



**WHITE NOTLEY AND FAULKBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL**

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**MINUTES OF A COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY  
27 NOVEMBER 2012 AT WHITE NOTLEY VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 PM.**

**Present:** Cllrs: Bright, Daniels, Desmond, Fraser, Galione, L Harrison, J Harrison, Houghton & Wagstaff.  
**In the Chair:** Cllr Bright.  
**Clerk:** Angela Balcombe.  
**Also present:** District Cllr Tom Cunningham, PCSO Doubleday and 5 members of the public.

**12/22. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

There were no apologies.

**12/23. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.**

The minutes of 23 October 2012 were approved as a correct record of events.

**Proposed: Cllr Daniels. Seconded: Cllr Fraser. All agreed.**

***Cllr Linda Harrison declared a pecuniary interest in item 12/24 as she is related to two of the candidates. Cllr Harrison left the meeting for this item.***

**12/24. CASUAL VACANCIES.**

Following a vote resulting in a clear majority, both John Houghton and James Harrison were co-opted as parish councillors. Cllrs Houghton and J Harrison were welcomed to the meeting and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

**12/25. PROGRESS CHECK.**

**CSW** – the new laser speed gun has been purchased and training is being arranged.

**SID Report** – the device is currently situated at The Green where there has been an increase in the speed and volume of traffic since the last time the device was there (3 years ago).

**12/26. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.**

To receive any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Other Pecuniary Interests, or Non-Pecuniary Interests relating to items on the agenda. No further interests were declared.

**12/27. PUBLIC FORUM.**

No matters were raised.

**EX-AGENDA.**

- **Police/ PCSO Report.** A brief report was received
- **District Councillors Report.** Cllr Cunningham gave a brief report about District Council matters.
- **County Councillors Report.** Circulated.

**12/28. PURCHASE OF A MANUAL GRIT SPREADER.**

After consultation only one resident had shown an interest in the purchase of a grit spreader therefore it was agreed not to purchase one at this time.

- Grit bin – next agenda.

**12/29. CHRISTMAS TREE.**

It was unanimously agreed to purchase two Christmas trees for this year costing a total of £215.00.

**12/30. FINANCE.**

**The following cheques were approved for payment and signed:**

101596 £346.30 A Balcombe (Salary £313.50, Office Expenses £25.00, Postage £7.80)

101597 £20.00 White Notley Village Hall (Hire)

101598 £6.52 Konica Minolta (Photocopying)

101599 £1,890.00 Essex Police Authority (Laser Speed Gun)

101600 £38.50 B Bright (Chairman's Allowance)

101601 £15.40 G Underwood (Notice Board Repair)

D/D £45.79 E-on (Street-lighting)

D/D £50.64 A & J Lighting Solutions (Lighting Maintenance)

D/D £113.10 A & J Lighting Solutions (Lighting Maintenance)

**12/31. BUDGET/PRECEPT 2013/14.**

A draft budget was agreed with a precept figure of £11,153, to be finalised at the December meeting.

- Grass cutting contract for 2013/14 – additional quotes to be obtained and the contract to be agreed at a future meeting.

**12/32. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE.**

**Residents letter** – the speed limit from Faulkbourne to Witham is to be considered as a potential scheme for the Braintree Local Highways Panel.

**Residents e-mail** – offering to grit the pathway at The Green.

**White Notley School Council** – report received.

**12/33. REPRESENTATIVES COMMENTS / REPORTS.**

**Health** – Cllr Galione is a member of the Friends of the Community Hospital.

**Transport** – Cllrs Bright and Daniels attended the last transport meeting.

**Village Hall** - funding has been granted from ECC Big Society Fund for the disabled toilets.

**12/34. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.**

- Faulkbourne Post Box.
- Replacement white lines at Faulkbourne.
- Tractor sign has been demolished! (near Forge Cottage).

**12/35. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING.**

The next meeting will be held on Tuesday 18 December at 7.30pm at White Notley Village Hall.

***THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.10 PM***

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN):

DATE: