree to a grant of £500 for each defibrillator purchased through CHT. The Lottery Grant application would include funding for the Village Emergency Telephone System (VETS). A meeting of JW, MP and PW to finalise the application, would be held on 31st August 2018 at 14:30 hours
- 9. Reports:

Lunch club, Walking Group, Oil Group, Walks Project and Cook Book were all reported to be going well

- 10. The Welcome Pack was being distributed to all newcomers by MP
- 11. OS References project was continuing
- 12. AOB: None
- 13. The next meeting would take place at 7.30pm on Wednesday 21st November 2018 at Chackeridge Cottage, Asbrittle.