**Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 18th April 2017**

**at the Birbury, Birdingbury**

**Present:** Cllrs Mrs Turner (Chair), Tipton (Vice Chair), Preston, Cllr Mrs Davy and Cllr Mrs Morton

**In attendance:** Jackie Chapman (Clerk),

1. **Welcome.**

Cllr Mrs Turner opened the meeting at 7.30pm and welcomed those present.

1. **To accept apologies for absence**

None

1. **Declaration of interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

1. **Representations from the public**

There were none.

1. **Minutes of the last meeting**

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 21st March 2017 as a true and complete record

1. **Reports from Borough and County Councillors**

Neither present

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Cllr Mrs Turner – all but one of the native trees (whips) from Rugby Borough Council

have been planted. Cllr Preston and Cllr Mrs Morton will plant it. Cllr Mrs Turner thanked Cllr Mrs Morton for cleaning the plinth of the War Memorial. Cllr Mrs Turner advised she has received a number of positive comments with regard to the “Welcome to Birdingbury” booklet, a copy of which has been delivered to every property in the village. There has been an incident of fly tipping on the Sustrans track, which has been removed by Cllr Mrs Davy’s husband – thank you.

Cllr Mrs Davy advised the door to the telephone box does not open or close properly. If the village is looking to adopt the telephone box, this needs to be resolved.

 **ACTION** Clerk to contact BT

Cllr Mrs Morton – glass found on the recreation ground, which she has removed. During the recent litter pick, used aerosols were found in the recreation ground. A reminder re picking up litter will be put in Birdsong. Cllr Morton noted the War Memorial is showing some slight damage around the plinth, possibly occurring when the grass is strimmed.

 **ACTION** Clerk to contact grass contractor

A property marking event is due to be held in the village on 6th May 2017.

Cllr Tipton – drain work has been completed, but no rain yet to see what happens.

1. **Drains**

The drain work has been completed. There is a hole in the road by the drain, near the sign for Main Street (on the RHS as you look up Main Street towards Marton Road)

 **ACTION** Clerk to report to WCC Highways.

1. **War Memorial**

Cllr Mrs Morton has cleaned the plinth.

1. **Channel 4 Village of the Year 2017**

It was decided not to pursue this.

**11. Burning of Industrial Waste**

Cllr Mrs Turner advised this item has been removed from the Agenda

**12 NALC Consultation on Government Housing White Paper**

There will be no response made by BPC.

**12. Planning Applications**

 **12.1** No planning applications have been received

 **12.2** The following planning decision has been received

R/17/0353 Pioneer Farm, Stockton Road Birdingbury, CV23 8EE GRANTED

 **12.2** Appeals - none

**13. Financial Issues**

 **13.1** It was proposed by Cllr Preston, seconded by Cllr Mrs Morton and **RESOLVED** the following payments be made.

* Clerks Fee – April 2017 £
* Mrs J Chapman reimbursement of postage costs £7.80
* Mrs J Chapman reimbursement of printing costs £43.20 (Welcome to Birdingbury Booklet)

**13.2 Bank Balance**

As at 30th March 2017 £1939.62

**13.3 Budget Report as at 01.04.17**

Was noted by the Councillors

**14. Newcomers to the Village**

None

**15. Correspondence received and action required**

Noted.

**16. Business considered urgent by the Chair** (and not elsewhere on the Agenda)

None

**17. Items for the next Agenda**

None

**18. Date of next meeting** Annual Village Meeting 25th April 2017

 15th May 2017 Annual General Meeting, followed by monthly Parish Council meeting**.**

Signed

Date