

FROCESTER PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON WEDNESDAY 12TH JULY 2017 AT 7.30PM AT CRICKET CLUB

Present were Cllrs. David Holpin, Peter Williams, and Jane Davis. Also present was Cllr. Loraine Patrick, our local Gloucestershire County Council representative.

1. Apologies: Bill Flude (Chair), Wendy Hawkins (vice Chair) – Cllr. Holpin stood in as chair in the absence of Cllr Flude.
2. The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 17th May 2017 were read, approved by councillors and signed by the acting Chair.
3. Matters arising
 - a. In matters arising the ongoing efforts to improve the effluent drainage from the Frocester George were discussed – improvements have been made on the premises and agreement has been reached with Pounds Close Recreation Ground charity for an improved drainage in Pounds Close.
 - b. The provision of a defibrillator has been agreed by the councillors, funds are available from council reserves (over £1,000 is required), and a suitable location in the centre of Frocester is being sought.
 - c. The management of the telephone kiosk lending library is now in the hands of Jan Jewkes for which the council is extremely grateful.
 - d. There was a short discussion on the Frocester Beer Festival (25th-26th August 2017) which the council supports and collective support voiced for the Frocester Cricket Club Festival Day and Official Opening (Sunday 23rd July 2017) to which everyone was invited.
4. Finance
 - a. The bank statements showed balances of £3,425.22 and £138.69. The full financial details are available on the parish council website.
 - b. The annual return was sent to Grant Thornton and receipt was acknowledged. As per the return, it was agreed that earmarked reserves should be identified for a new Frocester Parish Council seating bench, annual website support costs & the provision of a defibrillator.
5. Highways
 - a. A request had been received from Amey LG Ltd asking Frocester Parish Council to identify the name of the parish snow warden and the parish snow plough operator – in both cases this is Matthew Price of Court Farm.
 - b. Cllr Patrick suggested that the clerk should contact Dursley Town Council who have experience of conducting a traffic speed survey that could help Frocester.
6. Planning
 - a. A short discussion on social housing for Frocester found agreement but may be hindered by a lack of suitable sites that would need to be transferred to council ownership and by the planning policies as they apply to Frocester including the protection given to settlements outside of any identified development limit, policy CP15.

The next meeting was set for Wednesday 13th September 2017 at 7.30pm in the cricket club. The meeting closed at 9.00pm.