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FRETHERNE WITH SAUL PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Fretherne with Saul Parish Council Meeting held at Saul Memorial Hall at 7:45pm on 25th May 2022.

Present: Cllr Bierer (Chairman), Cllr B Findlater, Cllr Lever, Cllr Van Der Hooft, Cllr Jeffries Clerk K Brown

In attendance: District Councillor J Jones,

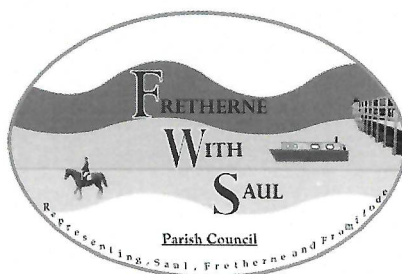
Register of General Public attending meeting: one

Agenda

- 010521 To receive apologies for absence.**
Cty Cllr S Davies sent apologies
- 020522 Declarations of Interest on the Agenda**
There were no declarations of interest.
- 030522 To approve the minutes of the meetings held on 27th April 2022 as a true record.**
Proposed, seconded with all in favour
- 040522 To receive a report from County Councillor Stephen Davies.**
Although absent a report was read out.
The main item is the new Road Safety plan. This will enable you as a Parish Council to apply for signs and VAS Cameras funded by the County Council. I would encourage you to consider applying.
On Friday I am meeting with Cllr Carl Bierer and Yakub from Highways to look at parking issues on the corner by the canal.
- 050522 To receive a report from District Councillor John Jones.**
The Government Scheme to distribute refunds of Council Tax to qualifying households in Bands A to D, who pay by monthly Direct Debit, has started to be implemented. Around 30.000 households will benefit in the first place, with more to follow, and all these payments should be in place by the end of this week. There are around 12000 not paying by D/D, and these will be contacted within the coming days, with details of how to apply for their refund.
The report from the Local Government Association Corporate Peer Review team shows that SDC is a good Council, and is progressing well towards its ambition of becoming a great Council. The Review team visited the Council in March of this year, and met with Senior and other Officers, Group Leaders and other members. It last visited Ebley Mill in 2019. The Review Team complemented the Council on its response to the pandemic, and progress made since the last review three years ago. However, at the Council debate on the report last Thursday, questions were asked about deficiencies in the Housing Department and Planning Department in particular, and emphases placed on bringing these departments up to acceptable standards.
At the Council AGM last week, there were no significant changes made to Chairs or Vice Chairs of Committees, along with a couple of personnel changes, or the Chair and Vice-Chair of Council. Steve Robinson from Nailsworth was re-elected Chair of Council, with Trevor Hall from Dursley as Vice-Chair.
- 060522 To consider applications for councillor, with co-option of councillors.**
Applicant Simon Cobb was co-opted to the parish council.
Proposed, seconded with all in favour.
- 070522 Public Question Time**
Nothing was asked.

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080522 To receive an update on the progress of the Build Back Better Applications
 Pump and respective pipework and power source and fencing – No further update from Cllr Bierer. Cllr Cobb has a pump which be available to pump water in the future. An explanation of the present situation as to pumping of water and council plans was explained and discussed. For review at future meetings.
 Lifebelts and stands – The Build Back Better application has been resubmitted for the purchase of two lifebelts and stands to be located at either side of the road on the tow path of Stroudwater Canal.
 Playing Field equipment repairs – Details of other work is to be covered in minute 140422.

090522 Planning Applications

Application Number: S.22/0803/HHOLD 1 Garden Cottages, Framilode Passage, Saul, Gloucester.

Description: Two storey side and single storey rear extensions.

Council has concerns around the roof of the extension being used as a balcony as this may incur a lack of privacy on neighbouring houses, contravene Local Plan 2015. Council voted to object, a response will be drafted for Stroud District Council web site.

Proposed, seconded with one abstention

Application Number: S.22/0983/HHOLD Camberley, Passage Road, Saul, Gloucester

Description: Erection of two storey rear extension to dwelling

Council has no comment.

Application Number: S.22/1022/TCA St Peters Church, Framilode, Gloucester, Gloucestershire

Description: T723 Holm Oak -Remove. T720 Lime - Remove dead wood. T721 Lime -Formative prune

Council has no comment

Application Number: S.22/0882/HHOLD 1 Riveredge, Framilode, Gloucester, Gloucestershire

Description: Erection of rear two storey extension. Alteration to single storey garage annexe to raise floor level and demolition of rear conservatory

Council has no comment

Planning Decisions

Application Number: S.22/0808/HHOLD Alpha Cottage, Moor Street, Saul, Gloucester.

