



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 NOVEMBER 2021 AT WHITE NOTLEY VILLAGE HALL AT 7.45 PM.

Present: Cllrs: Bentley, Bright, Daniels, Fisher, Guy, Harrison, Phillips & Smith.
In the Chair: Cllr Bright.
Clerk: Angela Balcombe.
Also present: County Cllr Ross Playle and one member of the public.

21/90. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies were received from Cllr Taylor.

21/91. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The minutes of 26 October 2021 were approved as a correct record of events.

Proposed: Cllr Bentley. Seconded: Cllr Guy. All agreed.

21/92. PROGRESS CHECK / ACTION PLAN.

- Station Road Leak – has now been confirmed that it is mains water leaking from a sluice valve, it is marked up for repair within a week or two.
- Faulkbourne Sign – a deposit of £697.80 has been paid by the Parish Council.
- SID Speed Reports – these have been sent to the police but they don't seem interested in receiving them.
- Bulbs – have been delivered and will be given to residents as needed.

21/93. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

To receive any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Other Pecuniary Interests, or Non-Pecuniary Interests relating to items on the agenda. No interests were declared.

21/94. PUBLIC FORUM.

Matters raised included speed of traffic in Witham Road and lack of pedestrian access in Station Road.

Cllr Guy reported on the meeting he attended with Cllr Scott (ECC) Cabinet Member for Highways.

21/95. REPORTS.

County Council – the '20's Plenty' Scheme and the Speed Reduction Scheme for The Street have been submitted to the Local Highways Panel. Policy for installing Speed Indicator Devices (SID) and Vehicle Activated Signs (VAS) has been updated making it easier for parishes to provide their own devices. The request for £3,000.00 funding for the Faulkbourne sign from the ECC Locality Fund is being processed. The Precept for 2022/23 is likely to be increased as budgets are tight.

District Council – apologies were received from Cllr White.

21/96. FINANCE.

Payments made:

102208 £11.87 White Notley Village Hall (Hire)
102209 £180.00 P H Wheaton & Co (Farms) Ltd. (Christmas Tree)
102210 £31.20 James Todd & Co. Ltd. (Payroll)
102211 £387.42 A Balcombe (Salary/Office/Expenses)
102212 £60.00 J & M Landscapes (Grass Cutting – Play Area)
102213 £59.50 Braintree District Council (Community Transport)
D/D £126.43 E-on (Street-lighting)
D/D £53.28 A & J Lighting Solutions (Lighting Maintenance)
Cash £60.00 Chairman's Allowance (Carol Singing Refreshments)

Income: £75.00 White Notley Football Club (Donation towards the Christmas tree)
£80.00 (cash) Community Transport

21/97. BUDGET / PRECEPT 2022/23.

Expenditure for 2022/23 was agreed at £16,517.00. As approx. £10,000.00 has been taken from existing reserves to pay for the upgrade of the streetlights to LED lights and the purchase of a new Speed Indicator Device (SID), it was agreed to set the Precept at £17,000.00 and top up the reserve by £483.00.

Proposed: Cllr Bright. Seconded: Cllr Guy. All agreed.

21/98. CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE.

Residents email: complaining about speed of traffic through the village.

21/99. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

- Light opposite Village Hall to be adjusted.
- The grit bins have been checked for salt.
- Parking on the greensward in Vicarage Avenue is a problem, a no parking sign to be requested from Eastlight homes.
- Parking in The Street and the lay-by partially blocking the pavement to be reported.
- A letter to be sent regarding overgrown conifers in Vicarage Avenue.
- Faulkbourne has planted 400 bulbs and have 50 trees coming from the BDC tree/bulb planting scheme.
- BDC have done litter pick through Faulkbourne.
- The Faulkbourne Village Sign has been ordered and the Parish Council thanked for their support.

21/00. MEETING DATES 2021.

21 December.

MEETING DATES 2022.

25 January, 22 February, 22 March, 26 April, 24 May (Annual Meetings), 28 June, 26 July, 27 September, 25 October, 22 November (Budget Meeting), 21 December.

All meetings are on the fourth Tuesday of the month at 7.45pm except December's meeting which is a week earlier.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 20.46 PM

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN):

DATE: