**Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council – 8/18-19**

**Tuesday 15th January 2019**

**Present:** Cllrs E Taylor (Chair), L Duval (Vice Chair), R Horrell, P Fryatt, R Rosie Tarling-Toley,

E Curbishley, S Harris & R Maxwell

Mrs J Tufnail (Clerk)

108. There was no public participation

109. Apologies had been received from Cllrs R Lymn & W Brackenbury (ENC & NCC)

110. No interests were declared.

111. The Minutes of the meeting held on 18th December 2018 were approved & duly signed by the Chair.

112. P**lanning** – None received.

113. **Finance**

1. Cllr Horrell reported he had carried out the Internal Control checks without issue. Cllr Duval agreed to do February’s checks.
2. The Bank and Budget Reconciliations for December wereconsideredand it was **resolved** to accept them together with the Payment List for January which was also considered. It was **resolved** to approve authorisation at the Bank and invoices for signature in accordance with the Financial Regulations.
3. The Council’s Budget for the year 2019-2020 was considered and it was **resolved** to agree the Budget.
4. To the Council’s Precept request for the year 2019-2020 was considered and it was **resolved** to request £23,500 from ENC. The Clerk was authorised to submit the request.

114. **Recruitment of New Clerk**

1. Cllr Taylor reported to the Council that a new Clerk had been appointed to start as soon as possible to facilitate a hand-over period.

115. **Highways**

1. Cllr Fryatt updated the Council and a discussion followed.
2. The Grounds Maintenance contract for Islip was considered following a further quotation being received from Turneys. Despite requests, no further quotations had been received. It was **resolved** to give the contract Wellingborough Norse. The Clerk was requested to advise Wellingborough Norse and to request a break-down of costs in line with the Council’s cost centres.

116. **Recreation Ground**

1. The inspection reports were received and considered. A fencing issue was discussed and a solution reached.
2. Cllr Taylor advised the Council that the refurbishment was in hand.

117. **Sports Field**

Cllr Maxwell updated the Council on the Sports Field and briefly reported on the budget for 2019-20.

Cllr Maxwell left the meeting at 8.30pm

118. **Community Matters**

1. Islip Fete – Cllr Duval reported that the next meeting for those interested in village Fete would take place on 28.1.19.
2. Fundraising Quiz 26th January 2019 – Ticket sales were discussed as were other organisational details.

119. Neither ENC nor NCC Councillors were present.

120. The Clerk reported on correspondence received. It was noted that the VAT return had been completed

121. Cllr Harris commented on local developments. Cllr Horrell reported the full dog bin on Mill Road, Clerk to report to ENC & the ivy on the trees along Kettering Road.

122. There being no further business, the meeting closed at 9.00pm

The next meeting of the Parish Council to be held on 19th February 2019