

**LITTLE BIRCH PARISH COUNCIL –PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON**  
**Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 7.00pm - At Little Birch Village Hall**

**MINUTES**

**PRESENT:**        **Councillors;** (PR) Peter Rees (Chair); (MD) Mike Davies; (JG) Janet Gwinnett;  
                         (KR) Kate Robbins;

**ALSO:**            Ward Cllr: Toni Fagan, Sophie Glover (Parish Clerk), 2 members of the public.

**Meeting Opened: 7.02pm**

**A 10 minute period from 7.30 p.m. was allocated, before the meeting opened, to enable members of the public to address the Parish Council**

A comment was made about salt bins being poor along school lane, they are the old blue bins with out lids. Clerk was asked to approach Balfour Beatty to remove some of the bins and replace them with one larger bin with a lid. To be placed above Whitycombe on the corner.

<b>1.</b>	<b>Apologies - (KD) Kate Dillon;</b>	<b>ACTIONS</b>
<b>2.</b>	<b>Declaration of interest</b> None	
<b>3.</b>	<b>To accept minutes of the November and December: Parish Council meetings</b> Proposed: PR            Seconded:MD  All in agreement. It was resolved to accept that the minutes as a true record of the meeting.	
<b>4.</b>	<b>Action points from previous PC meetings</b> All addressed, or on the agenda. Thanks were passed on to John Dillon for putting up the 'no through road' sign at Holy Thorn.	
<b>5.</b>	<b>Ward Cllr report (Cllr Toni Fagan)</b> Sent electronically. She explained that they have been working on the corporate plan, looking at addressing the environment, economy etc with in the plan. There is an expectation that there will be an increase in Council Tax of about 4%. TF talked about the 'talk communities' in villages. The idea is to have hubs of information in a more localised way. There will be grants available to assist with this. <b>Police update</b> Nothing sent.  <b>James Howell, Balfour Beatty</b> - Reports sent weekly.	
<b>6.</b>	<b>Jobs for the lengthsman</b> North of the village, Barrack Hill is flooding, next to Uplands. School lane: the verges have been eroded by careless drivers; it is thought that this is the bin lorry as well as poor driving.	<i>-Clerk to inform L'man and ask him to identify problem</i> <i>-Clerk to inform BB</i>
<b>7.</b>	<b>Planning applications;</b> None	
<b>8.</b>	<b>Feedback on any training or meetings attended, including broadband provision for Little Birch.</b> PR attended the core strategy meeting before Christmas. Thought it was very interesting, noted that as part of the review of the core strategy the RA	



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