FRESHFORD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ORDINARY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 12TH AUGUST 2019 AT 7.00PM AT THE MEMORIAL HALL FRESHFORD,

Present:

Councillors: John Adler (Chairman), Jean Hawker (Vice Chairman), Nick Stevens, Martin Walker, Tom Maddicott, Julian Carpenter, Jonelle Daniels, Jacob Heatley-Adams

<u>Apologies for Absence:</u> Annabel Batchelor-Wylam and Lorraine Montague (Clerk).

Public present:

Charles Bush, Councillor Matt McCabe, Martin Whitbread, Emma Heatley-Adams, Nick Tomlinson and Nick Spicer.

090/19 <u>Declarations of Interest and Requests for Dispensations:</u> Cllr Heatley-Adams declared an interest in the Planning Application for solar panels for Freshford Primary School.

091/19 <u>Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held the 8th July 2019</u> Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on the 8th July were duly approved and signed by the Chairman.

092/19 <u>Proposed bus stop outside of the village hall:</u> A report and findings to be carried forward to the September meeting after Cllrs. Walker, Stevens and Carpenter have looked into this further.

093/19 Open Forum:

Charles Bush attended to support his planning application to erect a garage at The Cottage, Pipehouse Lane.

Emma Heatley-Adams, Martin Whitbread, Nick Tomlinson and Nick Spicer attended in support for the Freshford School planning application.

094/19 Planning Applications:

19/03092/FUL - Applicants: Mr and Mrs Bush.

Erection of a garage at The Cottage, Pipehouse Lane, Freshford.

After discussion the Parish Council resolved to comment only, noting concerns that the proposed development intrudes on the openness of the Green Belt and that this application does not conform with Policy CP8 of the 2014 Core Strategy.

<u>19/0325/FUL</u> - Solar panels Freshford Primary School. Freshford.

The school lies within the Green Belt in an area of Outstanding Natural Beauty and within the Conversation Area designated in 1975.

The Application was supported by a comprehensive Planning and Heritage Statement which addressed all the relevant issues systematically and in detail. It was felt that the array of Pvs were more aesthetically pleasing than those in the previous application that had been withdrawn. A discussion ensued regarding the balance to be made between the need to protect the Conservation Area whilst acknowledging the need to promote schemes for sustainable energy which would benefit the school and the wider community.

The Parish Council resolved to support the Application on the basis of the degree of harm being outweighed by the public benefits of the scheme.

<u>19/03249/TCA</u> - Applicant: Mr. Andrew Joynt.

Acer Campestre - reduce height to 4.5 - 5m and balance canopy spread. Leylandii - fell.

The Leylandii was deemed to be a poor specimen and that removal would be beneficial before it grew much larger and did more damage to an existing wall. The Parish Council resolved to support this Application.

095/19 Grass Cutting:

Confirmation as to who cuts the different areas of the Tyning/cemetery needs to be obtained from James Lock and Alan Duck so that duplication does not arise. Cllr. Hawker to liaise with Alan and James.

096/19 Finance:

The following payments were approved.

Alan Duck for grass cutting on the Tyning field

2 nd May 2019	-	£70.00
14 th May 2019	-	£70.00
27 th May 2019	-	<u>£70.00</u>
TOTAL	, -	£ <u>210.00</u>

Alan Duck for grass cutting on the Tyning field :

3 rd June 2019	-	£70.00
18 th June 2019	-	£70.00
TOTAL:		£140.00

James Lock for grass cutting as per maintenance contract.

24th July 2019 - <u>£300.00</u>

 30^{th} July 2019Parish MagazinePrinting.- $\pounds 265.40$

097/19 - <u>External and other meetings:</u> None other than Cam Valley meeting to be held at the Freshford Village Hall on the 18th September.

098/19 - <u>Exchange of further information</u>: None forthcoming.

099/19 - Date of next meeting:

Monday 9th September at 7 o`clock.