

## WHITE NOTLEY AND FAULKBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL

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# MINUTES OF A MEETING OF WHITE NOTLEY AND FAULKBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 17 DECEMBER 2013 AT WHITE NOTLEY VILLAGE HALL AT 7.30 PM.

Present: Cllrs: Bright, Daniels, Desmond, 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 District Councillor Tom Cunningham.

## 13/13. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

There were no apologies.

## 13/14. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The minutes of 26 November 2013 were approved as a correct record of events. **Proposed: Clir Harrison. Seconded: Clir Daniels. All agreed.** 

#### 13/15. PROGRESS CHECK.

The new 40mph speed limit at Faulkbourne has now been implemented.

#### 13/16. 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.

## 13/17. PUBLIC FORUM.

No matters were raised.

#### 13/18. REPORTS.

## Police/PCSO Report.

Apologies were received from PCSO Doubleday.

#### **District Councillors Report**

Cllr Galione and Cllr Cunningham gave a report of the full council meeting held on 16 December, it is likely that there will be no increase on council tax this year. White Notley School are one of the top ten in Essex (there are three in top ten from the Braintree District).

## **County Councillors Report**

Apologies were received from Cllr Abbott. An emailed report was received in which Cllr Abbott welcomed the progress on the new speed limits at Faulkbourne. Essex County Council have now stated that they accept that the road both sides of White Notley station needs work to repair the potholes and edge breakaways. ECC will not commit to a date for this. Cllr Abbott will continue to press them to do this work and has reminded them that the existing situation is dangerous, not least due to the lack of footways which means pedestrians have to walk in the road to access the station.

## 13/19. FINANCE.

## The following cheques to be approved for payment and signed:

D/D £44.32 E-on (Street-lighting)

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

101681 £309.49 A Balcombe (Salary/Office Expenses £274.50, Stationery 34.99)

101682 £100.00 Citizens Advice Bureau

101683 £50.00 Victoria County History of Essex Appeal Fund (S.137)

101684 £150.00 Essex Air Ambulance (S.137)

101685 £100.00 Farleigh Hospice (S.137)

101686 £75.00 St Etheldreda Church (Maintenance)

101687 £75.00 St Germanus Church (Maintenance)

101688 £22.20 Acumen Wages Service (November Salary)

## 13/20. BUDGET / PRECEPT 2014/15.

The draft budget and precept for 2014/15 will be finalised at the January meeting once the Localism Support Grant has been confirmed.

#### 13/21. FAULKBOURNE GATEWAYS.

A design has been received, only one set of gateways can be provided, however a request for a second set will be put to the Highways Panel.

#### 13/22. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE.

Thank you email from Julia Blatch with regard to the Christmas trees.

#### 13/23. REPRESENTATIVES COMMENTS / REPORTS.

SID – more police speed checks will be done

## 13/24. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

- Station Road trees that have been cut down have been dropped into the stream. Contact UK Power Networks.
- Streetlights Station Road and Oak Farm, Faulkbourne.
- Thank you letter to the Cross Keys for their hospitality.
- Faulkbourne Village Sign to be repaired.
- Oak farm bend sign and speed sign still down next to tree stump.
- Faulkbourne Village Hall were successful in their application to the Community Initiatives Fund.
- Dustcarts to be booked for March, July and October.

#### 13/25. 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.

28 January, 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 9.07 PM

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