

FROCESTER PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON WEDNESDAY 21ST JANUARY 2015 AT 7.30PM AT CRICKET CLUB

Present: Cllrs. David Holpin (Chair), Wendy Hawkins, Bill Flude, Jane Davis and Bob Hill

1. Apologies: None
2. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 25th November 2014 were read and approved by councillors and signed by the Chairman.
3. Finance: The financial report to the council stated that the bank balance was £1,878 after receipt of the second precept payment from SDC. However, a number of expenses were due to be paid - £173.70 to Cllr. Holpin for war memorial gravel; £50 to Frocester Cricket Club for meeting room rental; £200 to Frocester Parochial Church Council for graveyard maintenance; and £50 for Poppy Appeal.

It was agreed that the precept for 2015/2016 should remain the same as last year at £1,100. The Local Council Tax Support Grant awarded to Frocester Parish Council for 2015/2016 is £12.

4. Highways: After some confusion over who is responsible for informing residents of road closures in the parish it was agreed that the Parish Council would make best effort to inform all affected parties. This arises from the closure of Leonard Stanley Road in December when neither the highways department nor the contractors had adequately informed residents living along the affected road.

There is continued concern, expressed by Cllr Holpin, for the slippage of the bank on Frocester Hill opposite Hill Farm. It was agreed that contact would again be made with Richard Gray, Local Highways Manager (Cotswold South). Cllr. Flude stated that the finger post outside the George Inn was missing and he had informed SDC in December 2014. It was also noted that the low wooden fencing on the road side outside of Osborne House in Bath Road have been in a dangerous condition for a long time. Again, highways will be informed.

5. Planning: No new applications have been received for the parish. The councillors discussed the possibility that the occupation of the Hill Farm Barns premises appears to be for general residential use and not for holiday accommodation and stated in the conditions attached to the planning permission.
6. Any Other Business: The meeting was informed that the clerk had spoken to a representative of Quality Inns with regard to Listed Building Consent for work being carried out on The George Inn. The pub owners were under the impression that none of the work required an application for LBC. This matter has been left to the SDC conservation department and Quality Inns.

The date of the next meeting was set for the 11th March 2015 at the Cricket Club.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm.