

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Full Council, Yaxley Parish Council
held in the Council Chamber, the Amenity Centre, Main Street, Yaxley
on 10th January 2017.**

Present:- Councillor K Gulson – Chairman

Councillors A Bartle, C Bolton, S Butler, R Butcher, P Crooke, J Lusted, M Oliver, D Porteous, J Reed, P Russell, C Thorne, S White and J Willis.

In attendance – Mrs H Taylor - Clerk.

FC130. APOLOGIES

Apologies for absence from the meeting were received and accepted on behalf of Councillors G Bellamy and A Wood (both personal).

FC131. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Councillor M Oliver declared an “other” interest in item FC144 as a Director of the Yaxley Festival.

FC132. MINUTES

Councillor R Butcher proposed approval of the Minutes of the meeting of the Council held 13th December 2016. This was seconded by Councillor J Willis and **RESOLVED**.

FC133. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No Members of the Public wished to speak.

FC134. CO-OPTION TO THE VACANT POSITION OF PARISH COUNCILLOR

Members received details of a resident wishing to be considered for co-option to the Parish Council. The applicant had been asked a series of questions to determine his suitability as a Parish Councillor and had confirmed his eligibility as detailed in S79 of the Local Government Act 1972. Whereupon, it was proposed by Councillor M Oliver and seconded by Councillor J Willis that Mr Jonathan Orchard be co-opted to the Parish Council and this was unanimously **RESOLVED**.

FC135. VACANCY ON THE PLANNING COMMITTEE AND COMMUNITY FACILITIES COMMITTEE

On the proposition of Councillor R Butcher and having been seconded by Councillor J Willis, it was **RESOLVED** that the new Parish Councillor fill the vacancy on the Property and Community Facilities Committees.

FC136. COMMITTEE REPORTS

FC136.1 PLANNING COMMITTEE

Members received and noted the draft Minutes of the Planning Committee held on 13th December 2016.

FC137. PROPOSED YOUTH COUNCIL

Members were reminded of a previous presentation from Paul Underwood when the creation of a Youth Council had been mentioned. Mr Underwood had provided the Clerk with an advice leaflet on setting up a Youth Council which the Clerk had circulated to



Members. In the discussions that ensued Members recognised the benefits to the village of having a well-established Youth Council but acknowledged the work and commitment involved. The Clerk explained that she had surveyed all the Parish and Town Councils in Cambridgeshire on this subject and had received feedback from 5 Councils who had set up Youth Councils in the past. It was reported that all 5 Youth Councils had been disbanded due to diminishing members. Mention also was made of the need for the youth of the village to take ownership of the project and the difficulties of driving this forward given that Yaxley currently doesn't have one secondary school serving the village. Having been reminded that all secondary education for Yaxley will at some time in the future be provided by the new Hampton Gardens Secondary School, Councillor J Lusted proposed that the idea of a Youth Council be revisited in a few years' time, when the new school can be approached to become involved. This was seconded by Councillor S White and unanimously **RESOLVED**.

FC138. PETERBOROUGH LOCAL PLAN CONSULATION

Members noted the commencement of a public consultation on a Further Draft Local Plan by Peterborough City Council.

FC139. DRAFT CORPORATE ENERGY STRATEGY

In considering a draft Corporate Energy Strategy produced by Cambridgeshire County Council, Members felt that the County had given the Parish Council very little time to consider the strategy in depth given the Christmas break. It was also felt that the Funding and Resources section of the document needed to be expanded to give advice to Town and Parish Councils on possible funding streams.

FC140. SECTION 137 BUDGET – AWARD OF GRANT

On the proposal of Councillor A Bartle and having been seconded by Councillor S Butler it was **RESOLVED** that the Citizens Advice Rural Cambs be awarded £150.

FC141. POLICE MATTERS

Members noted a summary of crimes for the month of December by street location for the Parish (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book).

FC142. BANK RECONCILIATION STATEMENT

Councillors received and noted the contents of the Bank Reconciliation Statement as at 31st December 2016 (copies of which are appended in the Minute Book).

FC143. ORDERS FOR PAYMENT

The schedule of payments made since the previous meeting, which included details of the purchase ledger cheques requiring payment, (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) was proposed by Councillor R Butcher, seconded by Councillor J Lusted and **RESOLVED** by an unanimous vote to be paid.

FC144. AWARD OF GRANTS FOR USE OF THE COUNCILS FACILITIES

With the aid of a report by the Clerk (a copy of which is appended in the Minute Book) Members reviewed the list of clubs/organisations that are awarded grants for the use the Council's facilities. Whereupon, it was proposed by Councillor J Lusted that the list of grants for the use of the facilities for 2017 be approved. This was seconded by Councillor S Butler and **RESOLVED**.



FC145. REPORTS FROM REPRESENTATIVES

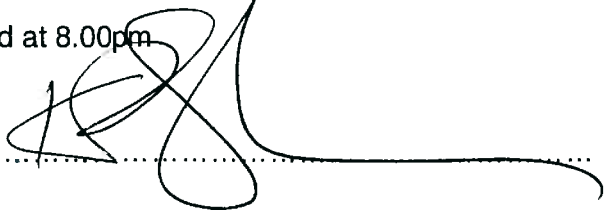
In receiving updates from representatives Councillor Willis passed on the thanks of Mrs Lally of Orchard Walk for the work done by Reg Bingham on a large tree near her property.

Councillor P Russell advised Members that the Christians Against Poverty Course would start the following evening at the Infants School.

The Chairman reported that an informal meeting with County Councillor Mac MacGuire had been scheduled for 7.00pm on 31st January 2017, in the Council Chambers.

Meeting closed at 8.00pm

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Chairman.

