

**Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2019  
at the Birbury, Birdingbury**

**Present:** Cllr Mrs Davy, Cllrs Preston and French and Mrs J Chapman (Clerk)

**In attendance:**

**1. Welcome.**

Cllr French opened the meeting at 19:32 hrs and welcomed those present.

**2. To accept apologies for absence**

Cllr Morton – prior commitment

**3. Declaration of interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**4. Representations from the public**

No public were present.

**5. Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019**

The minutes of the meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> October 2019 were agreed as a true and complete record.

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

Neither was present

**7. Reports from Councillors**

None

**8. Planning Applications**

**8.1** The following planning application has been received.

Application	Address	Details	BPC Comment
R19/1347	Merryfields Marton Road Birdingbury, CB23 8EH	Western Red Cedar tongue and groove cladding to be introduced to the principle elevation	No representation

**8.2** No planning decisions have been received.

**8.3** Appeals – none

The Clerk was asked to contact RBC Planning/Enforcement regarding the structure which is being built along Stockton Road – on land adjacent to planning application R19/0180

**9. Financial Issues**

**9.1 Approval of cheques**

Payee	Amount £
Clerks fee November 2019 including mileage	
Clerk working from home allowance 2 <sup>nd</sup> year payment	75.00
Frank Mann Farmers – grass cutting October 16.10.19	174.00
Mr C Morton – reimbursement for fireworks	599.99
Adrian Dollar – Trimming of laid hedge	156.00

Mr D Preston – reimbursement for expenditure incurred on Bonfire/Firework function.	62.65
Mrs G Davy – reimbursement for expenditure incurred on Bonfire/Firework function.	482.18

The Clerk advised her salary payment is higher than usual as she has now received a tax code for BPC backdated to April 2019 which means there is no tax to pay. As HMRC have already been sent payments, the Clerk will get this back next year as a refund. The Clerk provided the Cllrs present with an excel spreadsheet showing how November's payment has been calculated. The Clerk confirmed from December onwards she will receive gross payments of her salary.

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

## 9.2 Bank Balance Reconciliation

The bank reconciliation was agreed and signed by Cllr French.

## 9.3 Budget Report as at 30.10.19 – agreed

## 9.4 Precept 2020 – 2021

Following discussion and examining the budget information provided for 2018/19 and 2019/2020

20:00 hrs Cllr Cutts joined the meeting

It was proposed by Cllr Mrs Davy, seconded by Cllr French and **RESOLVED** there will be no increase in precept for 2020/2021. The precept is to remain at the same amount as for 2019/2020 - £7250.

Clerk to revisit quote for relining of MUGA, Cllr Davy will provide Clerk with details of other companies who reline MUGA's (used by schools in the area).

## 10. Highways

Clerk asked to contact Warwickshire County Council Highways to ask if the drains in the village have been cleared or are due to be cleared. The drain opposite the Bus Stop is clearly blocked.

## 11. Recreation Ground

No action

## 12. Allotment Shed

No update available on either work to be done or funding application, defer to next meeting.

## 13. Birdingbury Village Club

A response has been received from the Birdingbury Club. A meeting will be arranged in the New Year amongst the representatives of all interested parties.

## 14. Birdingbury Bonfire

Cllr Preston's report on Bonfire Night was received and it was agreed the Bonfire was a success given the inclement weather on the day and night. The Parish Council offered their thanks to everyone who took part in arranging and undertaking the event, including the younger members of the Parish who ensured the event was on Social Media.

**15. Norton Foundation Capital Grant**

It was agreed the Clerk will bring a proposal to the January meeting to apply for funding with a view to ensuring the path/track up to the recreation ground is improved.

**16. 4 Back Lane**

The information received from Rugby Borough Council was noted. 4 Back Lane is to be brought back to the meeting in January 2020.

**17. Council Motion request re national community energy campaign**

No Councillor was prepared to propose this motion, therefore the motion failed.

**18. Newcomers to the Village**

No new residents.

**19. Correspondence received and action required**

Noted, nothing arising.

**20. Items for the next Agenda**

Recreation Field, Birdingbury Club and 4 Back Lane

**21. Date of next meeting 21<sup>st</sup> January 2020**

Meeting closed 20:04 hrs

Signed

Date

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