



WHITE NOTLEY AND FAULKBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of a meeting of White Notley and Faulkbourne Parish Council held on Tuesday 22 October 2024 at Faulkbourne Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs: Bentley, Brewster, Bright, Daniels, Guy, Harrison & Smith.
In the Chair: Cllr Bright.
Clerk: Angela Balcombe.
Also present: County Councillor Playle.

24/07. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies were received from Cllr Phillips and Cllr Sapienza.

24/08. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The minutes of 24 September 2024 were approved as a correct record of events.

Proposed: Cllr Smith. Seconded: Cllr Daniels. All agreed.

24/09. PROGRESS CHECK / ACTION PLAN.

- The Defibrillator (London Hearts) is now ready for installation at Faulkbourne
- War Memorial - ground work is currently being organised.
- Village Gateways - information for the license application has now been received.

24/10. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

To receive any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Personal and Prejudicial Interests, or Personal Interests relating to items on the agenda. No interests were declared.

Cllr Bright declared an interest in item 24/14 Application No: 24/02215/TPOCON as she works at the school.

24/11. PUBLIC FORUM.

There were no members of the public present.

24/12. REPORTS.

County Councillor Report. Vicarage Avenue pavement repair has been logged as a maintenance issue as there is no evidence of the damage. Cllr Playle agreed to log this under the Councillor pothole/pavement scheme. Bakers Lane is still closed an update is being asked for. Traffic management will be put in place in Witham Road next week. Station Road potholes - an inspection has taken place and work should start mid-November, agreed this was unacceptable. DigiGo meeting has been cancelled, Cllr Playle to chase up the meeting.

There were rumours that Bakers Lane is to be permanently closed, agreed there needs to be clear communication.

Regarding the potholes at Station Road it was suggested that some kind of protest might help. Cllr Cunningham is the Cabinet Member).

District Councillor Report. No report received.

Community Speed Watch/SID Report. Cllr Bentley gave a brief report. White Notley average speed is 33mph, the battery at the Faulkbourne SID is being monitored as it is causing problems with the data download. Thank you to everyone for their help with Speed Watch throughout the summer, a new rota will be in place next week.

24/13. FINANCE.

102414 £37.50 James Todd & Co Ltd (Payroll)

102415 £545.61 A Balcombe (Salary/PAYE/Office Expenses)

102416 £162.00 Community Heartbeat Trust (Defibrillator Annual Support Cost Year 6)

102417 £467.80 Braintree District Council (Community Transport/Dustcart Hire)

102418 £7,394.11 A & J Lighting Solutions (New Light includes UK Power Network connection cost of £5,369.76)

D/D £53.28 A & J Lighting Solutions (Lighting Maintenance)

D/D £91.28 npower Business Solutions (Electric Supply Streetlighting)

Income £25.00 Community Transport

24/14. PLANNING.

Application No: 24/02215/TPOCON. Notice of intent to carry out works to trees in a Conservation Area; fell 2 no. conifers and 1 no. elm tree.

Location: White Notley C of E Primary School, Vicarage Avenue CM8 1SA. No objections.

Application No: 24/02120/LBC. Proposed gas meter box to front elevation.

Location: 10 The Street, White Notley CM8 1RH. No objections.

24/15. NEW STREETLIGHT IN THE STREET.

The insurance claim has been settled, the new light has been installed, just awaiting connection from UK Power Networks. The road closure is for safety reasons, the UK Power Network vehicles will be parked on the road near the pole and as there is no footpath on the opposite side of the road there is no room to divert pedestrians.

24/16. DIGIGO.

The booking phone line opening hours has been extended and will now be open from 9:00am - 5:00pm, Monday to Friday (excluding bank holidays). The new phone line number will be: 0345 603 7633. The Clerk will write to DigiGo expressing residents dissatisfaction with the service and try to arrange a meeting locally.

24/17. NEWSLETTER.

Items to be included; Station Road - protest re the potholes, DigiGo issues, speeding, Carols around the tree - 7 December (ask for help decorating on 1 December), Parking on the Greenswards in Vicarage Avenue.

24/18. CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE.

None.

24/19. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

- Carols at the School for Councillors and the Community 2pm 17 December with refreshments.
- Footpaths - some have been ploughed over and a PRoW sign has been removed.

24/20. MEETING DATES 2024.

26 November (Budget Meeting), 17 December.

All meetings are on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7.30pm except December's meeting which is a week earlier.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 20.30 PM.

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN):

DATE: