

FORSBROOK PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 18 March 2019 19:30 hours at Blythe Bridge Village Hall.

Members Present

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| Chairman Councillor Peter Jones | Cllr Mould |
| Cllr Yates | Cllr Mancey |
| Cllr Holmes | Cllr Herdman |
| Cllr Bagnall | Cllr Morris |

In Attendance

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| Clerk to the Council Dawn Plant | Members of the Public - 2 |
| District Councillor Flunder | |
| Cheadle and Tean Times | |

1. Apologies for Absence

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| <u>County Councillor Ward</u> |
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2. Declarations of Interest

| <u>Item</u> | <u>Member</u> | <u>Nature</u> |
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| Foxfield Steam Railway | Councillor A Mould | Volunteer at Foxfield Railway |
| Blythe Bridge Village Hall Committee | Councillor J Morris | Part of the management committee |
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| Blythe Bridge Village Hall Committee | Councillor S Bagnall | Part of the management committee |
| Staffordshire County Council - Highway Issues | Councillor P Jones | Personal – Staffordshire County Council Highway Officer Mary Anne Raftery Personal friend. |
| Tesco | | Personal – employee of Tesco. |

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| 2. | OPEN SESSION | ACTION |
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| 2.1 | RESIDENTS ISSUES | |
| | Chairman Cllr Jones advised the meeting that Cllr Kemp had tendered her resignation via email. He thanked her for her support over the past two years and all the Councillors wished her well for the future. | |
| 3. | COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT | |
| | County Cllr Ward was not present at the meeting but his report was circulated to the Cllrs. | |
| 4 | INFORMATION AND REPORTS FROM REPRESENTITVES ATTENDING OUTSIDE MEETINS INCLUDING DISTRICT COUNCILLORS | |
| | Chairman Cllr Jones thanked District Cllrs Flunder, Herdman and Wilkinson for their contribution of £300 towards the Parish Fete in 2019. | |
| | District Cllr Flunder informed the meeting that he had spoken at the recent planning committee at SMDC regarding the application for 14 houses on Caverswall Road. The application had been refused. He went onto to state that he had spoken on behalf of the Parish as he was aware that some of the Cllrs did not feel combatable speaking. He had experienced intimidation after the meeting and this was something, he was talking with officers at SMDC about. He was hoping to pursue the issue of intimidation to Councillors in the future. | |
| | Chairman Jones explained that he had been to Fulford Parish Councils transport meeting. D & G Buses were currently working on the costs and timetables for the bus service. It was to be roughly £120 a day split by the participating Parish Councils. More information would be available after the next meeting0. | |
| 5 | TO APPROVE THE DRAFT MINTUES FROM February 2019 | |
| | Unanimously agreed to approve. | |
| 6 | MATTERS ARISING FROM MINUTES | |
| | The notice boards were to be installed this week. The Spa shop had agreed to install one on their shop and offered their workmen to carry out the work.- | CLERK |
| | The Clerk had previously reported the wall which is bulging on to the pavement on Caverswall Road. | |

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| | Cllr Mould asked if the tree at Delph House had been reported, the Clerk said No but she would report it. | |
| 7 | CORRESPONDANCE | |
| 7.1 | <p>Social Isolation</p> <p>Cllr Holmes presented some information he had received from a recent presentation regarding social isolation.</p> <p>He asked the Councillors to think about ways in which the isolated people of the Parish could be contacted.</p> <p>Cllr Mancey asked if the newsletter could be resurrected after the election and put on the agenda for June.</p> | CLERK |
| 7.2 | <p>Jubilee Gardens Email</p> <p>The Clerk had received an email regarding the area of scrub land in the centre of Jubilee Gardens. The area is being used for antisocial behaviour and a resident had asked if the area could be cleared.</p> <p>The Cllrs unanimously agreed to ask the lengthsman to clear the area asap.</p> | |
| 7.3 | <p>Youth Work provision</p> <p>This is deferred until after the results of the peracetic youth scheme from SMDC have been published.</p> | |
| 7.4 | <p>Consultation on the A521 Speed Limit</p> <p>The Parish Councillors welcomed the news of the possible reduction in the speed limit. This had been mentioned to the County Council many years ago and refused.</p> | |
| 7.5 | <p>Neighbourhood Plan</p> <p>The Clerk asked for permission to work with Draycott Parish for the Neighbourhood Plan. It was unanimously agreed to do this. The Clerk stated that the success of the plan is dependent on the Councillors taking ownership of the project and driving it forward.</p> | |

