



WHITE NOTLEY AND FAULKBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE A MEETING OF WHITE NOTLEY AND FAULKBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 26 JANUARY 2016 AT WHITE NOTLEY VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 PM.

Present: Cllrs: Bright, Daniels, Fisher, Galione, J Harrison, L Harrison, N Harrison, Smith & Wagstaff.
In the Chair: Cllr Bright.
Clerk: Angela Balcombe.
Also present: 7 members of the public (applicants for co-option)

16/53. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

There were no apologies.

16/54. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The minutes of 15 December 2015 were approved as a correct record of events.

Proposed: Cllr Daniels. Seconded: Cllr L Harrison. All agreed.

16/55. PROGRESS CHECK.

The replacement community notice board should be done within the next month.

16/56. CO-OPTION OF PARISH COUNCILLORS.

To co-opt three parish councillors to fill the three seats left vacant at the May election. *Cllrs J Harrison and L Harrison declared a pecuniary interest in this item as they are related to one of the applicants. Cllrs J Harrison and L Harrison left the meeting when this applicant was considered.*

Applicants were asked to introduce themselves and then asked to leave the meeting whilst the voting took place.

Dee Smith, Jeremy Fisher and Niki Harrison received the highest number of votes and were therefore co-opted as parish councillors. Declarations of Acceptance of Office were signed and Cllrs Fisher, N Harrison and Smith were welcomed to the Council.

A new committee will be set up soon to manage the funding generated from the solar farm, the remaining applicants were invited to put themselves forward for this committee.

16/57. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

To receive any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Other Pecuniary Interests, or Non-Pecuniary Interests relating to items on the agenda. Cllrs J Harrison and L Harrison declared a pecuniary interest in agenda item 16/56 as they are related to one of the applicants. No other interests were declared.

16/58. PUBLIC FORUM.

No matters were raised.

16/59. REPORTS.

District Council – apologies were received from Cllr Bebb.

County Council – apologies were received from Cllr Abbott.

Police – emailed reports are circulated.

16/60. FINANCE.

The following cheques were approved for payment and signed:

101819 £289.83 A Balcombe (Salary/Office Expenses £289.83)
101820 £44.40 Acumen Wages Service (Dec/Jan)
101821 £10.00 White Notley Village Hall (Hire)
101822 £100.00 Citizens Advice Bureau (Donation)
101823 £150.00 Essex Air Ambulance (S.137 Donation)
101824 £100.00 Farleigh Hospice (S.137 Donation)
101825 £100.00 British Heart Foundation (S.137 Donation)
101826 £75.00 St Etheldreda Church (Donation)
101827 £75.00 St Germanus Church (Donation)
D/D £61.72 E-on (Street-lighting)
D/D £53.28 A & J Lighting Solutions (Lighting Maintenance)

16/61. BUDGET & PRECEPT 2016/17.

To formally agree the precept for the financial year 2016/17.

The budget for the financial year 2016/17 was unanimously agreed as £12,978.00 at the November meeting. The Localism Grant from Braintree District Council has now been confirmed as £2,205.00, this is a reduction of 16.21% from last year, which gives a **precept figure of £10,773.00** (£44.15 per year for a Band D property).

Proposed: Cllr Bright. Seconded: Cllr L Harrison. All agreed.

16/62. PLAY AREA – GRASS CUTTING CONTRACT 2016/17.

A new contractor is needed to cut the grass at the Play Area. Quotes to be obtained and an advert to be placed in the village magazine.

16/63. PLANNING.

Application No: 15/01608/FUL. Erection of extensions and alterations.

Location: 37 The Street, White Notley CM8 1RQ. No objections.

16/64. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE.

ECC Public Notice – to temporarily close Bulford Mill Lane from its junction with Mill Lane to its junction with Brain Valley Road commencing on 27 January 2016 for 2 days (weather permitting).

16/65. REPRESENTATIVES COMMENTS / REPORTS.

Circulate list – next agenda.

16/66. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

- Litter pick – Station Road
- Newsletter – budget / new councillors / dustcarts / dog mess
- Queens 90th Birthday 16 June – newsletter
- SID to be moved to Faulkbourne

16/67. MEETING DATES 2016.

All meetings are on the fourth Tuesday of every month at 7.45pm except December's meeting which is a week earlier. Meetings are held at either White Notley or Faulkbourne Village Hall.

23 February, 22 March, 26 April (Faulkbourne), 24 May, 28 June,
26 July (Faulkbourne), 23 August, 27 September, 25 October (Faulkbourne),
22 November, 20 December.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 8.45 PM

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN):

DATE: