

Frankley Parish Council

Thursday 13 January 2022

St Leonard's Church Hall

MINUTES

Present: J Gwinnett (JG)

P Smith (PS)

Apologies: J Jarrard (JJ)

N Bailey (NB)

P Morgan (PM)

K May (KM)

1. Welcome and Introductions

The Chair welcomed those present. As no members of the public were in attendance, the Chair moved to item 3 – Public Session.

2. Declarations of Interest

The Declaration of Interest form was signed off.

3. Public Session

New Smartwater signs are displayed within the Parish. Residents did not previously register with Smartwater – Smartwater now register at the point of purchase.

4. Approval of the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

The approval of the previous Minutes was proposed by PS, seconded by JG.

5. Chairman's Report

5.1 Bus Shelters – JG outlined suggested alterations to the one bus shelter in moving the opening from the front (facing the lane) to the side. The drains by the bus shelters have been repaired.

5.2 Drains – The drain in Oxhill Lane has been re-designed to stop the verge covering but it still floods. Drains have been cleaned by the Council (remove drains from future agenda)

5.3 Grit bins – JG is to ask for a bin at Yew Tree Lane / Frankley Green Lane junction. A bin has been moved to Frankley Green Lane by the noticeboard for the purpose of gritting the footpaths.

5.4 Fly tipping is the biggest crime within the Parish. BDC convictions are down. JG is to contact BDC re naming and shaming flytippers.

5.5 Speeding – JG met with R Clewer on 24 November 2021, together with D Hine (WMP) and two Highway Engineers. After surveying the area, it was concluded that the road gulleys are blocked, old bollards are bending and need replacing, long edges of carriageway needs to be exposed and repainted, the chevrons need cleaning, there is a pothole at the bend on Frankley Green, the centre white lines are worn/feint and need to be repainted, there are no cats eyes on the bend and increased signage is required. JG is to write to Karen May informing her that these actions will not work and is to request a meeting. JG is to write to John Champion to find out why the Police are opposed to 30 mph. A request is to be made for an unmanned speed camera which will result in a ticket if speeding.

R Clewer has since retired. KM is to introduce successor.

5.6 Jubilee celebrations – only six residents emailed their interest in Jubilee celebrations. A newsletter will be sent informing residents that due to the lack of interest, celebrations as a Parish would not take place.

5.7 What's App – JG is to set up a What's App group.

5.8 Proposed planning group – details of planning applications are displayed on the noticeboard. If required, any 3 of the 5 Councillors should attend premises for inspection purposes.

6. Finance

6.1 The bank statement and reconciliation spreadsheet were reviewed by all Councillors.

6.2 The cheque book stubs are double initialled.

6.3 The Precept was discussed. No increase was applied last year; it was agreed that the figure would rise slightly this year.

7. Planning Matters

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8. Outside Meetings

JG attended on line CALC meeting.

9. County Councillor Update

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10. Correspondence

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11. Any Other Business

There are concerns with the sewer in Long Kettles Wood. JG is to put together information on what residents can dispose of in the sink / toilet. 20 houses are linked to the sewer.

12. Items of Parochial Interest

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The meeting closed at 20.30.

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

Distribution:

Karen May

John Gwinnett

Jane Jarrard

Phil Smith

(Chairman)

(Councillor)

(Councillor)

Margaret Sherrey

Nancy Bailey

Pamela Morgan

(Acting Clerk & Councillor)

(Councillor)

Dates for future meetings:

Thursday 14 April 2022

Thursday 12 May 2022

Thursday 14 July 2022

Thursday 13 October 2022