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Minutes of an Extraordinary Council Meeting of Ford Parish Council held on Tuesday 24th October 2017 at Ford Village Hall at 7PM

Present: Cllr. S. Hanmer (Chairman), Cllr. A. Briggs, Cllr. W. Clyne, Cllr. A. Horn. Cllr. I. Mapp, Cllr. J. Southan, Cllr. L. Walton

Absent: Cllr. Jones and Cllr. Mortimer

In attendance: 1 member of the public

Clerk: Mrs R. Turner

Item	Topic/Discussion	Action																																																		
1.	Apologies for absence Received from Cllr. Jones and Cllr. Mortimer																																																			
2.	Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and requests for dispensations under Section 33 of the Localism Act 2011 Cllr. Hanmer declared a bias interest in Item 8.																																																			
3.	Public Participation Session No comments. The Chair explained that this meeting would replace the Finance Committee meeting scheduled for 7 th November as the clerk was not able to attend that meeting due to a diary clash.																																																			
4.	Payments becoming due It was <u>RESOLVED</u> to approve payment of the following, including payments made between meetings: <table><tr><th>Ref</th><th>Payee</th><th>Item</th><th>Chq no /payment type</th><th>Amount</th></tr><tr><td>P56-1718</td><td>SCPF</td><td>Pension Sep</td><td>BACS</td><td>£72.73</td></tr><tr><td>P57-1718</td><td>Npower</td><td>Electricity</td><td>DD</td><td>£7.26</td></tr><tr><td>P58-1718</td><td>Npower</td><td>Electricity</td><td>DD</td><td>£126.97</td></tr><tr><td>P59-1718</td><td>Ditton Services</td><td>Weed treatment</td><td>BACS</td><td>£1200.00</td></tr><tr><td>P60-1718</td><td>Ford Parish Hall</td><td>Room hire & caretaker</td><td>BACS</td><td>£452.00</td></tr><tr><td>P61-1718</td><td>Kingsley Press</td><td>Newsletter</td><td>BACS</td><td>£192.00</td></tr><tr><td>P62-1718</td><td>Landright Services</td><td>Grass cutting & jet washing</td><td>BACS</td><td>£336.00</td></tr><tr><td>P63-1718</td><td>SALC</td><td>Affiliation, training & NP guide</td><td>BACs</td><td>3321.16</td></tr><tr><td>P64-1718</td><td>SYA</td><td>Youth worker</td><td>BACS</td><td>£290.00</td></tr></table>	Ref	Payee	Item	Chq no /payment type	Amount	P56-1718	SCPF	Pension Sep	BACS	£72.73	P57-1718	Npower	Electricity	DD	£7.26	P58-1718	Npower	Electricity	DD	£126.97	P59-1718	Ditton Services	Weed treatment	BACS	£1200.00	P60-1718	Ford Parish Hall	Room hire & caretaker	BACS	£452.00	P61-1718	Kingsley Press	Newsletter	BACS	£192.00	P62-1718	Landright Services	Grass cutting & jet washing	BACS	£336.00	P63-1718	SALC	Affiliation, training & NP guide	BACs	3321.16	P64-1718	SYA	Youth worker	BACS	£290.00	
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5.	<p>Draft budget 2018/19</p> <p>The clerk outlined the draft budget. The council is facing potential extensive cuts in grants currently received from Shropshire Council – the youth grant may be removed completely, and the future of the Environmental Maintenance Grant is uncertain; it was hoped that the grant funding available would be known by January 2018 and the clerk therefore advised that the council does not finalise its budget until the January council meeting. If grants are lost, the council would need to consider how to fund the activities currently funded by the grant e.g. by the precept being increased. These factors had led to a proposed precept of £20,000. This still would require circa £3629 of reserves to be used. The council understood the reasons for the increased budget and the need to be cautious about use of reserves.</p> <p>The clerk was asked to revise the budget incorporating the following changes:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Youth club</i> – increase budget to £5000. £4500 for youth worker (core cost of £500 and £1000 in case extra youth worker support is needed) and £500 for equipment. • <i>Defibrillator</i> - budget to be increased to £1000. • <i>Recreation ground maintenance</i> – the cutting is taking the contractor longer than he originally envisaged. He was therefore asking for an extra £15 for each cut. This meant that including all grass cutting, line marking and an annual clean of the sports court and youth shelter, a budget of £1600 was needed for recreation grounds maintenance of the recreation ground. 	
6.	<p>Shrewsbury North West Relief consultation</p> <p>It was RESOLVED to support the proposal as it will alleviate local traffic issues and improve road safety.</p>	
7.	<p>Social Media Policy</p> <p>The clerk advised that the new Facebook page was now set up and the clerk recommended that the council has a logo drawn for its profile picture and official correspondence was needed for the Parish Council. It was agreed to accept a quote for £55 to provide a logo.</p> <p>It was noted that the Ford Parish Community site is being administered solely by Andy Briggs in his capacity as a member of the general community.</p>	
8.	<p>Late Items</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • <i>Environmental Maintenance Questionnaire</i> – it was agreed to respond asking for the grant to be retained. • <i>Local Plan Review Meeting</i> – Cllr. Evans had asked if neighbouring parishes could be invited to hear about the Local Plan Review – it was agreed to allow this and noted that the meeting venue will be Trinity CE School. It was also noted that it is proposed that Ford be allocated a s a community hub and that hubs will have a development boundary and a housing guideline figure; it was noted that Ford has previously had a development boundary. • 	

	<p><i>Cllr. Hanmer left the meeting and Cllr. Southan took the chair.</i></p> <p><i>It was RESOLVED that pursuant to Schedule 12A, Local Government Act 1972 and pursuant to the provisions of the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960, that the public and press should be excluded during discussion of Item 9 as it concerns legal matters</i></p>	
9.	<p>Correspondence received</p> <p>The correspondence was noted and the council RESOLVED to approve the proposed response to the correspondence.</p>	

Signed by Chairman Date