



Newton Flotman Parish Council Meeting Minutes

Tuesday 12 January 2021

(this meeting was held virtually using the GoToMeeting platform)

Present: David Gibbs (Chairman) Julie King (clerk)
Bob Kelf
Bob McKelvey
Jeff Billings
Paul Weeks

Members of the public – Colin Foulger, County Councillor

- 1 Apologies for Absence
All Parish Councillors were present. Florence Ellis, District Councillor, had sent her apologies
- 2 Declaration of Interest for Items on the Agenda and Dispensations
Paul Weeks declared an interest he is a trustee of the Village Centre Management Committee.
- 3 Minutes of the Meeting held on 24 November 2020
These were agreed as a true record of proceedings with one small amendment.
- 4 Public Participation
Colin Foulger spoke of the recent flooding and said that Highways weren't always to blame for flooding on the roads.
- 5 Grounds Maintenance Contract
CGM, the current contractor, had supplied a quote for the coming season, a 3% increase on the previous year. It was noted that the Village Centre had already agreed a contract with CGM for the forthcoming year. **It was agreed to accept the quote and continue with CGM for the forthcoming season.**
- 6 Third Quarter Accounts
The accounts had been circulated and were agreed.
- 7 Budget and Precept
 - a Reserves Policy
This was reviewed, **it was agreed to earmark £1,000 for improving the Village Centre ditches, £220 for Village Centre ditch maintenance and £500 for the Smockmill Common access.**

Signed

Date

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b Budget

A draft budget had been prepared, was reviewed and **was agreed**. The projected end of year balance, excluding earmarked reserves agreed above, was £7,967, in line with the Reserves Policy of £8,000.

c Precept

The precept was set at £12,298 which would result in 0% increase in precept and a continued 'Band D' cost of £27.27.

8 Items for Next Agenda

Review the parish plan from 2007/8.

Flooding of river Tas.

Twinning.

9 Date of Next Meeting

Tuesday 26 January 2021, 7.30pm

The meeting closed at 8.21pm.