

MINUTES OF THE PITCHCOMBE PARISH COUNCIL
MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON
FRIDAY 24TH JANUARY 2020 AT 7PM

Present: Cllr Nigel Shaw Chairman
 Cllr Philippa James Vice Chairman
 Cllr Beverly Gorton

In Attendance: Jamie Cross

The meeting began at 7.05pm. An introduction was given to Jamie Cross - it was his first time attending a meeting with Pitchcombe Parish Council.

1. TO RECEIVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Michael Little

2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA

There were none.

3. MATTERS ARISING NOT ON THIS AGENDA

a. The Parish Council discussed the emails from Mr Slater and Cllr Little. Cllr Nigel Shaw had written a possible response which was read between those in attendance. It was however agreed that this wasn't a proper Parish Council matter and the Parish Clerk should just acknowledge the emails in question.

b. Cllr Nigel Shaw asked the Parish Clerk to resend the December minutes for approval.

c. Cllr Nigel Shaw gave an update about the printing of the parish book, currently being funded through the National Heritage Lottery Fund. It was suggested that an additional 50 copies could be printed for future use in the village at an estimated cost of £100. It was agreed that if needed the Parish Council could pay for the additional copies out of the reserve funds.

d. An update was given by Cllr Philippa James regarding the forthcoming footpath work. The work is due to begin on 6th February 2020. A cheque will be written once the final cost has been agreed. The Parish Clerk will deliver this to the council members to sign.

e. The Parish Clerk informed those present that she is expecting a baby in May. Arrangements will be put in place to ensure there is cover for the May meeting.

f. Jamie Cross raised the issue regarding Cllrs using their personal email accounts for council business - there was a concern regarding GDPR. Jamie Cross will research how we can obtain council email addresses and the cost involved.

g. The Parish Clerk reminded the congregation about the recent planning application and deadline. It was agreed that Cllr Philippa James would visit the neighbouring properties concerned and send her recommendations on behalf of Pitchcombe Parish Council.

4. FINANCE

a. To set a budget for the FY 2020/21

The budget was agreed between the Cllrs. The Parish Clerk will send copies to the Cllrs and upload the budget to the website once complete.

b. To set a precept for the FY 2020/21

It was agreed that the precept would be increased to £3250. The Parish Clerk will confirm this with Stroud District Council before 31/01/2020.

**THERE BEING NO FURTHER BUSINESS
THE MEETING CLOSED AT 7.55PM**