

# **Stretton under Fosse Parish Council**

Minutes of Meeting

Held on Wednesday 20<sup>th</sup> February 2019 at 7:45pm In

The Village Hall of Stretton under Fosse

**Present** Terry Smith (Chairman); Sue Hartshorn, Nigel Jennett, Jenny Ogden and Mark Daniell (Councillors); Tony Gillias (Rugby Borough Councillor) and Adrian Warwick (Warwickshire County Councillor)

- 1. Apologies for absence** – Kiley Brown (Clerk)
- 2. Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations** – None received
- 3. Approve Minutes of the previous meeting** – Minutes were agreed and were signed and approved.
- 4. Public Participation Session, apologies and record of those in attendance** – None
- 5. News from Rugby Borough Council (RBC) and Warwickshire County Council (WCC)**

## **Rugby Borough Council (RBC)**

- The council will be setting budgets and determining council tax soon
- The Local Plan is due back from the inspector this week
- Green waste – tonnage almost up to the level it was before charges were implemented
- Dog fouling will incur a £100 fixed fine (rebated by £25 if paid early)
- We've had further instances of fly tipping raised again as an issue in the area

## **Warwickshire County Council (WCC)**

- County precept will increase by 2.9% plus a ring-fenced 2% for adult social care. Adults claiming social care can now take direct payments and decide for themselves where/how they use it for this care.
- Police precept is being increased by £24 – will have a rural team of five officers although we've requested two teams (one for North and one for South)
- Fire officers to take on 'Hospital to Home' service which allows them to assess houses and prevent fires
- No further news on the dissolution of the police force cooperation – 50 new officers currently being trained with plans for 100 more next year, making it the strongest police force in 20 years

## **6. To Report on Matters Arising from the Minutes of the last meeting**

### **Neighbourhood planning meeting**

- We are waiting for the Rugby Borough Council Local Plan to be adopted before moving forward on the Neighbourhood Plan

### **Speed calming measures to be revisited:**

- We are going to request 'raw' data as the sources we've been provided with have not been helpful in showing the times when speeding is occurring in the village

### **Lighting repairs:**

- We are looking at a systematic replacement 'policy' so that we can start to change one light at a time when the coming year's precept is received

**Precept planning / accounts**

- A meeting took place to set the precept for the coming year. An email that was distributed after this meeting will be used as the minutes of this meeting and need to be signed off at the next Parish Council meeting

**7. Correspondence – None****8. New and current planning applications – None****9. Finance – including an update of the accounts**

- There were three cheques to sign
- Invoice for flower donation received – cheque to be signed before end of March
- Invoice from Village Hall Committee for annual use received – cheque to be signed before end of March
- Bank issues should be sorted – statements and communication being received to correct address
- Precept was set with increases to accommodate further future replacements of lighting fixtures throughout the village
- An Auditor has been booked for our Annual Accounts and meetings will be scheduled accordingly

**10. Items for the next meeting**

- Neighbourhood Plan – following publication of Local Plan
- Speed calming measures
- Lighting repairs
- Accounts

**11. Date of the next meeting – 10<sup>th</sup> April 2019 @ 7:45pm in the Village Hall**

- It was decided that the Parish Council Annual meeting and Annual Meeting of the Parishioners would be combined once again this year and the tentative date for this is Thursday 16<sup>th</sup> of May – details TBC