

Figheldean Parish Council

(draft until signed at next meeting)

Minutes of meeting held 23rd January 2019 in the Village Hall

Present

Cllr John Menzies Chairman
Cllr Jackie Dryden Vice Chairman
Cllr John Yelland
Cllr Meg Try
Carol Watton Clerk

Eight members of the public.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 7.30pm and welcomed all present, and invited members of the public to raise any points of interest.

A discussion took place regarding progress at the Mill Pool and Mill Lane, Cllr Amison had met with some of the residents recently where options were discussed. It was asked if all interested residents could be contacted regarding the issues and suggested that the rest of the village could be made aware that there is to be a working group.

There was a discussion regarding Syrencot House and a recent Licensing Application to Wiltshire Council. The Parish Council were asked to raise concerns, on behalf of residents, regarding noise nuisance. The clerk will liaise with Kat Gallagher as point of contact for residents.

Katie Crothers asked if funds were available to improve the play park. Clerk to send details of companies who supply equipment to Katie, who will come back to the Parish Council with ideas and costings. Enquiries to be made at Wiltshire Council regarding items in the playground at St Michael's. Cllr Dryden has stated that the Climbing Wall in the Village Hall is looking for a new home.

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	ACTION
55	Apologies: Apologies were received from Cllr Cole Cllr Amison and Wiltshire Councillor Smale.	
56	Declaration of Interests: There were none	

57	The Minutes of the meeting of 21st November 2018 were agreed and signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr Yelland and seconded by Cllr Dryden.	
58	<p>Matters arising from last minutes:</p> <p>Multi Court – contractor is to visit in February with an aim of completing the cleaning and painting of the court in the Spring.</p> <p>Royal Artillery Museum - Clerk gave a brief summary of the meeting held in December. A public meeting is to be held soon.</p>	DA
59	Chairman’s Report – nothing reported	
60	Other Organisations Reports – no other organisations were in attendance.	

61	<p>Parish Councillors Reports:</p> <p>Cllr John Yelland – Wiltshire and Swindon Police and Crime Commissioner, Angus Macpherson is looking for feedback from Local residents on policing, and whether they would be prepared to pay an extra two pounds a month, on average, for more officers in the county. The policing precept is collected with our Council Tax and goes directly to the Police and Crime Commissioner where 98% is allocated to the Chief Constable and the remaining 2% to the PCC's office for commissioned services which includes supporting victims of crime and restorative justice. This would raise the average Wiltshire household contribution to £17.19 per month. It was agreed that the Parish Council had no objections to this rise.</p> <p>The latest available crime figures available are for November 2018 which show there were seven incidents; 2 anti-social offence, 1 offence of theft, 2 violent crimes and 2 vehicle crimes.</p> <p>Cllr Yelland encouraged everyone to join the Community Messaging Service to receive alerts regarding crime, scams and neighbourhood watch etc.</p> <p>There appears to be a few irresponsible dog owners who are still failing to pick up their dog poo.</p> <p>Cllr Meg Try – nothing to report</p> <p>Cllr Jackie Dryden – Nothing to report</p>	
62	<p>Report by Wiltshire Councillor Smale – apologies received</p>	

Clerks Report:

Bank Balance as at 22nd January 2019 is **£22,158.84**

Expenditure since the last meeting

HSBC Bank Charges	£12.00		
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Litter & Dog Bin Emptying	£300.00		
Commercial Waste	£42.22		
Grass Cutting etc.	£1261.92		
WALC Training	£78.00		
Parish Magazine	£39.33		
Total Expenditure	£1733.47	Since last meeting	

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65	Public footpath to the rear of Pollen Close – SSE Engineer has visited the site and taken photographs and has assured the clerk that he will arrange for the path to be returned to its original state.	Clerk
66	Syrencot House – see public discussion above.	
67	State of Roads and footpaths in the village – Cllr Jackie Dryden asked for details to be sent to her, as she has the dates for the Parish Steward and will direct him to the repairs needed.	JD
68	Date of next meeting Wednesday 27 th March 2019 at 7.30pm Chairman closed the meeting at 8.45pm	

SignedChairman Date