WHITE NOTLEY AND FAULKBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL



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Minutes of a meeting of White Notley and Faulkbourne Parish Council held on Tuesday 24 September 2024 at White Notley Village Hall at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllrs: Bright, Daniels, Harrison, Sapienza & Smith.

In the Chair: Cllr Bright.

Clerk: Angela Balcombe.

Also present: County Councillor Playle and District Cllr Coleridge.

24/91. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies were received from Cllrs Brewster, Bentley, Guy and Phillips.

24/92. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The minutes of 23 July 2024 were approved as a correct record of events.

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

24/93. PROGRESS CHECK / ACTION PLAN.

Defibrillator for Faulkbourne - it is hoped a free defibrillator will be supplied by the London Hearts, the Parish Council will need to arrange installation plus a connection to an electric supply. In return London Hearts ask that the Council promotes them where possible.

Faulkbourne SID - just awaiting the correct size of the pole to order.

White Notley Gateways - Cllr Playle will make an application to the LHP for gateways at Faulkbourne, it appears that two sets of gateways are planned for White Notley.

24/94. 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.

24/95. PUBLIC FORUM.

There were no members of the public present.

24/96. REPORTS.

County Councillor Report. Two sets of gateways are planned for White Notley, outside the Village Hall and Station Road. The application to the LHP to be extended to include a set for Faulkbourne. Following complaints about the service of DigiGo, they have a meeting with Cabinet Members to address the problems. Cllr Playle continues to chase the pothole situation in Station Road. The road closure planned for Black Notley will be traffic controlled. Councillors requested an additional meeting with DigiGo for local resident.

District Councillor Report. Apologies were received from Cllr Dervish. Cllr Coleridge explained the motion the District Council has put forward regarding the removal of the winter fuel allowance, they have written to Government asking them to re-consider. Promotion of Pension Credit may help as this is the gateway to getting the fuel allowance. The ECC Waste Strategy to be adopted by BDC. A trial to collect food waste from flats is to be carried out. Local Plan; the new

Government has extended the deadline to December 2026. The Call for Sites is over ten times the amount required, Cllr Coleridge will keep the Parish Council informed of developments.

Community Speed Watch/SID Report. No report received.

24/97. FRIDAY BUS TO CHELMSFORD.

As hire of DigiGo has been unreliable, the Community Transport has been booked for another six months: 18 October, 8 November, 13 December 2024, 10 January, 14 February and 14 March 2025.

24/98. WAR MEMORIAL.

To agree arrangements for grass cutting the War Memorial area. It was agreed to ask our current contractor for a quote to cut the area.

24/99. FINANCE.

August

102402 £320.32 S Black (Playscheme)

102403 £320.32 L Hayes (Playscheme)

102404 £320.32 C Ponder (Playscheme)

102405 £610.72 A Balcombe (Salary/PAYE/Expenses/Printer Ink)

102406 £100.00 Eastlight Community Homes (Licence Fee)

102407 £99.00 J & M Landscapes (Play Area)

102408 £467.80 Braintree District Council (Community Transport/Hire Refuse Vehicle)

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

D/D £82.84 npower Business Solutions (Electric Supply Streetlighting)

September

102409 £75.00 James Todd & Co Ltd (Payroll)

102410 £535.61 A Balcombe (Salary/PAYE/Office Expenses)

102411 £10.00 White Notley Village Hall (Hire)

102412 £288.00 White Notley School (Play Scheme - Hall Hire)

102413 £62.80 Braintree District Council (Community Transport)

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

D/D £84.10 npower Business Solutions (Electric Supply Streetlighting)

Income £9,000.00 BDC 2nd installment Precept £30.00 Community Transport

24/00. PLANNING.

Application No: 24/1808/TPOCON. Notice of intent to carry out works to trees in a Conservation Area: 40 no. various trees including removal of 3 no. Shrubs, 1 no. Apple Tree, 2 no. Silver Birch Trees, 1 no. Holly Tree, 2 no. Laurel Trees, 3 no. Hawthorn Trees, 4 no. Piracantha Trees, 1 no. Acer Tree, 1 no. Bramble and 5 no. Fern Trees. Other trees unknown.

Location: Roselea, Church Mead, Church Hill, White Notley CM8 1RZ. It was agreed the amount of trees etc to be cut down did seem excessive.

24/01. NEW STREETLIGHT IN THE STREET.

A new light is needed in The Street as the old one was destroyed by a car going into it. The total cost to replace the light is £6,161.76. The cost of the actual light is £792.00. UK Power Networks will charge £5,369.76 to connect it, this includes cost of road closure permits, letter drop and the connection. An insurance claim will be submitted, there is a £250.00 excess.

24/02. FOOTWAY IN VICARAGE AVENUE.

The damaged path in Vicarage Avenue has not been repaired. Cllr Playle will chase this up.

24/03. PLAY AREA SIGN.

To consider putting up a sign at the entrance to the Play Area to make it easier for residents to find it. The Clerk to look into getting a sign.

24/04. CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE.

Residents email objecting to Application No: 24/1808/TPOCON.

24/05. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

Christmas Tree - Cllr Smith to organise the Tree and Lights.

24/06. MEETING DATES 2024.

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 A	\T 20.21 PM.
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