

FROCESTER PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING ON WEDNESDAY 19TH JANUARY 2019 AT 7.30PM AT CRICKET CLUB

Present was Cllrs. Bill Flude (Chair), Wendy Hawkins (vice Chair), David Holpin, Jane Davis and Peter Williams.

1. Apologies none
2. The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 21st November 2018 were read, approved by councillors and signed by the Chairman.
3. Matters arising
 - a. The loss of the SPAN parish magazine was discussed including the lack of viability expressed by the Standish PC Clerk after a survey of local parishes. It was agreed that Frocester PC should consider alternatives methods for the dissemination of information within the parish.
 - b. It was agreed that the lack of progress in installing the defibrillator was not good and that the council should consider help from others.
 - c. War memorial refurbishment was discussed, and a way forward will be proposed at the next meeting.
4. Finance
 - a. Bank account - £3,074.89 + £475.58 – the £210.69 annual community benefit from Cambridge Solar had been received.
5. Highways
 - a. The closure of Crawley Hill, Frocester Hill and Bath Road, Nympsfield was discussed.
 - b. It was noted that the missing Peter Street 30 mph speed limit sign had been reported to GCC through the new Report It website.
6. Planning
 - a. The councillors were informed of the closing dates for the SDC Statement of Community Involvement and the SDC Emerging Strategy Public Consultation.
 - b. The Canal restoration project was discussed – Stroud District Council has invested £3 million in the restoration of the Stroudwater Canal. The Heritage Lottery Fund recently awarded £842,000 development funding to continue work on the project ahead of an application for a full grant of £9million which will be made later this year. This will see the canal between Stonehouse and Saul Junction restored and will link the canal to the national inland waterways network for the first time since it was abandoned in 1954.
7. Any other business
 - a. The condition of the Frocester bus shelter was discussed, there was concern that it was leaning backwards, and the building needed cleaning. There was a question asked about insurance cover for the building which could not be answered.

The next meeting was set for Wednesday 13th March 2019 at 7.30pm at the cricket club. The meeting closed at 8.30pm.