

FROXFIELD & PRIVETT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Froxfield & Privett Parish Council held at Froxfield Village Hall

On Thursday 8th February 2018 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllr John Ellis (Chairman), Cllr Richard Moss, Cllr Philip Madgwick, Cllr Timothy Passingham and Cllr David Rymer. In attendance, Cllr N Drew and Helen Marsh the Clerk

1.10.18 Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Doyle, Cllr Redding, Cllr Povey and County Councillor Oppenheimer

2.10.18 Approval of the minutes the minutes of 11th January 2018 were approved and signed

3.10.18 Matters Arising No matters arising

4.10.18 Declarations of Pecuniary Interests No Declarations

5.10.18 Comments from the public or press In the absence of Cllr Oppenheimer, Simeon Leiserach reported on their meeting at HCC with Glenn Peacey and BT. 29 more premises on the Petersfield 20 exchange would be placed "in-scope". The roll out to these 29 houses and to the houses in Froxfield Green is scheduled to take place early in 2019. These premises are being connected with Fibre to the Premises (FTTP), which should give speeds of up to 1GB. BT has undertaken to provide a quote, within 4 weeks, for the remaining 83 houses that have been identified for the Community Fibre Partnership (CFP). The Chairman thanked Mr Leiserach for undertaking to improve the broadband for the parish and for his continued support.

6.10.18 Planning and enforcement Cllr Rymer will review the Parish Council's planning decisions and submissions against Officer's Reports and produce a report for the PC. Cllr Rymer will also prepare a draft challenge to a letter received from EHDC enforcement regarding the static caravan off Hurst Lane.

7.10.18 Rights of Way

- a) **Old Stoner proposed works** It was agreed to postpone intentions to carry out any repairs to Old Stoner as the parish council was already committed to remedial works on Ridge Top Lane and Green Lane.
- b) **Green Lane proposed works** Cllr Rymer has prepared a specification of works as a basis on which contractors can quote for the work.
- c) **Ridge Top Lane** As above Cllr Rymer has prepared a specification of works for quotes.

8.10.18 Road Issues

- a) **Warren Lane** Although the clerk had written to Highways it was agreed that it is almost impossible to prevent lorries following Sat Navs and that more signs would have little or no effect.

9.10.18 Defibrillator The Clerk had obtained 4 quotes for inclusive packages for defibrillators. As there were only sufficient funds, it was resolved that 2 defibrillators would be purchased at present, one for Privett and other other for High Cross. The total cost will be £3015 (exl VAT).

10.10.18 County Councillor Report Cllr Oppenheim's full report was distributed prior to the meeting.

11.10.18 District Councillor Report Cllr Drew gave this report:

- a) Howard Bevis is looking for volunteers to run the shop during his post office training.

- b) The Boundary Commission consultation had been extended until 5th March.
- c) Enforcement of the Lambing Shed in Soalwood Lane will not be carried out while a planning application is in progress.

12.10.18 King George V Memorial Ground

- a) **Playground Inspection** – Cllr Moss had reported that there had been some damage to the rope climbing frame. The clerk took advice from the manufacturer who concluded that the net was in good working order and only some joint caps needed replacing. Cllr Rymer would investigate this further as Cllr Ellis was concerned that there might be underlying problems.
- b) **Tree Planting After School Club** It was agreed that the club could plant a few trees at the far end of the Memorial Ground, as agreed by Cllr Ellis at a site meeting, as long as it did not affect the cricket playing area.
- c) Cllr Moss reported that the perimeter fencing was in a terrible state. Cllr Rymer would inspect the fence, review the quotes received last year and report back at the next meeting.

13.10.18 Finances

- a) The following cheques were agreed and signed

Helen Marsh	£520
Froxfield Village Hall	£192
David Rymer	£68
Ray Street Website Management	£75

- b) The accounting statement was agreed and cross-referenced with the bank statement.
- c) The clerk had agreed with the Village Hall Treasurer an annual cost of £160 for renting the village hall for parish council meetings, to be adjusted if necessary at the end of the year.

14.10.18 Lengthsman The lengthsman has been asked to carry out some ditch digging outside Froxfield Green, opposite Ridge Top Farm and outside Wheeler’s Farm.

15.10.18 Correspondence

- a) Following a letter from a resident regarding RVEIs it was agreed that she should contact the ecologist direct.

16.10.18 Future Agenda Items School Parking and Cricket Club

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.05 pm.