

## MINUTES OF MEETING

<b>Name of Meeting</b>	Ordinary Princethorpe Parish Council Meeting
<b>Date, Time and Venue of Meeting</b>	Thursday 9 <sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 7.30pm in Our Lady's School
<b>Meeting Chair</b>	Cllr Andy Cook (AC)
<b>Minute Taker</b>	Mrs Helen Stewart (HS)
<b>Attendees</b>	Cllr William Ratcliffe (WR), Cllr Phil Brown (PB), and Cllr Kevin Spencer (KS), Cllr Howard Roberts (HR), Cllr Peter Eccleson (PE) and three members of the public
<b>Apologies</b>	Cllr Chris Glasspool

### Public Forum

Accident at A423 and Fosse Way junction

Agenda Number	Minute	Action	Date for Completion
1.	<b>Apologies</b> Cllr Chris Glasspool.	No Action	
2.	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> There were no declarations of interest.		
3.	<b>Minutes from Last Month's Meeting</b> The minutes were signed by Cllr Cook as a true and accurate record of the meeting which took place on 26 <sup>th</sup> November 2019.	No Action	
4.	<b>Actions from the minutes</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>a. The advert for the community litter pick on 21<sup>st</sup> March 2020 has been forwarded to the pendulum team and a poster will be produced for the noticeboards.</li> <li>b. The trees on Fosse Way near the playground have been assessed by Offa Tree Surgeons who recommend some pruning works. KS to look into alternative quotes and speak to Western Power.</li> <li>c. HS has been in touch with the college and primary school to arrange a meeting but needs to clarify the availability of Cllr Cook.</li> </ul>	No Action  KS  HS	
5.	<b>County &amp; Borough Councillors Issues</b> Cllrs Roberts and Eccleson after the start of the meeting and gave the following update:- WCC is looking at the <b>shortage of NHS GPs</b> within the division and parking around the surgeries. There may be a consultation on this coming out. <b>Climate Change</b> is high on the agenda nationally and at a local level. RBC requires support from Parish Councils to reduce emissions in our area. There may be a possible funding source from WCC to LED lighting within certain areas. HS to email HR regarding this. The new <b>fire station</b> at Thurleston will be built within approximately 5 years. <b>Warwickshire constabulary</b> are now complete after a recruitment drive and a new rural policing group has been formed within this. Cllr Cook enquired about <b>flood prevention</b> within our area. WCC has invested in pumps however there is nowhere to pump it to. There was a lengthy discussion about the flooding problem and the risk to the children who attend Our Lady's school.	HS	

	The Borough and County Councillors were thanks by the Parish Councillors present at the meeting for attending and giving a comprehensive report.		
6.	<b>Planning Matters</b> There were no planning applications to consider.		
7.	<b>Street Lighting</b> E.ON are unable to repair mercury and sodium street lights going forward therefore as they fail they need to be either removed or replaced with steel columns and LED lights. It was agreed that the Parish Council should look to replace the lights to the latest highways' specification. It will cost approximately £900 per light. The lights on Leamington Rd are very dim, particularly around the entrance to the school and walking alongside the brook. HR suggested that we could get some money from the County Council to fund lighting near the school particularly as there is a brook running close by. HS to email him for more details.	HS	
8.	<b>Correspondence</b> There was no correspondence received.	No Action	
9a.	<b>Finances</b> The payments for January were agreed:- Helen Stewart (Salary) - £423.80 E.ON (maintenance) - £97.42 E.ON (electricity) - £214.62 HMRC (PAYE) - £194.78 WCC (hall hire) - £80.00	No Action	
9b.	<b>Finances</b> It was agreed that Cllr Spencer should approve the payments along with the clerk for the month of February.	No Action	
9c.	<b>Finances</b> The Parish Council scrutinised the draft budget for 2020-21. Following a proposal from KS which was seconded by AC it was agreed unanimously that the precept request this year should be £13,436.00 to allow the replacement of two lights within 2020-21. This is an increase of 29%, which means there will be approximately an 34p per week increase to the council tax of band D properties.	No Action	
10.	<b>Any Other Business</b> Casual Vacancy – Cllr Glasspool Speed limit 30mph signs flashing.		
11.	<b>Date of Next Meeting</b> The next meeting of Princethorpe Parish Council will take place on Thursday 12 <sup>th</sup> March 2020 7.30pm Our Lady School. 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2020 - AGM	No Action	

Meeting closed 8.50pm.