Description: Replacement rear single storey extension

Decision: Awaiting decision

100522 To acknowledge the purchase and use of the ex BT Telephone box at Upper Framilode

The parish council have purchased the now ex BT Telephone Box at Upper Framilode. Further discussion to take place with the defib fund raisers at The Ship Inn to establish whether they will want to use the phone box for the defib unit.

Action: Councillors will undertake weeding and tidying of the area around the phonebox.

110522 Finance:

To approve the following payments in accordance with the budget.

Supporting documents have already been sent to councillors.

Payee	For	Amount
Clerk	Including clerks wages May and national pay award back dated to April 2021	£614.16
Severn Grass Services S Robbins	Village Maintenance inv 130	£196.20
BT	Purchase of Upper Framilode telephone box	£1.00
Clerk	Amazon purchase of items for the Queens Jubilee Celebration on Saul Memorial Playing Field, June 5th	£44.46

Proposed, seconded with all in favour.

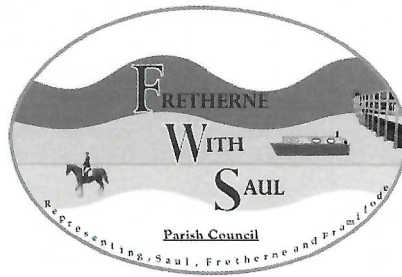
To ratify payments made between meetings – None

To review and approve May bank reconciliation and accounts.

Proposed, seconded with all in favour.

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- 120522 To receive an update on the inspection and repairs to the Play Equipment quotes.**
A company have advised they will need to inspect the various equipment detailed in the inspection report before quoting for repairs.
Council agreed to go ahead with the inspection costing £125 + vat.
Proposed, seconded with all in favour
Action: Clerk to arrange inspection
- 130522 To note correspondence received**
The clerk has received notification that BT have removed all equipment from the Framilode phone box and ownership has passed to the parish council.
The clerk has received an email from a member of the public who has been storing a quantity of sandbags on behalf of the council. Council agreed to temporarily store the sand bags in the sand bin.
Action: Clerk to update the member of the public regarding storage of the sand bags.
- 140522 Clerks Report - Feedback from items raised at the last meeting**
The willow stump treatment costs have been confirmed, see minute 170422
The Build Back Better application for lifebelts and stands has been resubmitted.
- 150522 To discuss and approve the request to cover costs incurred in the removal of a willow from the Stroudwater Canal.**
The cost for treatment of the willow tree stump from the Stroudwater Canal has been confirmed at £48, approved.
The stump to be treated is not the tree that the council was enquiring about.
Action: Clerk to further contact Severn Grass Services with regards to how to progress with tree removal and treating the stump and root.
- 160522 To further discuss the replacement of the noticeboard at Framilode Passage.**
As it has proved extremely difficult to get quotes for a replacement notice board, it was agreed to go ahead with the quote which has been received from Greenbarnes at a cost of £884.01 inc vat.
Proposed, seconded with all in favour.
A second, cheaper green notice board is to be ordered for the allotments, budget set at £235.
Proposed, seconded with all in favour
- 170522 To review the Roles and Responsibilities**
Councillors to review the Roles and Responsibilities following a councillor resignation.
This is to be discussed at a future meeting.
- 180522 To approve the Risk Management Schedule.**
This has been previously circulated to the councillors.
To be discussed at a future meeting.
- 190522 To receive an update on the parking issues at Sandfield Bridge and between Malt House Farm and Fretherne Bridge, what steps have been taken to address the problem including identifying next steps going forward.**
The parking in these areas has continued to raise concerns, road markings have not been refreshed for some time. Cllr Bierer, County Cllr S Davies and Highways are meeting to discuss the problem later this week.
- 200522 Date of next meeting is 29th June 2022.**

The meeting closed at 20:35pm

Signed:

Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in exercising any of its functions: Equal Opportunities (race, gender, sexual orientation, marital status and any disability), Crime and Disorder, Health & Safety and Human Rights.

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Signed: S Bierer 29/6/22

