

**MINUTES of the MEETING of FEERING PARISH COUNCIL held on  
TUESDAY 15<sup>th</sup>. November 2016 at 7.30pm in the PARISH COUNCIL OFFICE,  
FEERING COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Present: Cllr P. Lees (Chairman), Cllr. K. Evans, Cllr. C. Newton, Cllr. J. Inglis, Cllr L. Blackburn, Cllr M. Bonner and Kevin Money (Clerk to the Council).

Members of the Public: 0

**155/2016 Chairman Welcome**

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

**156/2016 Apologies for Absence** were received from ECC Lady P. Newton, District Councillor R. Mitchell, Cllr H. Edwards, Cllr M. Eddolls & Cllr M. Lakin

**157/2016 Declaration of Interest**

To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary, Pecuniary or non-Pecuniary Interest relating to items on the Agenda

No Councillor had any Disclosable Pecuniary, Pecuniary or non-Pecuniary Interest relating to items on the Agenda to declare.

**158/2016 To approve the Minutes of the last meeting of Feering Parish Council**

To receive and agree the minutes of the last meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup>. October 2016

Cllr C. Newton proposed and Cllr J. Inglis seconded that the minutes are a true and accurate record of the meeting. **This was agreed unanimously**

**159/2016 Public Question Time**

The Chairman invited questions and observations from members of the public present. A maximum time of 15 minutes was allowed.

No public was present therefore no questions were asked

**160/2016 Clerks Report**

- Social Media course for the Clerk 07.02.17 (£12.50p)

The Councillors agreed unanimously to the above course being undertaken by the Clerk

- Councillor Training days for Cllr C. Newton 11<sup>th</sup>. & 18<sup>th</sup>. July 2017 (£150)

The Councillors agreed unanimously to the above course being undertaken by Cllr Newton

- Raising the Profile of FPC
  - a. Facebook

Cllr C. Newton agreed to meet with the Clerk to set-up Facebook and to go live

- b. Website

The Clerk informed the meeting that the website is up-to-speed but needs re-formatting

- c. Media

The Clerk to send a press release to the Tribune and the Parish Magazine editors

- d. Play equipment

Cllr P. Lees proposed that the clerk be authorised to go ahead and get an opening plate made.

This was seconded by Cllr K. Evans. **This was agreed unanimously**

- Grievance policy to be circulated and discussed at the December meeting

The Clerk distributed the draft Grievance policy to Councillors for adoption at the December meeting.

- Street lighting contract with A&J Lighting

Cllr L. Blackburn proposed and Cllr K. Evans seconded that the A&J Lighting contract be accepted. **This was agreed unanimously**

- Handyman update from last meeting

- a. GG Adams has informed the clerk that he will be quoting for 2017/18 contract
- b. Jobs completed

The Clerk distributed the jobs that the Handyman had completed since the last Parish Council meeting.

## **161/2016 District Councillor Report**

No report was given

## **162/2016 Planning Matters**

- Report on Planning Meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup>. October 2016

Cllr K. Evans informed the meeting regarding the planning application and decision made by BDC

- Minutes of Planning meeting held on 18<sup>th</sup>. October 2016

The Clerk circulated the minutes of then planning meeting to Councillors

- Report on Planning Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup>. November 2016

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## **163/2016 G. G. Adams Garden & Maintenance Services**

- Any issues to report

Brambles at Prested Hall coming onto path Bridge over A12 (Highways England/Prested Hall)

Fence to railway bridge in New Lane and concrete posts in road (ECC/Network Rail)

Footpath to A12 London Bound (R. Mitchell Highway Rangers)

Orange tape on bridge at A12 to be removed

Leaves on Footpath 16 and Rye Mill Lane

- PROW

Nothing to report

## **164/2016 Highways & Transport**

- VTAG report from Cllr M. Bonner

Cllr M. Bonner informed the meeting that there is a meeting tomorrow afternoon regarding lobbying the right people. Cllr K. Evans asked Cllr M. Bonner for traffic figures as this will also be helpful for the NP committee. Cllr M. Bonner to report back at the December meeting.

- A12 & A120 Community Forum meeting update from Cllr K. Evans

Cllr K. Evans informed the meeting that she supports what Cllr M. Bonner has already stated. In January 2017 ECC/Essex Highways will decide on the final 5 proposals for the alteration of the A12 and the re-modelling.

- Letter to Priti Patel seeking her support for multi-way junction

Cllr K. Evans suggested that Councillors wait until the traffic data is received. Cllr M. Bonner to report to the Clerk after the VTAG meeting on Wednesday 16.11.16. Cllr P. Lees proposed, in principle, of sending a letter before the data is released. It was agreed by Councillors to wait until after the data has been released unless it must be sent before the next Parish Council meeting.

