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 28 JANUARY 2014 AT WHITE NOTLEY VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 PM.

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

Houghton and Wagstaff.

In the Chair: Cllr Bright.

Clerk: Angela Balcombe.

Also present: 1 member of the public and County Cllr James Abbott

14/26. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Desmond.

14/27. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The minutes of 17 December 2013 were approved as a correct record of events. **Proposed: Clir Fraser. Seconded: Clir J Harrison. All agreed.**

14/28. PROGRESS CHECK.

Faulkbourne Gateways – Councillors were happy with the change to materials for the gateways but could not understand why Highways had changed the previously agreed location. It was agreed that the new location was unacceptable, mainly due to safety reasons but also because it would seem to exclude three significant properties. It was agreed that the gateways should go in the original location, although this was dependent on permission from Witham Town Council as one of the gateways was just outside of the boundary.

14/29. 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.

14/30. PUBLIC FORUM.

Mr Bright reported that speed data is still showing the same high speeds through Faulkbourne despite the new 40mph speed limit, the police have carried out a speed check and caught over 70 motorists breaking the limit who will be prosecuted.

14/31. REPORTS.

Police/PCSO Report – apologies were received from PCSO Doubleday. Her report included details of a number of burglaries that had taken place in White Notley. Residents are reminded to keep their premises locked and secure. Patrols have been increased in the area.

District Councillors Report – apologies were received from Cllr Cunningham. Cllr Galione gave a report on the Rural Task and Finish Group.

County Councillors Report – Highways Panel; 3 schemes have been approved in White Notley and Faulkbourne: Lodge Cottages, Pole Lane junction and Glebe Cottages, The Green costing £12k for design and £50k for delivery.

District Boundary Review Black Notley will join Great Notley Ward, Terling & Fairstead and White Notley and Faulbourne will join Hatfield Peverel Ward.

14/32. FINANCE.

The following cheques to be approved for payment and signed:

101689 £192.20 HMRC (PAYE - Nov/Dec/Jan)

101690 £280.30 A Balcombe (Salary/Office Expenses £274.30, Postage £6.00)

101691 £10.00 White Notley Village Hall (Hire)

101692 £54.00 Konica Minolta Business Solutions (Photocopier Lease)

101693 £26.91 B Bright (Christmas Decorations)

101694 £44.40 Acumen Wages Service (Dec/Jan Salary)

D/D £45.79 E-on (Street-lighting)

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

14/33. BUDGET / PRECEPT 2014/15.

The budget for 2014/15 was agreed at £13,426.00, less the BDC Localism Grant of £3,111.00 therefore the precept was agreed at £10,315.00.

Proposed: Cllr Houghton. Seconded: Cllr Fraser. Unanimously agreed.

This works out at £44.17 per year on a Band D property.

14/34. ROAD TRAFFIC ACCIDENTS.

Who is responsible for clearing up debris after a traffic accident? The answer from Highways is that it is the responsibility of the driver. If the Highways team are called out then they would clear it.

14/35. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE.

Faulkbourne Gateways – Cllr Wagstaff had received correspondence objecting to the proposed new location.

14/36. REPRESENTATIVES COMMENTS / REPORTS.

Health – it has been reported that services are to be cut at the Community Hospital, it was suggested that residents ask their doctors to refer them to the Community Hospital in the hope that more people make use of the services offered.

14/37. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

- Disabled bay, Vicarage Avenue still needs the lines repainting
- Still a problem with dog mess cctv was mentioned plus awareness of this issue will be highlighted in the next newsletter.
- Faulkbourne Village Sign Cllrs Harrison and Houghton will repair it
- Traffic sign at Faulkbourne Bends has still not been put back up.
- Allotment fees going up 54%.
- Highway Ranger were mentioned and can be contacted for minor highways repairs.

14/38. MEETING DATES 2014.

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

25 February, 25 March, 22 April, 27 May, 24 June, 22 July,

26 August, 23 September, 28 October, 25 November, 16 December.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.20 PM

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