

CHILTON FOLIAT PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 12 September 2017

Present: Cllrs Nic Coome (Chairman), James Hynes, Steve Campbell, Paul Outridge, Lynne Quinton, Sian Stokoe, Rachel Sutton and 0 members of public

1 Apologies: None

2 Minutes of the Meeting held on 11 July 2017

The minutes of the meeting held on 11 July 2017 having been circulated were taken as a true record approved and signed by the Chairman.

3 Declarations of Interest

There were none.

4 New Clerk

James Hynes has been in contact with a potential clerk. He and Paul Outridge undertook to discuss further, in particular over the financial aspect of the work. **JH/PO**

5 Planning

No new items.

The Chairman reported that the Planning Officer at Wiltshire Council has no new information concerning the Recreation Ground development and undertook to follow this up. **NC**

6 Wi Fi for Village Hall

This has yet to be discussed by the Village Hall Management Committee. Cllr Quinton undertook to seek its inclusion at the next available Village Hall Management Committee Meeting. **LQ**

7 Village Gates

A meeting is to be arranged with the local Highways Engineer to determine positions etc. **NC**

8 M4 Diversions

The Chairman reported that he has been offered the chance to participate in developing proposals for revising the diversionary routes. **NC**

9 Parish Steward

The weeds on the bridge have been sprayed and the footpath swept. This item was removed from the list. It was noted that whilst the weight restriction sign has been remounted on its post, it is so badly worn as to be of no use. Pressure will be applied for its replacement. The potholes on Leverton Land adjacent to the junction with the B4192 were added to the list. By agreement, the responsibility for the list and for liaison with the Parish Steward was passed to Cllr. Campbell. **SC**

11 Finance

The external audit has been received. It contains one matter for criticism, namely that the Auditor did not feel that Council adequately addressed the issue of risk.

The following bills were presented to Council for payment.

2 outstanding bills for grass cutting for July and August £195 + £39 VAT x 3 = £468

Chairman's expenses £48.88

Total £516.88 payments

The Chairman did not take part in the vote.

Cllr Hynes proposed, Cllr Outridge seconded and the payments approved.

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

The Chairman has received an email from the Rector Rev. Simon Weedon, concerning the potential donation of money for work in the churchyard. Council has previously agreed that it is appropriate to consider a contribution towards grass cutting. The other matter concerns a large donation towards work on trees to correct a lack of maintenance over many years. Cllr Hynes reported that the legal position regarding Parish Council donations to places of worship has recently come under scrutiny and the legal position is currently in question. Until this is resolved, Council felt it wise to take no action on this second potential donation until the position is resolved. The Chairman will respond to Rev. Weedon. **NC**

13 Dates of next meetings:

The next meetings of the Parish Council will be on Tuesday 14 November and Tuesday 9 January 2018 all at 8.00 pm.

Meeting was closed at 8:35pm.

Note: All initials in Bold Type require Action

Signed.....Chairman

Date.....