

FORSBROOK PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 16 November 2020 19:30 hours via Zoom

Members Present

Chairman Jones	Vice Chairman Herdman
Cllrs Felin	Cllr Holmes
Cllr Yates	Cllr McCready

In Attendance

Mrs Jane White	District Cllr Flunder
County Cllr Ward	Nat – Times and Echo

1. Apologies for Absence

<u>Cllr Darrant, Cllr Sandiford, Cllr Mould</u>

2. Declarations of Interest & 3.Register of Interests

<u>Item</u>	<u>Member</u>	<u>Nature</u>
Foxfield Steam Railway	Councillor A Mould	Volunteer at Foxfield Railway
Blythe Bridge Village Hall Committee	Councillor J Morris	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.
Planning	Cllr Holmes	Member of SMDC Planning Committee
SMDC	Cllr Herdman	Resident adjacent to local plan site

4	Minutes – To approve the minutes from October 2020	ACTION
	Unanimously agreed to approve as a true and accurate record	
5.	Residents issues - none	
6.	COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT	

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	<p>County Cllr Ward reported that Forsbrook Parish along with Caverswall had seen a dramatic spike in the number of COVID 19 cases and a number of pop up testing stations had been hosted in the area. He also reported that a meeting between the cabinet member for Highways and the Parish had been scheduled for 3rd December at 2pm to look at a number of ongoing issues including the state of the pavements on Uttoxeter Road.</p>	
6.	<p>INFORMATION AND REPORTS FROM REPRESENTITVES ATTENDING OUTSIDE MEETINS INCLUDING DISTRICT COUNCILLORS</p> <p>District Cllr Flunder, Herdman and Holmes extended their thanks for the recent efforts at Remebrance Day. Cllr Flunder urged any local groups to apply for funding from the community fund at Staffordshire County Council and asked the Parish Cllrs to spread the word. Cllr Flunder thanked the Clerk for submitting the response on the planning white paper. Full Council at SMDC was on 02.12.20</p>	
7	<p>CLERKS REPORT</p> <p>The Clerk reported that she had received an anonymous complaint which related to the minutes not on the web site. She apologised for overlooking this matter and it was now rectified. The Clerk gave an update on the matter of the lighting on the tree outside the library.</p>	CLERK
8	<p>CORRESPONDENCE</p> <p>The Clerk had circulated any email correspondence received</p>	CLERK
9	<p>Co-option</p> <p>Chairman Jones introduced Jane White whose co-option application had been forwarded to the Cllrs, he invited questions from the Cllrs. A unanimous decision was taken to cooption Mrs White onto Forsbrook Parish Council. The Clerk would arrange for the acceptance of office forms and relevant paperwork to be completed and sent to SMDC</p>	CLERK
10	<p>Police Post update</p>	

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	<p>District Cllr Flunder informed the Cllrs that the partnership of SMDC, SCC, The Care and Fun Club, Aspire Housing and Forsbrook Parish Council had been successful in the first round of negotiations and a bid of 430K had been accepted. The negotiations and investigations will now proceed to the second stage.</p> <p>Chairman Jones thanked Cllr Flunder's hard work and determination in driving this project forward.</p>	
11	<p>Budget considerations</p> <p>The Clerk had circulated the YTD figures and asked Councillors to give any consideration to projects they would like to include in the budget for 2021/22</p> <p>Chairman Jones asked for consideration to be given to providing allotments within the Parish. This would encompass Cllr Darrants ideas of providing a facility for parishioners to be able to grow their own vegetables.</p> <p>Cllr Holmes asked for a budget to be attributed to the SIDS and gateway signs.</p> <p>The Clerk would prepare the budget and present to the Cllrs for discussion at the December meeting.</p>	
12	<p>Child Poverty motion</p> <p>Cllr Sandiford was not present the item was not discussed.</p>	
13	<p>CEMETERY</p> <p>Nothing to report</p>	CLERK
14	<p>ENVIRONMENT AND ENVIRONMENT REPORT</p> <p>Nothing to report</p>	CLERK
15	<p>COUNCILLOR UPDATES</p> <p>Cllr Flunder reported that he had been tasked with looking at sustainable travel links. The Clerk explained that she had experience on this and Cllr Flunder would contact her for a catch up.</p> <p>Cllr McCready asked about the possibility of installing a pavement from the Cemetery to Boundary to allow children from Forsbrook to walk to Cheadle.</p> <p>Cllr Holmes advised he was having a meeting with the SPCA and SCC regarding devolution</p>	

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16	<p>APPROVE ACCOUNTS AND PAYMENT November 2020</p> <p>The bank reconciliation was presented to the Council.</p> <p>The Cheques approved for payment were:-</p> <p>403103 £175 AED Donate (replaces cheque incorrectly written from previous month)</p> <p>403104 Dawn Plant (salary , expenses) £2567.67 – includes purchase of Christmas lights</p> <p>403105 SLCC Reference books £154.50</p> <p>403106 Staffordshire Pensions £721.47</p> <p>403107 Town and Country (lengthsman) £1904.40</p> <p>403108 Tony Holmes (Cllr expenses incurred) £150</p> <p>403109 SLCC (annual virtual conference) £30</p> <p>403110 Quality Office Supplies £107.62</p>	
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The meeting closed at 8:15pm