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Minutes of the meeting of FORD PARISH COUNCIL on Tuesday 15th January 2019 held at Yapton & Ford Village Hall. The meeting commenced at 1930.

Present:

Parish Councillors: Cllr T Ford (TF) Cllr D Smith (DS) Cllr J Merritt (JM) Cllr A Baird (AB) Cllr D Armstrong (DA)

WSCC:

ADC: Cllr S Haymes

Clerk: Miss Morgan Taylor (MT)

3 Member(s) of public Guest: PCSO Geoffrey Gear

Item No.	Item	Action
	Chairman opened the meeting at 19:30 and welcome everyone	
	Apologies for Absence Cllr Sam Langmead	
	Declaration of Interest Cllr T Ford – Chairman of the CLT Cllr D Smith -Treasurer of the CLT Cllr J Merrit – Board member of the CLT	
	Minutes Finalised The minutes for November were confirmed and signed by the Chairman.	

	<p>Guest Speaker – PCSO Geoffrey Gear</p> <p>PCSO Gear came to the parish meeting and explained that the police are trying to get back into working closer with local parish's. PCSO Gear explained that there are 30 PCSO's who have to cover all Parish's from Findon to Southbourne – therefore with such a large area there cannot be specific officers assigned to each Parish. However, there is a plan that each officer will attend 2/3 parish meetings per year, meaning each parish gets an officer to attend 1 meeting a year only, on top of this the officers each doing the annual visit to this parish will change from year to year depending on shift patterns. PCSO continues to advocate that emailing is the best way to report issues to the police this is especially important because it not only affect what happens at the time of the incident, it means that a log of many incidents can build up over time making a better and stronger case of the police to be able to deal with any issues.</p>	
	<p>Police Report - Cllr J Merritt</p> <p>Cllr J Merritt explained the main issues with Ford, this includes issues such as speeding and parking by Ford station. PCSO could not accept Cllr Merritt's evidence of parking pictures as he could not take the report any further himself, he informed Cllr Merritt to send the pictures to WSCC. PCSO Gear informed the council that monitoring of parking is Highways and the police can only help if there is obstruction – for example a car is blocking the WHOLE pathway.</p>	
	<p>Finance</p> <p>Cashbooks are signed and up to date.</p>	
	<p>Precept</p> <p>Precept agreed and set to be £16,000 for 2019/2020</p>	
	<p>County Councillors Report – Cllr J Pendleton</p> <p>No report</p>	
	<p>District Councillor Report – Cllr S Haymes</p> <p>Arundel Bypass – 2 routes being considered (5A and 4). Last meeting was November 2018</p>	
	<p>Chairman's Update – Cllr T Ford</p> <p>Cllr T Ford had a meeting with the medical centre, they have informed him they will only support doctors surgeries with a catchment area of 50,000 people plus.</p>	

	<p>Memorial Garden – Cllr D Smith Cllr D Smith informed the council that the tree needs removing (already in 2019/2020 budget), the allotments are very low on revenue due to many un-used plots. Cllr T Ford has suggested £200 grant to help support H.A.G.S. This was agreed and Cllr T Ford is already seeking more support from Middleton-on-sea and Climping.</p>	
	<p>Community Resilience Plan – Cllr T Ford & Cllr D Armstrong Cllr D Armstrong noted that he received a First Aid Training invitation, but no councillors are attending as they don't feel it will have any impact of Ford. The council have agreed to continue paying the Resilience room rent for this year but will review next year.</p>	
	<p>Planning Applications F/27/18/CM – No Objection WSCC/002/19/CM – To be reviewed more by councillors WSCC/003/F – No Objection</p>	
	<p>Report on Village Hall Management Committee Meeting – Cllr D Ambler No report</p>	
	<p>Footpath Report – Cllr D Armstrong & Cllr S Langmead No update</p>	
	<p>Correspondence a) Complaint of flooding in Ford Lane – Cllr Ford to pass onto Cllr Pendleton b) H.A.G.S funding (dealt with in no.11) c) Clerk informed councillors of (Rights of Way) – only for their information</p>	
	<p>Requests for donations None</p>	

Meeting Closed 20:53

Open Forum:

Matters Arising: None

**Next meeting is Tuesday 19th March 2019, Parish Meeting Small hall, Yapton and
Ford Village Hall**

Signed..... Dated.....