ECCLESTON PARISH COUNCIL VILLAGE ACTIVITIES COMMITTEE

<u>MINUTES</u> of the meeting held on 27 January 2020 at the Football Changing Rooms, Drapers Avenue, Eccleston.

Present Cllrs H Thomas (Chairman), M Brown, R Burns and V Caunce.

01.20 Apologies

None received.

02.20 Disclosure of Personal/Prejudicial Interests

None declared.

03.20 Minutes of the Meeting held on 22 July 2019

Resolved: the Minutes (as circulated) were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

04.20 Committee Activities

Members considered a suggestion to extend the role of the Committee beyond simply arranging events. The recent Police meeting revealed residents could assist the Police and themselves by forming Neighbourhood Watch Schemes and it was suggested the Activities Committee could take the lead on this by arranging a meeting with the Lancashire Combined Watch Forum.

05.20 Future Events

A meeting had taken place with a representative from Heskin Hall regarding holding a VE Day Celebration Event. The representative mentioned a requirement for a marquee as being of paramount importance and a supplier had offered the hire of a 9m x 9m marquee, including a wooden floor and chairs, to the Parish Council at cost price. Suggestions put forward included 1940's - based activities including dancing and singing from the time. Stalls and vintage vehicles were also suggested. Local schools have been provisionally contacted and local organisations are to be invited to take part. Neighbouring parish councils are to be asked whether they would like to become involved.

A further meeting with representatives from Heskin Hall is to be requested.

A Lancashire Night is to be held on Saturday 28 November 2020. Enquiries are to be made regarding the availability of Bateman Hall and St Agnes' Hall. The possibility of an alternative or complimentary act is to be investigated.

As the Christmas tree was well received by residents last year, the Committee confirmed a tree will be provided this year. Members were invited to put some thought into improvements to the lights for discussion at a future meeting.

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