

WHITE NOTLEY AND FAULKBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

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# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF WHITE NOTLEY AND FAULKBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 24 FEBRUARY 2015 AT WHITE NOTLEY VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 PM.

Present:Cllrs: Bright, Daniels, Galione, L Harrison, Houghton & Wagstaff.In the Chair:Cllr Bright.In the Chair:Cllr Bright.Clerk:Angela Balcombe.Also present:There was no one else present.

# 15/94. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies were received and accepted by Cllr Fraser, Cllr Desmond and Cllr J Harrison.

# 15/95. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The minutes of 27 January 2015 were approved as a correct record of events. **Proposed: Cllr L Harrison. Seconded: Cllr Wagstaff. All agreed.** 

# 15/96. PROGRESS CHECK.

No matters raised.

#### 15/97. 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.

#### 15/98. PUBLIC FORUM.

No matters were raised.

#### 15/99. REPORTS.

**District Council** – apologies were received from Cllr Cunningham. Cllr Galione gave a report of the full council meeting at which the budget was approved. The District Council has not increased council tax.

**County Council -** apologies were received from Cllr Abbott. An emailed report was received and noted.

Police – weekly email circulated.

#### 15/00. PLANNING.

**Application No: 15/00108/AGR.** Application for prior notification for an agricultural building - Erection of timber framed agricultural building. **Location:** Hazelton, Green Lane, White Notley. No objections.

**Application No: 15/00003/COUPA.** Prior approval for the change of use of an agricultural building to two dwellings.

Location: Land Adjacent Stanfield Meadow, Vicarage Avenue, White Notley.

# 15/01. PROPOSED CHANGES TO THE SCHEME OF DELEGATION FOR PLANNING APPLICATIONS.

Braintree District Council are proposing to widen the delegation of decisions to officers. The Clerk will prepare a response objecting to the proposals and circulate it to councillors before sending it in to the District Council.

#### 15/02. PLAY SCHEME.

To decide whether this year's Play Scheme should be held in the Village Hall as the School Hall will not be available due to building works. An additional helper would be needed to ensure the safety of children when playing outside. **Unanimously agreed to hold the Play Scheme at the Village Hall.** 

#### 15/03. FINANCE.

The following cheques to be approved for payment and signed: 101756 £289.83 A Balcombe (Salary/Office Expenses) 101757 £10.00 White Notley Village Hall (Hire) 101758 £464.40 Traffic Technology Ltd (SID Batteries & Charger) 101759 £18.00 Braintree Association of Local Councils (Annual Subs) 101760 £22.20 Acumen Wages Service (Monthly Salary) 101761 £100.00 Citizens Advice Bureau (Donation) 101762 £50.00 Victoria County History of Essex (Donation) 101763 £150.00 Essex Air Ambulance (Donation) 101764 £100.00 Farleigh Hospice (Donation) 101765 £75.00 St Etheldreda Church (Grass Cutting) 101766 £75.00 Faulkbourne Churchwarden Account (Grass Cutting) D/D £45.79 E-on (Street-lighting) D/D £53.28 A & J Lighting Solutions (Lighting Maintenance) D/D £84.60 A & J Lighting Solutions (Lighting Maintenance)

• **One-off additional payment from BDC -** £187.00 this is an allocation of the estimated surplus on the Council Tax Collection Fund.

# 15/04. RCCE VILLAGE OF THE YEAR COMPETITION.

The deadline for entries is 10 April 2015. Agreed not to enter this year.

#### 15/05. ECC LAUNCH OF GETTING AROUND IN ESSEX.

The Council completed the questionnaire, to be returned to Essex County Council.

# 15/06. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE.

**Residents email** – Station Road Lighting (circulated). A response to be sent copying in MP Priti Patel.

# 15/07. REPRESENTATIVES COMMENTS / REPORTS.

There were no reports.

#### 15/08. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

- Vicarage Avenue road and paths still need sweeping, the disabled bay still needs repainting.
- Station Road pot-holes near water works to be reported.
- Streetlight outside Faulkbourne Village Hall is on all the time.
- Newsletter to include details of the Community Agents, dustcart dates and information on road safety.

- Ditches near the football club close to the road are nearly overflowing.
- Defibrillator next agenda.
- Locks on Faulkbourne notice board need repairing Cllr Wagstaff.

#### 15/09. MEETING DATES 2015.

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 either White Notley or Faulkbourne Village Hall.

24 March, 28 April (Faulkbourne), 19 May (Elections 7 May), 23 June, 28 July (Faulkbourne), 25 August, 22 September, 27 October (Faulkbourne), 24 November, 15 December.

# THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9 PM

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN):

DATE: