

CHILTON FOLIAT PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES OF THE PARISH MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 10 NOVEMBER 2015

Present: Cllrs Nic Coome (Chairman), James Hynes, Paul Outridge, Sian Stokoe, Graham Francis (Clerk) and 9 members of the public.

1 **Apologies:** Lynne Quinton (family)

2 **Minutes of the Meeting held on 8 September 2015**

The minutes of the meeting held on 8 September having been circulated were taken as a true record approved and signed by the Chairman.

3 **Declarations of Interest:** Cllr Coome declared an interest in item 9 as a Director of a Company considering the purchase of 'The Wheatsheaf' public house.

4 **Outstanding matters arising from the minutes:** There were none.

5 **Planning:**

15/10556/FUL Erection of summerhouse at 11 The Groves – no objection

15/10871/TCA Works to trees as per Arboricultural Survey received 26 October 2015 at St Marys Church – no objection. This has since been approved by Wiltshire Council

6 **Recreation Ground:** Nothing further to report

The Chairman proposed that Standing Orders be suspended, seconded by Cllr Outridge.

7 *Ollie Hunter and Lauren Bransby, the new owners of the Wheatsheaf Public House were allowed to address the meeting. Ollie explained that a complete refurbishment of the Pub was being carried out and that a soft launch of the newly revitalised hostelry would take place on 20th November with live jazz and free canapés all night. Their grand vision is to rejuvenate the pub into a place full of delicious food and drink, live music, art and fun. The Chairman thanked Ollie and Lauren for their presentation and wished them luck with their venture.*

Standing Orders re-instated

8 **Report back from CATG:**

The Chairman reported that the CATG system is not working as well as it should, mainly as a result of failures after approval has been given. In this regard, Wiltshire Council's contractor, Balfour Beatty, will shortly be relieved of their contract.

A new system for handling "Freight Management" requests is being implemented. These issues are mainly around lorry flows along certain roads and through villages. The B4001 (Stag Hill) is on the list. Next meeting is 17 December.

9 **Bus Shelter:**

In the absence of Cllr Quinton the Clerk reported that correspondence with Mark Boulton had taken place but no firm start date for the work had been given.

10 **Charity Accounts:**

Cllr Coome proposed, seconded by Cllr Hynes that the income from the Dame Elizabeth Pearce fund which appears to be connected with the Village Hall should be given directly to the Village Hall Committee annually. This was approved nem con.

Councillors were asked again to consider other ways of disposing of this income.

11 Clerk's Contract of Employment:

The revised contract as approved at the last meeting was signed by the Chairman.

12 FINANCE

a)	Present financial position:	Parish Account	£3998.16
		Charity Account	£3593.76
b)	Payments	G Francis quarterly salary	£534.11 (paid)
		HMRC PAYE	£126.80 (paid)
		Scofell Landscapes Sept gds mtn	£234.00 (VAT 39.00)
		Scofell Landscapes Oct gds mtn	£234.00 (VAT 39.00)
		Chairman's expenses	£17.15
c)	Receipts	Nil	

The payments at (b) were approved by Cllr Outridge seconded by Cllr Stokoe and agreed nem con.

- d) Budget 2016/2017
The Clerk presented Council with a budget statement which anticipated an end of year surplus in 2017 of £6417 and recommended no change to the Precept of £6,600. **After discussion Cllr Coome proposed, seconded by Cllr Outridge that the Precept for 2016/2017 be £6,600.** This was agreed nem con.

- e) Bank reconciliation
Cllr Outridge received the relevant documents and signed off the Bank Reconciliation.

13 Correspondence, matters of parochial interest and items for next agenda:

The Chairman had received a request for a donation to churchyard maintenance which he considered was a village amenity and could therefore be justified. He proposed a donation of £290 in the next financial year. This was seconded by Cllr Stokoe and approved nem con.

A Grant for the Village Hall was also considered. Cllr Coome proposed the same amount for the Village Hall less the figure from the Dame Elizabeth Pearce fund as discussed in item 10. This was seconded by Cllr Outridge and agreed nem con.

Cllr Coome reported that he had met with Andrew Fisher, the son of Peter Fisher, ex Chairman of the Council who died a year ago. Andrew was keen to donate a bench in his father's memory to be placed in Fairyland. Cllr Coome suggested an alternative site might be the new Recreation Ground. It was agreed that this should be an agenda item for the March meeting. **GF**

Cllr Coome reported that a marker had been put down with Wiltshire Highways for the provision of SIDS (Speed Indicator devices) in the New Year.

14 Dates of next meetings:

The next meetings of the Parish Council will be on **Tuesday 12 January 2016** and Tuesday 8 March 2016 both at 8.00 pm

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 21.10

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Signed.....Chairman

Date.....

