

Minutes of **Foulsham Parish Council** Meeting
held on **Wednesday 29th September 2021** at **19:30**
in the **New Frost Hall**

Present: L. Riddett (Chair) K. Hambrook J. Duck C. Taylor
S. Stilgoe

In attendance: Parish Clerk

Apologies: G. Fearn Cllr. G. Peck

028. Declaration of Interests: None.

029. Minutes of previous meeting, held on 18th August 2021: Acceptance of the previous minutes was proposed by J Duck and seconded by K Hambrook. Approved.

030. Matters Arising: There was further discussion regarding the appointment of a new trustee to the Foulsham Relief in Need charity. It was understood that Andrew Macnair was to meet with a proposed candidate.

Action: Clerk to follow up with Andrew.

The Clerk reported that the bus shelter has been offered to NCC but no response has yet been forthcoming.

Action: Clerk to chase up NCC

The Clerk confirmed that BDC had opted to issue planning applications electronically only and had advised that there were “advantages to doing so”. The councillors re-iterated that it was difficult to review plans on small electronic devices.

Action: Clerk to follow up with BDC

031. Accounts

031.1 INCOME

-	None	£ 0.00
	TOTAL INCOME	£ 0.00

031.2 EXPENDITURE (MAIN ACCOUNT)

-	E.On (Street Lighting – Aug 21) – Inv H1A3CAE2B7		£ 158.97
-	M Smith Clerk's salary (19.08.2021 to 29.09.2021) (6 wks)	£ 360.00	
	Salary arrears to 01.01.2021 (32 wks)	£ 640.00	
	Internet & phone expenses (Aug & Sep)	£ 20.00	
			£ 1,020.00
-	M Payne – maintenance of marketplace flowerbeds (Sep)		£ 50.00
-	D Bracey – inspection of play equipment		£ 180.00
	TOTAL EXPENDITURE		£ 1,408.97

Approval of the accounts was proposed by K Hambrook and seconded by S Stilgoe.

032. Recreation Ground play facilities – condition report

The Clerk presented a summary of the findings from the recently commissioned play facility inspection. It was agreed that it would be preferable to have repairs undertaken by a single company if possible and the Clerk advised that two companies have been approached to ascertain if they would be able to help and that he was awaiting replies.

As the condition of the skateboard ramp had been identified as high risk, it was agreed that “do not use” signage should be affixed to the ramp.

Action: Clerk to affix signage.

033. Comments from the public

None

034. Any other business

The Clerk reported that damage had been sustained to the roof of “The Ship” building on the High Street, as a result of impact from a large lorry.

The Clerk had been contacted by a resident of Bexfield Road in respect of children cycling at speed on the footpath between Bexfield Road and Sneck Lane. It was noted that signage was the responsibility of Highways, but that a note should be put in the next edition of the Parish magazine.

Action: Clerk to check signage and add note to next magazine article.

The Clerk reported that phase 3 of the streetlight project was progressing. One of the new lanterns was throwing a lot of light onto an adjacent property and had been fitted with a shield to deflect the light. The additional cost for the shield is £25.

The Clerk circulated details of a plaque which NALC were pressing all Parish Councils to accept. The plaque is to commemorate the community’s resilience throughout the pandemic.

J Duck reported encroachment of the boundary of no 32 Guist Road onto Sneck Lane.

Action: Clerk to seek advice from NCC Boundaries.

J Duck reported that the curtilage of 11 Hindolveston Road was being eroded by lorries.

Action: Clerk to report to NCC Rangers

L Riddett advised that the Church was arranging carol singing around the tree on Friday 17th December at 6:30pm.

Meeting closed at 20:07

The next Parish Council Meeting is scheduled for Wednesday 10th Nov 2021 at 19:30