



WHITE NOTLEY AND FAULKBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF WHITE NOTLEY AND FAULKBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 17 DECEMBER 2019 AT WHITE NOTLEY VILLAGE HALL AT 7.45 PM.

Present: Cllrs: Bentley, Bright, Daniels, Fisher, Guy, Harrison, Phillips, Smith & Sowdon.
In the Chair: Cllr Bright.
Clerk: Angela Balcombe.
Also present: District Cllr Bebb and two members of the public.

19/12. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

There were no apologies.

19/13. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The minutes of 26 November 2019 were approved as a correct record of events.

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

19/14. PROGRESS CHECK.

- **County Broadband.** Cllr Bentley gave a brief report on the progress of broadband, a decision is awaited as to whether or not County Broadband will lay the cables underground.

19/15. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

To receive any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Other Pecuniary Interests, or Non-Pecuniary Interests relating to items on the agenda. Cllrs Bentley, Bright, Daniels, Harrison and Smith declared a pecuniary interest in item 19/18 as members of the Village Hall Committee.

19/16. PUBLIC FORUM.

Broadband - members of the public were interested in hearing about whether or not County Broadband will lay the cables underground.

19/17. REPORTS.

County Council – apologies were received from Cllr Abbott.

District Council – Cllr Bebb gave a report on District Council matters which included an update on the Local Plan which goes to the Inspectorate in January, the A12 widening Scheme, and surplus of the Council Tax of which White Notley receive £180.00.

19/18. SKIP AT THE VILLAGE HALL.

A skip is needed to remove the old derelict shed. It was unanimously agreed to pay £150.00 for the skip.

19/19. FINANCE.

The following cheques to be approved for payment and signed:

102088 £382.34 A Balcombe (Salary/Office/Expenses)

102089 £160.00 P H Wheaton & Co (Farms) Ltd (Christmas Tree)

102090 £59.50 Braintree District Council (Community Transport)
102091 £150.00 S Daniels (Skip to remove old shed)
D/D £106.46 E-on (Street-lighting)
D/D £53.28 A & J Lighting Solutions (Lighting Maintenance)

Income

£50 cash from the Football Club towards the cost of the Christmas Tree.
£107.00 cash raised as donation to the Essex Air Ambulance.
£75.00 cash Community Transport (November & December)
£50.00 cash paid to Cllr Bright as re-imburement for refreshments for the Carol Service (Chairman's Allowance).

Precept 2020/21 – the precept form was signed by the Chairman and the Clerk. The precept was agreed at the November meeting at £14,000, divided by the 2020/21 Tax Base 248.59 = £52.32 for a Band D property.

19/20. CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE.

Citizens Advice Bureau – thank you letter for the donation from the Parish Council.

Farleigh Hospice - thank you letter for the donation from the Parish Council.

19/21. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

- Salt Bins – are to be filled up.
- Footpaths - have received forms from P3 for work plan and risk assessment.
- Dog fouling still an issue.

19/22. MEETING DATES 2020.

28 January, 25 February, 24 March, 28 April (Faulkbourne), 26 May (Annual Council Meeting), 23 June, 28 July (Faulkbourne), 22 September, 27 October (Faulkbourne), 24 November, 15 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 20.40 PM

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN):

DATE: