



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 28 JUNE 2016 AT WHITE NOTLEY VILLAGE HALL AT 7.45 PM.

Present: Cllrs: Bright, Daniels, Fisher, Galione, N Harrison, Smith & Wagstaff.
In the Chair: Cllr Bright.
Clerk: Angela Balcombe.
Also present: One member of the public.

16/26. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies were received from Cllrs J & L Harrison.

16/27. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

The minutes of 24 May 2016 were approved as a correct record of events.

Proposed: Cllr Daniels. Seconded: Cllr Wagstaff. All agreed.

16/28. PROGRESS CHECK.

Transport Meeting – Cllrs Bright and Daniels attended the last meeting. Following a complaint about the route of the Friday Bus, the correct route was followed for a couple of weeks but after that the bus driver reverted back to the old route. An email to be sent to the Passenger Transport Team.

16/29. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS.

To receive any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests, Other Pecuniary Interests, or Non-Pecuniary Interests relating to items on the agenda. Cllr Fisher declared a disclosable pecuniary interest in item 16/36 Application No: 16/00927/FUL as he is the applicant. Cllrs Galione and Wagstaff declared a non-pecuniary interest in the same item as they are tenants on the Faulkbourne estate.

16/30. PUBLIC FORUM.

The planning application at land adjacent to Stanfield Meadow was discussed and although there appeared to be no objections, certain conditions were suggested.

16/31. REPORTS.

District Council – apologies were received from Cllr Bebb.

County Council – apologies were received from Cllr Abbott, an emailed report was received which covered the following points; Braintree District Local Highways Panel (BDLHP) 11 July at which Cllr Abbott will raise the extreme speeding problem at Faulkbourne, Network Rail proposed closure of railway crossings, closure of Children's Centres – ECC are now only proposing to close one instead of the two originally proposed. Cllr Abbott continues to report and chase up damage to road signs and the annual problem of the hedge overgrowing the path along Witham road on the approach to the Black Notley boundary.

16/32. ANGLIAN LEVEL CROSSING REDUCTION STRATEGY.

Network Rail have identified 2 level crossings in White Notley due for closure on Public Rights of Way – Essex Way and Cranes No 2. Consultation events in August/September; dates to be advised. The Council to object to the closure of the Essex Way crossing.

16/33. FAULKBOURNE SPEED MANAGEMENT.

The criteria for identifying potential speed camera sites was circulated. It was agreed that Cllr Fisher will attend the Braintree District Local Highways Panel on 11 July to request speed cameras for White Notley and Faulkbourne.

16/34. INDEPENDENT REPORT TO INVESTIGATE THE CAUSE OF POSSIBLE FLOODING ISSUES.

The maintenance and repair of the culvert is Anglian Water's responsibility. They are sending out a surveyor to consider the causes of the flooding and how to repair any damage to the culvert. It was agreed if necessary that the Parish Council will pay for an independent report and any necessary maintenance at a cost of up to £1,000 (£500 for the report and £500 for maintenance).

Proposed Cllr N Harrison. Seconded Cllr Wagstaff. All agreed.

16/35. FINANCE.

The following cheques to be approved for payment and signed:

101849 £300.00 B Bright (Play Scheme Equipment)
101850 £564.00 Premier Print (Speed Campaign Stickers)
101851 £284.23 A Balcombe (Salary/Office Expenses)
101852 £22.20 Acumen Wages Service (June Salaries)
101853 £201.00 HMRC (PAYE)
101854 £66.00 RCCE (Membership Fee)
101855 £79.80 Playsafety Ltd (RoSPA Inspection)
101856 £30.00 Faulkbourne Village Hall (Hire)
101857 £30.00 J & M Landscapes (Grass Cutting - Play Area)
101858 £27.00 B Bright (Chairman's Expenses)
D/D £61.72 E-on (Street-lighting)
D/D £53.28 A & J Lighting Solutions (Lighting Maintenance)
D/D £141.00 A & J Lighting Solutions (Lighting Maintenance)

Income £444.00 Transparency Fund Grant (IT Equipment)

16/36. PLANNING.

Application No: 16/00927/FUL. Change of use of land to domestic gardens, widen track, alter site access to Church Hill, grade adjacent field to form driver visibility splay, form passing place, two turning heads and bin standing area and alter ground levels.

Location: Land Adjacent Stanfield Meadow, Vicarage Avenue, White Notley
Although there were no objections to this application it was mentioned that the land is outside the village envelope and that this proposal was possibly an incursion into the countryside.

Having declared a pecuniary interest in this agenda item, Cllr Fisher left the meeting whilst it was discussed.

Application No: 16/00825/FUL. Replacement dwelling.

Location: Old Keepers Cottage, The Street, Faulkbourne. No objections.

16/37. PLAY AREA – RoSPA INSPECTION.

The play area has been inspected for safety and has an overall low risk score with only some minor repairs needed.

16/38. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE TO NOTE.

ECC Salt Bag Partnership – one tonne wrapped pallet of salt in 25kg bags for use by the community on the local highway available free of charge. No more salt is needed as there is plenty left from last year.

16/39. REPRESENTATIVES COMMENTS / REPORTS.

- Community Speed Watch (CSW) – still looking for more volunteers.
- Footpaths
- Play Area
- Speed Indicator Device (SID)

16/40. INFORMATION EXCHANGE / NEXT AGENDA ITEMS ONLY.

- Complaints received about the state of allotments, some of which are very unkempt. The path to the allotments is also very overgrown. To be reported to BDC.
- Complaints about children playing in the farmers' field behind White Notley village hall. Dog walkers are also walking across the crops where there is no right of way.

16/41. 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.

26 July (Faulkbourne), 23 August, 27 September, 25 October (Faulkbourne), 22 November, 20 December.

THE MEETING CLOSED AT 9.20 PM

SIGNED (CHAIRMAN):

DATE: