WHITE NOTLEY AND FAULKBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL



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Minutes of a meeting of White Notley and Faulkbourne Parish Council held on Tuesday 23 January 2024 at White Notley Village Hall at 7.30 pm.

Present: Cllrs: Bentley, Brewster, Bright, Guy, Harrison & Smith.

In the Chair: Cllr Bright.

Clerk: Angela Balcombe.

Also present: County Cllr Playle and District Cllr Coleridge.

24/03. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies were received from Cllr Daniels, Phillips and Cllr Sapienza.

24/04. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The minutes of 19 December 2023 were approved as a correct record of events. **Proposed: Clir Brewster. Seconded: Clir Bright. All agreed.**

24/05. PROGRESS CHECK / ACTION PLAN.

No matters raised.

24/06. 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.

24/07. PUBLIC FORUM.

There were no members of the public present.

24/08. REPORTS.

County Councillor Report - Cllr Playle reported a 2.9% Council Tax rise is proposed for 2024/25. The latest bus changes have been published and Digi-go is to be extended to White Notley and Faulkbourne

District Councillor Report - apologies were received from Cllr Dervish. Cllr Coleridge gave a brief report on District Council matters; the budget is going to Cabinet on 5 February, Garden Waste Collection restarts on 3 March for those that have subscribed, the A12 widening scheme has been approved by Secretary of State, the District Council can now show a housing land supply of 5.8 years, meaning they have enough to meet the new homes targets set for the next five years against their housing requirement.

Weed clearance that was queried at the last meeting is done three times a year by the District Council.

Community Speed Watch/SID Report - Cllr Bentley gave a report; we now have three years of statistics. The average speeds have gone down slightly as has the maximum speeds and the percentage of cars travelling through.

24/09. FAULKBOURNE SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE (SID)

A longer cable for the solar panel (at least 35m) will not work as the longer the cable the less charge reaches the device. Traffic Technology advise the best option is to move the device. It was agreed to leave the device as it is for a few months as it is weather dependent.

24/10. PLAY AREA.

To consider the quotes received for the proposed new nest swing. It was agreed to accept the quote from Playquip Leisure and to apply for funding from both the District and County Council at the start of the 2024/25 financial year.

24/11. FINANCE.

102364 £34.32 James Todd & Co Ltd (Payroll)

102365 £562.91 A Balcombe (Salary//PAYE/Office Expenses)

102366 £150.00 White Notley C of E School (Donation - Quiet Garden)

102367 £62.80 Braintree District Council (Community Transport)

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

D/D £117.52 npower Business Solutions (Electric Supply Streetlighting)

Essex Air Ambulance - thank you letter for the donation of £130.00 raised at the Carols around the Tree event.

24/12. CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE.

A12 Chelmsford to A120 Widening Scheme (junctions 19 to 25) - latest news (circulated).

Residents email - signage worn away at Church Hill and Church Mead.

Email - Station Adoption Scheme.

Accident, the Street - Highways to be informed regarding the recent accident which caused the electricity to be out for over 12 hours.

24/13. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

Newsletter - the next newsletter to go out in March.

24/14. MEETING DATES 2024.

23 January, 27 February, 26 March, 23 April (Faulkbourne), 28 May (Annual Meetings), 25 June, 23 July (Faulkbourne), 24 September, 22 October (Faulkbourne), 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 20.23 PM.

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN):	DATE: