

FROCESTER PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON WEDNESDAY 15TH NOVEMBER 2017 AT 7.30PM AT CRICKET CLUB

Present were Cllrs. Bill Flude (Chair), Wendy Hawkins (vice Chair), David Holpin, Peter Williams, and Jane Davis. Also present was Mr Arthur Price, our local Frocester historian. There were no apologies.

1. The Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13th September 2017 were read, approved by councillors and signed by the Chair
2. Matters arising
 - a. The ongoing efforts to improve the Frocester George effluent was discussed – Cllr. Williams continues to liaise with Phil Park of SDC but progress in the discussions between the various parties is slow. The percolation test results were reported as being unsatisfactory. Mr Price suggested that digging the ditch downstream of the septic tanks might help to increase the flow.
 - b. The most appropriate location for defibrillator was discussed with the red telephone kiosk or the Frocester George being the most likely options. This will be discussed with the owners of the Frocester George.
 - c. The condition of the War Memorial was discussed at length with Mr Price concluding that the stonework was in good condition and should not be subjected to anything more than a clean with water. Further discussion of the need to control vehicle parking on the memorial focused on the kerbs, corner posts and possibly chains between.
3. Finance
 - a. Bank account - £4,278.60 + £138.69
 - b. We have received the SDC precept of £550.00 and Cambridge Solar Power has been invoiced for the community benefit of £204.02
 - c. The monthly British Gas electricity bill for the red phone box is £1.58
 - d. It was agreed that earmarked reserves could be spent on the defibrillator and playground equipment.
4. Highways
 - a. The Vulnerable Road User Road Safety Signs that have been erected in Peter Street by Pat and Colin Harris patandcolin.harris@gmail.com who work for the Mid Cotswold Tracks & Trails Group were discussed, this installation was with the approval of Gloucestershire Road Safety Partnership. Andrew Middlecote also gave for permission and the parish has been asking for a contribution to the cost which was £241. This will be discussed with MCTTG.
 - b. The 30 mph signs in Peter Street will be discussed with Andrew Middlecote and also the possibility of making the limit 30 mph extend all the way from Eastington to Frocester.
 - c. The provision of cost effective speed signs will be researched further.
5. Planning
 - a. The councillors were asked to comment on S.17/2344/LBC Change of use of Coach House and erection of glass extension to the Coach House, new gates and entrance within the curtilage of a listed building. No objections to the plans were voiced.
 - b. There was concern expressed at the lack of knowledge about The Manor and its future.

The next meeting was set for Wednesday 17th January 2018 at 7.30pm in the cricket club. The meeting closed at 9.00pm.