

Flax Bourton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting

Held on Monday 10 February 2020 at the Village Hall, Flax Bourton

- 051⁽¹⁹⁾ **To note those in attendance and receive apologies** - Members present were noted as Councillors: J Moss (Chair), G Coombs, S Ellis, A Crawford, N Baillie and C Walker (*arrived at 19.35*). **Apologies** – none received.
Also present: L Roslyn, Clerk.
- 052⁽¹⁹⁾ **To receive any declarations of interest in items on the agenda and to consider any written applications for dispensations** - There were no declarations of interest received.
- 053⁽¹⁹⁾ It was **resolved to approve** the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 13 January 2020 and they were duly signed by the Chair.
- 054⁽¹⁹⁾ **Public Forum Session** – no matters raised.
- 055⁽¹⁹⁾ **Planning, Licensing and Development**
- a) **North Somerset Council Local Plan** - Cllr J Moss advised that the Bristol Airport Expansion planning application was being considered tonight by the North Somerset Council (NSC) planning committee. She gave an update on a letter received from NSC Cllr James Tonkin on the proposed adoption of the Joint Local Transport Plan 4 (JLTP4), that we commented on in March 2019 raising a number of significant concerns. She said that the working group would look at drafting a letter raising our areas of concern and make representations on the development of the new NSC Local Plan, especially in relation to transport. Cllr G Coombs agreed to liaise with James Tonkin to arrange a meeting with himself and Cllr J Moss to discuss the NSC Local Plan.
 - b) Other planning matters –the Clerk advised that there had been no breach of planning control at the old Esso Tank Site and planning enforcement have closed the case.
- 056⁽¹⁹⁾ **Finance**
- a) It was **resolved to approve** the monthly accounts statement and new invoices totalling £1,301.34 and the cheques were duly signed.
 - b) It was **noted** that the application for the new Treasurers Account (No. 56047260) with Lloyds Bank had been completed. It was **resolved to approve** the closure of the NatWest Current Account (No. 05007518) and Business Reserve Account (No. 41008014) and to request that the funds be transferred to the new Lloyds Bank Treasurers Account (No. 56047260). Cllrs J Moss and S Ellis duly signed the letter authorising this action.
 - c) It was **resolved to approve** awarding the Grounds Maintenance Contract for Farleigh Green Playing Fields for 2020-2021 to Idverde Ltd., subject to clarification of 2 points by the Clerk, at an annual cost of £817.21 (excl. VAT) (subject to possible changes).
 - d) It was **resolved to approve** awarding the Dog Waste Bin Emptying Contract for 2020-2021 to Greenways Grounds Maintenance at an annual cost of £1,872.00 (excl VAT).
 - e) It was **resolved to approve** the purchase of an aluminium safety sign for the play area from Stocksigns Ltd. at a cost of £136.55 (excl. VAT). Cllrs N Baillie and C Walker volunteered to install the sign.
 - f) It was **resolved not to approve** the expenditure for vinyl stickers for the dog waste bins as it was hoped that the matter would be resolved with a new contract in place.
- 057⁽¹⁹⁾ **Highways - A370** - Cllr G Coombs gave an update on the response from David Bailey, Senior Engineer, NSC Highways. It was agreed that he would contact Long Ashton Parish

Council to get feedback on the effectiveness of their Speed Indicator Device and to move forward with an initial request for village gateways and the moving of some of the 30mph signs.

- 058⁽¹⁹⁾ **Councillor Roles and Responsibilities** – it was **resolved to appoint** Councillors in the following roles:
- a) Village Hall, Playing Field and Play Area – no additional Cllr, to assist Cllrs S Ellis, J Moss and the Clerk.
 - b) Village School – to liaise with the school – Cllr N Baillie and Cllr A Crawford.
 - c) Traffic Calming on A370 – Cllr C Walker, to assist Cllrs G Coombs and S Ellis.
 - d) Village Notice Board at Farleigh Green – to hold key and post notices as required – Cllr N Baillie.
- 059⁽¹⁹⁾ **Designated Community Land** – no update received.
- 060⁽¹⁹⁾ **Village Orderly** – the Clerk advised that she had contacted the Village Hall CIC following a report from the Village Orderly about leaking gutters at the Hall.
- 061⁽¹⁹⁾ The **Clerk's Report** was received. (Forms part of these minutes and is available on request from the Clerk). Cllr A Crawford volunteered to organise a Village Tidy-up to take place in May 2020.
- 062⁽¹⁹⁾ The date of the next meeting of the Parish Council was noted as **Monday 16 March 2020**** in the Village Hall, starting at **7.30pm** (** date changed from 9 March).

Chairman.....

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