

**Minutes of the  
Meeting Of Freeby Parish Council  
Held on 8th January 2018  
at 7.30pm in Freeby Village Hall**

**Those Present:** Mrs Beverley Howes (Chairman)  
Kerry Conboy (Vice Chairman)  
Ian Manchester  
Simon Faulks  
Peter Barnett  
Frances Waberski (Clerk)

**Apologies:** Malise Graham

1 The minutes of the last meeting were read and agreed.

**2 Matters arising**

**Broadband** – After the last meeting, Niall Mullins advised Frances Waberski that Leicestershire County Council will be reviewing broadband coverage in the County shortly. The time to make representations about poor broadband coverage will be then. Frances Waberski to contact Niall Mullins to ask further about the process and make sure they do not miss the timescale.

**Bank Account Update and Amendments** - Internet banking has ben set up and is working. Frances Waberski to get forms for Beverley Howes and Simon Faulks to sign and become signatories on the account.

**Data Protection Officer** – Kerry Conboy has taken up the role and will be going on a course.

**3 First Aid Course** – It was agreed that the first aid course was excellent and very useful. A donation of £100 was given.

**4/ 5 B676 Bridge works** - Jeremy Norton has told Beverley Howes that the road will be closed again for repair works to the road surface. It should just take 2 days and the intention is to close it between 9am and 3pm on those days.

Frances Waberski is to write a formal complaint to Leicestershire County Council about the complete disregard which was given to local residents and the local community because of

the length of time it took to carry out the renewal of the culvert. Also, there was a disappointing lack of support from the County Council during this period when they were contacted.

**6 Precept** - The budget was agreed and £1500 will be applied for.

**7 Freeby Village Bus Shelter** – Frances Waberski, Ian Manchester and Simon Faulks declared a conflict of interest. The plans for the development of the Old Bake House were looked at again. Freeby Estate agreed to consider whether it actually is necessary to move the bus shelter.

## **8 Planning -**

**The Old Bakehouse, Freeby** – change of use from agriculture to commercial office use. Decision pending.

**Glen Farm, Freeby** – change of use from domestic dwelling to childminding. Granted.

**Saxby Church** – protection to windows, erection of temporary carport, erection of garden office. Application withdrawn.

**Keepers Cottage, Stapleford** – application to fell ash tree. Decision pending.

**Old Schoolhouse, Stapleford** – application to fell ash tree. Decision pending.

## **9 Any Other Business –**

There is constantly standing water at Thorpe End junction in Melton Mowbray. It could be hazardous. Frances Waberski to write to MBC to ask if the problem could be rectified.

The grit bins in Freeby have been refilled.

There has been a spate of fly tipping at the top of Wyfordby Hill.

Potholes at Brentingby – the verges and road edges along the Brentingby/ Wyfordby/ Stapleford have been severely damaged due to the increased volume of traffic caused by the recent closure of the B676. Frances Waberski to write to Highways.

A1 Storage – illuminated signs have been put up on the railway bridge at Saxby Station which are very distracting. Also, metal frames have been placed along the side of the B676, very close to the road edge. Concerns about the danger they could pose to road users were raised. Also, a second tier of storage units have been put up along the road side. Frances Waberski is to write to MBC.

**Date of next meeting – the AGM Monday 9<sup>th</sup> April 2018 at 7.30 pm.**

There being no other business, the meeting closed at 8.20 pm.