**This was agreed unanimously**

## **165/2016 Representative Reports**

- FCA Management meeting – to be advised at December meeting

- Neighbourhood Plan

a. Update from Cllr L. Blackburn

Cllr L. Blackburn said that the meeting on the 14<sup>th</sup>. November was again a very productive one.

Cllr P. Lees explained that it has not been easy to secure the funding available to the NP groups from “My Community”. The Focus groups have been working hard with several meetings. We are at present working on the Introduction and the Village at Present section of the skeleton plan. We will also be working towards an exhibition/fact finding day in February, which will be useful to the group but also assist in publicity to further engage the public in the process. We will be meeting with Kelvedon NP group on 28<sup>th</sup>. November.

b. BDC Local plan meeting update from Cllr K. Evans

Cllr K. Evans having attended the BDC local plan meeting informed Councillors that she has sent an email clarifying the meeting dates of the Local Plan meeting. The only date is the 12<sup>th</sup>. January 2017.

- EALC / BALC report – No report was given at this meeting
- Playing Field committee report – Cllr P. Lees

Cllr P. Lees informed the meeting there has not been a playing field meeting but Cllr M. Lakin and Cllr P. Lees met with Head of the school and the chair of the IEB.

- PRow & Cycleway Committee report – Cllr K. Evans

Cllr K. Evans informed the meeting that there is nothing more to add.

Cllr M. Bonner stated that Lady Meadow be negotiated placing a footpath down to the river. The fishing club (KDAC) owns the land and has agreed to a permissible right of way. Place on the open spaces list for any S106 monies.

- Network Rail update from Cllr K. Evans

Cllr K. Evans informed the meeting that there is nothing to say. Cllr K. Evans has completed the questionnaire and sent it back to Network Rail.

- Rivenhall Incinerator update from Cllr K. Evans

Cllr K. Evans informed the meeting that there has not been another meeting. However, Cllr C. Newton informed the meeting that Priti Patel went to a meeting together with 100 residents.

#### **166/2016 Finance**

Credit Received: £1,000 Rotary donation: £60 Feering Utd FC					
Chq No.	Inv. No.	Payee	Cost	VAT	Total
DD	Nov. '16	Orange Broadband	£ 16.14	£ 3.23	£ 19.37
DD	Nov. '16	EON	£ 92.31	£ 4.62	£ 96.93
S/O	Nov. '16	G. G. Adams Garden Maintenance Service Handyman	£ 730.00	£0	£ 730.00
S/O	Nov. '16	G. G. Adams Garden Maintenance Service - Verges	£ 183.00	£0	£ 183.00
104742	Nov. '16	K. Money Salary – Nov. '16	£ 849.03	£0	£ 849.03
104743	Nov. '16	HMRC Tax on Nov. '16 salary	£ 293.28	£0	£ 293.28
104744	Nov. '16	ECC – Nov. Clerk Pension	£ 278.47	£0	£ 278.47
104745	7378/7406	EALC – Chairman's day 2&3	£ 150.00	£0	£ 150.00
104746	6510689	BDC – Amenity vehicle	£ 167.00	£33.40	£ 200.40
		Total:	£2759.23	£41.25	£2800.48

The above expenditure was proposed to be paid by Cllr P. Lees and seconded by Cllr. M. Bonner  
**This was agreed unanimously**

The RFO asked Councillors to agree a donation to the Royal British Legion of £50 instead of giving a wreath. This was proposed by Cllr M. Bonner and seconded by Cllr C. Newton

**This was agreed unanimously**

- Full Bank Statements to be circulated to Councillors at the meeting

The RFO circulated the 2016/17 bank statements and budget figures to Councillors

#### **167/2016 Councillors to agree budget and precept for 2017/18**

Following the Budget and Precept meeting on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup>. November 2016 Cllr C. Newton proposed and Cllr L. Blackburn seconded that a Precept of £52087 be applied from BDC. Which represents a 10.92% rise on last year's Precept. The RFO informed Councillors that the BDC Localism Grant was reduced by a third to £3107 in 2017/18. It will be further cut to £1554 in 2018/19 and £0 in 2019/20. **F5 Ag0 Ab1**

#### **168/2016 Items for Next Agenda**

**Date of Next Full Council meeting Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup>. DECEMBER 2016 at 7.30pm**  
**Cllr K. Evans gave her apologies in advance**

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.20pm and thanked everyone for attending

Signed.....20<sup>th</sup>. December 2016

**Paul Lees**

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