

FORSBROOK PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 17th January 2022 19:30 hours at Blythe Bridge Village Hall

Members Present

Chairman Herdman	Cllr White
Cllr McCready	Cllr Holmes
Cllr Felin	

In Attendance

Dawn Plant – Clerk & RFO	District Cllr Flunder
Members of the Public 2	PCSO Staples

1. Apologies for Absence

County Cllr Ward, Cllr Sanidford, Cllr Yates
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2. Declarations of Interest & 3. Register of Interests

<u>Item</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Nature</u>
Blythe Bridge Village Hall Committee	Councillor J Felin	Part of the management committee
Planning	Cllr Holmes	Member of SMDC Planning Committee
SMDC	Cllr Herdman	Resident adjacent to local plan site

3.	Register of Interest Councillors were reminded of their obligations to maintain their register of interest.
4.	Minutes Unanimously agreed to approve the minutes from December as a true record
5.	Chairman Herdman opened the meeting expressing the Parish Council's sadness to hear the news of the death of Cllr Richard Alcock. Richard had given a life time of service to Chedale Town Council and SMDC and will be missed by everyone. Residents issues PCSO Staples reported that crime was at a low level at the moment and the Police waited for details of the new Policing model that was imminent. He went on to say that Covid had impacted response times.

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	<p>Mr Jennings a resident of Boundary and Chairman Bateman from Dilhorne Parish Council were present at the meeting.</p> <p>Mr Jennings explained that the residents of Boundary had submitted an Asset of Community Value for the former Red Lion Public House in Dilhorne. The pub has been for sale for two years and the residents of Boundary did not want to loose their only valuable asset for social interaction. The Councillors asked the Clerk to add the matter to the February agenda to discuss a letter of support.</p>
6	<p>County and District Reports</p> <p>District Cllr Flunder reported that there were concerns about the lack of vaccination centres in the Moorlands and asked the Parish Council to detail any concerns they have to him in an email. The Clerk would do this.</p> <p>The bus working group would take place on 21st February at the County Council offices in Stafford. An invite to the Parish Council would follow. Cllr McCready expressed an interest in being involved.</p>
7.	January Accounts
7A	Invoices were available for inspection and it was unanimously agreed to approve.
B	<p>Bank Reconciliation</p> <p>Previously circulated via email and available on the web site.</p>
C	<p>YTD Figures and budget scrutiny</p> <p>The Clerk presented the year to date figures for inspection.</p>
D	<p>To discuss and set the precept for 2022/23</p> <p>Initial discussions regarding the precept had taken place in December, the Councillors unanimously resolved to request a precept figure of £100,000. Chairman Herdman signed the forms and the Clerk would submit to SMDC.</p>
8	<p>Clerks report</p> <p>The Clerk reported that she had received a quote from Scribe for their cemetery management software of £380. Cllr White proposed the Clerk purchase the software and Cllr Herdman seconded.</p> <p>The bid for the trees from the Woodland Trust had been successful. 420 saplings would be delivered before Mid March. The Clerk had already liased with Springcroft, Forsbrook Primary and William Amory and asked if they would like their children involved in the planting and dates had been set.</p>
9	Correspondence
10	<p>Update on the Police House Project</p> <p>The legalities were moving on. The Clerk would add an item to February agenda to discuss consultation events for Parishioners to give their input into the project.</p>

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11.	Trees on Elmwood Drive Permission from Steve Massey at SMDC had now been obtained for 8 Alders / Willow trees for the green space at Elmwood Drive. The Clerk would ask MW Garden Services to purchase and plant.
12.	Queens Jubilee Plans The Clerk suggested that a Party on the recreation ground may be a good idea, where people bring their own blanket / gazebo / food / and the Parish provide a bar and bands. The Clerk would investigate with mobile bars and discuss at the next meeting.
13	Planning – Cllr Holmes took no part in the discussion. SMD/2021/0852 – 455 Uttoxeter Road – Proposed single storey extension with balcony and internal alterations. Non objections.
14	Cemetery Nothing to report
15	Environment The Councillors raised the following issues. Pavements Uttoxeter Road – pleased to see they are going to be repaired. Pot hole at Travis Perkins – Clerk already reported Gulley's – need maintenance
16	Councillor Updates Cllr Holmes updated the Councillors that he and the Clerk had met with Angela Dale at SMDC to discuss the recreation ground and the S106 funding.

The meeting closed at 8:45pm