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MINUTES OF THE FALDINGWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Memorial Hall Faldingworth

Wednesday 20 November 2024

Present: D. Waine (Chair) Debbie Whelan (Clerk), Cllrs W. Green, Cllr D. Dickinson, Cllr P Gregson, Cllr. A Bradbury, Cllr. J Land and Cllr. Sandford

Apologies: None

24/11/01. To receive apologies and reasons for absence

There were none received

24/11/02 To receive declarations of interest on any item on the agenda

There were none received

24/11/03. To resolve to suspend the meeting to allow no more than 15 minutes of public forum

It was **RESOLVED** to suspend the meeting to allow for 15 minutes of public forum.

24/11/04. Confirmation of Parish Council Minutes

The Minutes of the Meeting of the 18 September 2024 were **APPROVED**.

24/11/05. Reports from outside bodies taking any required action

There were none received.

24/11/06 Residents issues, taking any required action.

There were none received

24/11/07 Financial matters

Payments for this period were **APPROVED**.

- The bank reconciliation was **APPROVED**

- The proposed budget was **APPROVED**. The Clerk is to return the precept estimate to WLDC.

- Banking arrangements update: The Clerk reported that HSBC require another mandate and that this is a prerequisite to apply for online banking. It was reported that the HSBC interest rates are decreasing in line with national trends. The Clerk also placed the proposal for Unity Bank on the table and explained that the options were limited but more beneficial. It was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk explore whether the Council can open two Instant Access Accounts and one current account. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk pursue opening bank accounts should this be possible. We can then move our HSBC accounts to Unity Bank.

- The Clerk reported on the process of internet banking and how the signatures would work. It was **AGREED** to proceed with this and that signatories would be Cllr. Sanford and Cllr. Green.

- The Clerk will proceed with processing the 2023/2024 VAT claim.

The payments for this period are:

DD Bank Charges to 3 Sept		£9.00
DD Bank Charges to 3 October		£10.00
Cheque 101246	Glendale October	£250.14
Cheque 101247	Royal British Legion	£50.00
Cheque 101248	Glendale Hedge cutting	£135.32
Cheque 101249	PAYE Clerk Oct /Nov	£129.20
Cheque 101250	D Whelan	£193.60
£777.26 was spent		

£ 149.84 interest was received.

The closing total on the Business Current amount is $\pounds 15,140.55$. **NOTE:** This continues to reflect the overpayment/repayment of the Glendale account of an amount of $\pounds 43.66$. The closing total on the Business Money Manager account is £ 30,975.17

It was **AGREED** that the Clerk applies for the precept estimate of $\pounds 9,562.00$.

24/11/08. Community Speed Watch

Cllrs Land and Sandford will download the data from the Speed Indicator Device. Once the Council has data then a decision can be made about purchasing a second one. This will be raised at the next meeting.

24/11/09. Planning matters

There was one planning application for a change of use. The Clerk circulated this to the Council as per the policy in the Standing Orders. No comments had been received.

24/11/10 Correspondence

There was none received.

24/11/11 Playground areas

Cllr Land will repair the fence as soon as possible.

24/11/12 LALC and website maintenance

The Clerk noted that we were still within our budget with the website maintenance.

The Clerk reported that the Cloud Next subsidy had been successful and that the GOV.UK email addresses have been set up as per recommendations of the audit.

24/11/14 Adoption of standing orders, etc.

The following documents of Council were **ADOPTED**.

Corporate Procedure Policy Data Protection Policy Internal Control Scheme of Delegation Policy Scheme of Publication Policy Standing Orders Staffing Committee

24/11/15. Any urgent items for discussion

The Staffing Committee appointed for the annual appraisal of the Clerk are Cllr. Dickinson, Cllr. Green and Cllr. Gregson. The Staffing Appraisal will take place before the next meeting of Council in January.

The Clerk is requested to investigate what courses of training are available for Councillors to attend. This will be circulated.

24/11/17. Next Meeting

Next meeting 22 January 2025

The meeting closed at 20.30pm