

FROCESTER PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON WEDNESDAY 18TH NOVEMBER 2015 AT 7.30PM AT CRICKET CLUB

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

1. Apologies: None
2. The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 22nd September 2015 were read, approved by councillors and signed by the Chairman.
3. Matters arising:
 - a. The councillors were informed that the notice of casual vacancy had been posted on the parish noticeboard and that Stroud District Council would inform the parish council after fourteen working days if there was a need for an election. This has now been received and the vacancy will be filled by co-option.
 - b. The provision of a defibrillator for the village is an ongoing investigation by Cllr. Davis.
 - c. The new garden waste collection service was discussed and it was agreed that the SDC leaflets should be distributed as appropriate. This garden waste service will cost £36 annually with a one-off £20 charge for a bin.
4. Finance:
 - a. The bank balance was reported to be £1,569.99.
 - b. The parish council has been asked to open a separate bank account to receive payments from Cambridge Solar Power Limited. These payments will be made each year for 25 years, 0.68% (i.e. 6 out of 877 total residential addresses within 2.75km of the centre of the site) of £1,000 per MW under the 1.4 RoC (Renewable Obligation Certificate) regime of the installed capacity of the solar farm. The new account has been opened and Quintas Energy has acknowledged this.
 - c. It was agreed that the council should send £40 in support of the Poppy Appeal.
5. Highways:
 - a. The new finger post outside the Frocester George has been damaged with the Leonard Stanley arm hanging down; this will be repaired by the clerk.
 - b. The quality and care taken in cutting the grass verge in Peter Street was again discussed as was the state of Frocester Hill.
6. Planning:
 - a. The councillors were informed that the SDC planning application for the proposed replacement of an existing single storey extension at School House with a two-storey and single-storey extensions had been approved.
 - b. Councillors expressed a need to better understand their parish responsibility for trees that overhang the road and for dangerous trees that should be felled.

The next meeting was set for Wednesday 20th November 2016 at 7.30pm in the cricket club. The meeting closed at 8.15pm.