

ORTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting held on 19th September 2016
at Orton Market Hall

Present: Councillors Kyle Blue (chair); Stephen Dunning; M Coates; Menna Lewis; M. Mawson; D. Potter.
Seven members of the public.

1. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies for absence

2. Declarations of Interest.

Councillors Kyle Blue and Menna Lewis declared an interest in Item 7 on the agenda (Correspondence requesting a donation to the First Responders) as they were both First Responders, and they took no part in the deliberations or voting on this item.

3. Minutes of the Meeting of 18th July 2016 were circulated and were signed by the Chairman as a true record.

Matters arising from the Minutes.

It was noted that Councillor Ernie Potter had resigned from the Council due to his ill-health. It was agreed that the clerk would write to him to thank him for his hard work for the parish over many years. The Clerk will consider the process to be followed in co-opting a member to fill this vacancy.

4. Planning.

No new notices of planning applications had been received prior to the meeting.

5. Finance

The following accounts were approved for payment:-

E-on - £34.12

Lynne Potter – salary month 6 - £250.35

Margaret Longworth – salary month 6 - £140.00

HMRC – PAYE month 7 - £97.60

The clerk circulated an extract from the Cash Book for June and July 2016 for comment. The monthly payment for maintaining the website was noted and it was agreed that a future meeting would consider updating the website.

6. Risk Assessment

A draft risk assessment was circulated for discussion and a completed assessment will be circulated at the next meeting of the council

7. Correspondence

A letter received from the Treasurer of the First Responders was circulated for comment. Following discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council would make a donation to the First Responders of £1000.00

8. Painting of the Exterior of the Public Toilets and Bridges

Councillor David Potter reported on three estimates that had been received for this work and it was agreed to accept the estimate of Eric Capstick in the sum of £500. The estimate was to prepare and paint the windows, doors and fascia boards to the public toilets and to prepare and paint the wood and metal rails on four bridges

9. Highways Maintenance

The position with regard to the condition of the roads and drains was noted and County Councillor Libby Bateman agreed to pursue the issue with the County Council as Highways Authority.

10. Public Participation

There was some discussion on the possible 20 mph speed limit to be imposed on the main road through Orton and County Councillor Libby Bateman will raise this with the County Council. District Councillor Adrian Todd had received complaints about the speed of tractors passing through the village and concerns were noted. Mention was also made of litter being thrown from vehicles.

Councillor David Potter reported on the position with regard to the new light to be installed at the school and consideration was given to the design of the same.

County Councillor Libby Bateman updated members on the 106 bus service and the reduction in the service now available. Details of the current bus service are available on the 106 bus website.

11. Date of the next meeting

The next meeting will be on Monday 17th October 2016 at 7.30

The Meeting ended at 8.30

Signed as a true record

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Date