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| 7.6 | <p>Police Houses</p> <p>Chairman Jones stated that the Police Houses and ground were for sale and asked the Councillors if the Clerk could make enquiries as to the cost to purchase them and possible funding options.</p> <p>The Councillors unanimously agreed to ask the Clerk to investigate further.</p> | |
| 8 | PLANNING | |
| | <p>SMD/2019/0070 – Cash Heath Cottages – Erection of detached garden room</p> <p>No Objections</p> | CLERK |
| 8.2 | PLANNING APPROVAL / REFUSAL - | |
| | NONE | |
| 9 | CEMETERY | |
| | <p>The Clerk informed the meeting that the cemetery maintenance was up to date.</p> | CLERK |
| 10 | ENVIRONMENT AND ENVIRONMENT REPORT | |
| | <p>Chairman Jones reported the light on Footpath 12 adjacent to the Scout Hut. This had been repaired to a poor standard and was now leaning again.</p> <p>The bin next to the scout hut had not been ripped out and thrown at the scout hut.</p> <p>Chairman Jones reported that there was still a car parked on double yellow lines at the junction of the Avenue and Uttoxeter Road</p> <p>He also reported that a resident had complained about a caravan parked on the highway in Scarrat Drive</p> <p>Cllr Mancey informed everyone that the litter picking schedule was now in all the shops. The first one is 30.03.19.</p> <p>Cllr Bagnall asked for permission to plant daffodil bulbs by the notice board it was agreed that this was ok</p> | CLERK |

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| 11 | FINANCE | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| 11.1 | <p>APPROVE ACCOUNTS AND PAYMENT December</p> <p>The bank reconciliation was presented to the Council.</p> <table border="1" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse; margin-top: 10px;"> <tr> <td style="width: 33%;"></td> <td style="width: 33%;"></td> <td style="width: 33%;"></td> </tr> <tr> <td>SMDC</td> <td style="text-align: right;">1290</td> <td>Litter pick</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Dawn Plant</td> <td style="text-align: right;">1289.17</td> <td>Salary and expenses</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Staffs Pensions</td> <td style="text-align: right;">357.48</td> <td>Clerks Pension</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Town and Country</td> <td style="text-align: right;">1056</td> <td>Lengthsman</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SPCA Subs</td> <td style="text-align: right;">593</td> <td>Subs</td> </tr> <tr> <td>TPC</td> <td style="text-align: right;">80.00</td> <td>Mole Control</td> </tr> <tr> <td>SLCC</td> <td style="text-align: right;">36.00</td> <td>Training</td> </tr> </table> | | | | SMDC | 1290 | Litter pick | Dawn Plant | 1289.17 | Salary and expenses | Staffs Pensions | 357.48 | Clerks Pension | Town and Country | 1056 | Lengthsman | SPCA Subs | 593 | Subs | TPC | 80.00 | Mole Control | SLCC | 36.00 | Training | |
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| 12 | Fete Update | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |
| | <p>Chairman Jones asked if the Council wished to purchase spare chairs from the social club at a cost of £100 – This was agreed</p> <p>Cllr Morris asked if the Council wanted to purchase the tables from the Village Hall at a cost of £100 – This was agreed.</p> <p>Warwick Fayres were now booked.</p> <p>Cllr Herdman was checking with Chris Bond regarding military vehicles.</p> | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | | |

The meeting closed at 9pm