WHITE NOTLEY

WHITE NOTLEY AND FAULKBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF A MEETING OF WHITE NOTLEY AND FAULKBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 26 NOVEMBER 2013 AT WHITE NOTLEY VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 PM.

Present: Cllrs: Bright, Daniels, Desmond, Fraser, Galione, J Harrison,

Houghton and Wagstaff.

In the Chair: Cllr Bright.

Clerk: Angela Balcombe.

Also present: One member of the public, Cllr James Abbott, members of the

White Notley School Council and PCSO Nikki Doubleday.

13/98. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies were received from Cllr L Harrison.

13/99. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The minutes of 22 October 2013 were approved as a correct record of events. **Proposed: Clir Desmond. Seconded: Clir J Harrison. All agreed.**

13/00. PROGRESS CHECK.

Faulkbourne Speed Limit – no further news on the implementation of the new speed limit, although Highways had asked the Parish Council if they would like the new speed limit on the gateways.

13/01. 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.

13/02. WHITE NOTLEY SCHOOL COUNCIL.

The School Council were welcomed to the meeting. Members of the School Council gave an interesting presentation on the work of the school.

13/03. PUBLIC FORUM.

No matters were raised.

13/04. REPORTS.

Police/PCSO Report – Nikki gave a report which included incidents within the parish.

District Councillors Report – Cllr Tom Cunningham gave his apologies. Cllr Galione gave a report of District Council matters.

County Councillors Report – Cllr Abbot gave a brief report and mentioned the Issue around pot holes and the consultation on the changes to the children's centres.

13/05. FINANCE.

The following cheques were approved for payment and signed:

101675 £373.79 A Balcombe (Salary/Office Expenses £274.30, Tel. £12.00,

Postage £6.50, Newsletter £64.00, printer ink £16.99)

101676 £22.20 Acumen Wages Service (October Salaries)

101677 £10.00 White Notley Village Hall (Hire)

101678 £52.91 B Bright (Chairman's Allowance)

101679 £7.50 L Desmond (SID Batteries)

101680 £284.00 J Houghton (new bench for play area)

D/D £45.79 E-on (Street-lighting)

D/D £44.40 A & J Lighting Solutions (Lighting Maintenance)

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

13/06. REPLACEMENT OAK TREE - VICARAGE AVENUE.

It was agreed to allow up to £100 to buy a new tree.

Proposed CIIr Desmond. Unanimously agreed.

13/07. BUDGET / PRECEPT 2014/15.

The draft budget for 2014/15 was prepared. The final precept figure to be agreed at the next meeting once BDC has confirmed the amount of the Localism Grant.

13/08. TRAFFIC REGULATION ORDER - VICARAGE AVENUE.

The North Essex Parking Partnership (NEPP) has received a complaint regarding parental parking associated with the school. The Council to reply to say that no other requests or issues have been raised regarding this location. The yellow lines still need to be removed.

13/09. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE.

Email regarding switching off the parish owned street-lights. It was
explained that the Parish Council, when consulted on the County Council
lights to be switched off at mid-night, were given the option to include the
parish lights at no cost, however the Parish Council agreed to keep the
parish lights on at night for various reasons including road safety.

13/10. REPRESENTATIVES COMMENTS / REPORTS.

Play Area – the bench has been delivered and will be installed when the weather improves.

Speed Indicator Device (SID) – no change in the figures, a significant number of vehicles are still travelling over the speed limit.

13/11. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

- Faulty street-lights Oak Farm, Junction Vicarage Avenue/Station Road, and outside White Notley Church
- Bend and speed sign knocked down at Oak Farm (facing White Notley)
- A complaint had been received about the minutes and agendas being
 published late. The Clerk explained that minutes should be published two
 months from the meeting date and the legal time frame for publishing the
 agenda was three clear days before the meeting. The minutes are
 published (unapproved) three weeks after the meeting date and the
 agenda is always published one week before the meeting.
- Storm damage to trees in Church Hill and an overgrown hedge in Pole Lane was mentioned.
- A new battery for the SID is needed.

13/12. MEETING DATES.

All meetings are on the fourth Tuesday of every month at 7.30pm except December's meeting which is a week earlier, 17 December at White Notley Village Hall.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.01 PM

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN):	DATE:
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