

## **Bowsden Parish Council**

Minutes of **Parish Council Meeting** held at Bowsden Village Hall

on Tuesday 11<sup>th</sup> February 2014

**Present:** Parish Councillors: Ian Jackson (Chairman), Julie Gibbs, Derek Snee, Jayne Watson, David Wilson, Sandra Mansell (Parish Clerk).

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Cllr Watkin (NCC)
2. **Co-option of Additional Parish Councillor:** Julie Gibbs was unanimously co-opted on the proposal of Derek Snee, seconded by David Wilson.
3. **Declaration of Interest:** There were no declarations of interest.
4. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** The minutes of the meeting on Tuesday 29<sup>th</sup> October were unanimously accepted as a true record.

5. **Matters Arising** – The Clerk confirmed that BT would not remove a telephone box when there was only one in a community and it had been cleaned.  
Ian Jackson was thanked for organizing the tidying up in the park.  
The Clerk apologized for not yet organizing an Emergency Response Course. It was agreed that an afternoon would probably be the most suitable for a course.  
Derek Snee was thanked for putting together the new Website which would be an asset to both the Parish Council and the Village Hall. Thanks also to Diane Carter for volunteering to keep the Website updated.

6. **Finance** – The figures provided by the Clerk were unchanged and, with only nominal expenditure likely for the remainder of the year, it was agreed to provide funding of £500 to assist with the upkeep costs of the Village Hall which was provided for the whole community but received funding from only those who used it plus some bookings from outside the village.  
It was agreed that the ongoing costs of the new website would be funded by the Parish Council.

7. **Planning Applications** – There were no applications to discuss.

8. **Any Other Business** – The Clerk reported that the footpaths at the east end of the village were in very poor condition and she had emailed the County Council who had agreed to repair them.

So far there had been no progress with the repairs to the splays where the road out of the village joins the B6525. This would be followed up again.

**Date of Next Meeting** It was agreed that the next meeting would be the AGM in conjunction with the Village Hall AGM on 20<sup>th</sup> May unless an earlier meeting was felt to be necessary.