



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 2020 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.

20/23. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Cllr Bentley may be late to the meeting.

20/24. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The minutes of 17 December 2019 were approved as a correct record of events.

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

20/25. PROGRESS CHECK.

Salt Bins – to be checked and filled if necessary.

20/26. 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.

20/27. PUBLIC FORUM.

There were no members of the public present.

20/28. REPORTS.

County Council – apologies were received from Cllr Abbott. An emailed report was received; traffic calming for White Notley and Faulkbourne has been added to the scheme list for the Local Highways Panel as being in validation.

District Council – Cllr Bebb updated the Council on District Council matters including facts and figures of the recent general election process; an update on the Local Plan and the Councillors Community Grants Scheme. With regard to the A12 scheme, Cllr Bebb will notify the Parish Council when the consultation is open for comments on the design (Highways England / Ringway Jacobs).

20/29. COUNTY BROADBAND.

A report was received from Cllr Bentley, overall, the changes, assuming they happen, will mean that virtually no new poles will be put up in any of the main inhabited areas in White Notley instead underground cabling will be used. This will mean some disruption on Vicarage Avenue while installation takes place under the road. Installation is still set to take place over the next few months, although installation in Faulkbourne needs to happen first, then White Notley will be connected up.

Cllr Bentley arrived at the meeting.

20/30. UK POWER NETWORKS THE CROSS KEYS, CM8 1RQ.

It was agreed to write a letter of support to UK Power Networks regarding connection to 3 phase electricity below ground, as the pole that is currently in use, situated adjacent to the bus stop, is unsafe and the wire stay presents a serious trip hazard.

20/31. MOBILE CCTV CAMERAS.

The Council discussed the offer from Braintree District Council to purchase CCTV cameras that can be moved around. The total cost for one camera was £100 including batteries, charger and memory card. Agreed to check whether there was any ongoing cost, how long images are kept for and the number of cameras that can be purchased. It was agreed that six will be purchased on condition that the answers to the above queries are satisfactory.

20/32. PLANNING.

Application No: 19/02286/VAR. Application for variation of Condition 1 (Approved Plans) of approved application 16/00351/VAR - Application for variation of condition nos. 2 and 8 of approved application 15/00949/FUL (Proposed solar farm and infrastructure) - To allow the central access to be used for emergency and preventative maintenance visits in light vehicles.

Location: Land south of Sheepcote Wood B1018, Witham Road, White Notley.

No objections.

20/33. FINANCE.

The following cheques were approved for payment and signed:

102092 £376.79 A Balcombe (Salary/Office/Expenses)

102093 £11.87 White Notley Village Hall (Hire)

102094 £93.60 James Todd & Co. Ltd. (Payroll)

102095 £59.50 Braintree District Council (Community Transport)

D/D £110.01 E-on (Street-lighting)

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

Income

Community Transport £35.00 (cash, less £12.94 B Bright (Christmas Decorations = £22.06 to be banked)

20/34. CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE.

Essex Air Ambulance - thank you letter for the donations from the Parish Council.

Braintree Area U3A – information about the Braintree U3A which is a charitable organisation (circulated).

EALC – launch of online training courses: Data Protection, 12-month course, £14 per delegate. Health & Safety, 12-month course, £14 per delegate.

EALC – Joy Darby's Retirement - £10 will be donated from Chairman's Allowance.

20/35. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

- The White Notley School Council may attend the next meeting.
- Letter of thanks to be sent to the Football Club for the donation of £50 towards the Christmas tree.
- Dustcarts to be booked.
- Items for the next newsletter - litter picking, mobile CCTV cameras, VE Day celebrations and dustcart dates.
- SID data – Cllr Bentley is working on producing the reports.

- A successful White Notley Walk had recently been held.
- Water running down the road near the Village Hall, the ditches need clearing.

20/36. MEETING DATES 2020.

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 20.46 PM

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN):

DATE: