



## WHITE NOTLEY AND FAULKBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

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### **Minutes of a meeting of White Notley and Faulkbourne Parish Council held on Tuesday 28 January 2025 at White Notley Village Hall at 7.30pm.**

**Present:** Cllrs: Brewster, Bright, Daniels, Guy, Phillips, Sapienza & Smith.  
**In the Chair:** Cllr Bright.  
**Clerk:** Angela Balcombe.  
**Also present:** Two representatives from Eden Renewables & County Cllr Playle.

#### **25/45. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Apologies were received from Cllr Harrison and Cllr Bentley

#### **25/46. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.**

The minutes of 17 December 2024 were approved as a correct record of events.

**Proposed: Cllr Brewster. Seconded: Cllr Phillips. All agreed.**

#### **25/47. PROGRESS CHECK / ACTION PLAN.**

- Play Area signs - these are now ready to put up.
- DigiGo - a brief report was given on the meeting held this morning.

#### **25/48. 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.

#### **25/49. PUBLIC FORUM.**

There were no members of the public present.

#### **25/50. REPORTS.**

**County Councillor Report.** There will be a 1.75% increase to the budget to be agreed at full Council on 13 February. Further road closures are coming up; The Street, Black Notley and Bakers Lane. The work done previously in Bakers Lane was not up to standard so needs re-doing.

Cllr Brewster asked Cllr Playle if it would be possible to have double white lines in the road at Faulkbourne to prevent overtaking, Cllr Playle will look into this.

**District Councillor Report.** No report received.

**Community Speed Watch/SID Report.** No report received.

#### **25/51. PLANNING.**

**Application No: 25/00008/FUL.** Demolition of 2 no. agricultural buildings and replacement of 1 no. agricultural building.

**Location:** Pennetts Farm, The Green, White Notley CM8 1RG. No objections.

**Application No: 24/02673/FUL.** Sheepcote Solar Farm with up to 13.8MWac of export capacity, comprising the installation of solar photovoltaic panels and associated infrastructure including customer substation, DNO substation, inverter and transformer substations, customer cabin, spare parts container, storage containers, maintenance tracks, fencing, security cameras, landscape planting, swales and associated works including grid connection.

**Location:** Land South West of Cressing Temple, Witham Road, Cressing. No objections. Community Benefit will be divided between Cressing and White Notley.

**25/52. BRAINTREE DISTRICT COUNCIL - WASTE REVIEW.**

The consultation opens at 10:00 am on Monday 6 January and closes Sunday 2 March 2025.

**25/53. BRAINTREE DISTRICT COUNCIL - LOCAL PLAN REVIEW.**

Consultation runs from Monday 20 January until Friday 7 March 2025.

**25/54. FINANCE.**

102430 £125.60 Braintree District Council (Community Transport)

102431 £37.50 James Todd & Co Ltd (Payroll)

102432 £589.91 A Balcombe (Salary/PAYE/Office Expenses/Play Area Signage)

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

D/D £122.79 npower Business Solutions (Electric Supply Streetlighting)

**Income** £40.00 Community Transport (December/January)

**25/55. STREETLIGHT - THE STREET.**

The connection of the light is planned for 11 March - 13 March 2025 subject to permit and road closure approval (it takes 12 weeks to be granted). UK Power Networks said the delay in connecting the light is due to a backlog of work.

**25/56. CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE.**

**Passenger Transport** - launch of 'Love Your Bus grant fund. Grants of up to £50,000 for projects aimed at increasing bus patronage and enhancing local services. The deadline for applications has been extended from 14 February to 21 February 2025.

**25/57. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.**

- Escaping horses - this happens frequently due to the broken fences.

**25/58. MEETING DATES 2025.**

25 February, 25 March, 22 April (Faulkbourne), 27 May (Annual Meetings), 24 June, 22 July (Faulkbourne), 23 September, 28 October (Faulkbourne), 25 November (Budget Meeting), 16 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 20:25 PM.***

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN):

DATE: