

Bowsden Parish Council

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

on Wednesday 27th September 2017

Present: Parish Councillors: Ian Jackson (Chairman), Julie Gibbs, Graeme Reavley, Jayne Watson, David Wilson, Sandra Mansell (Parish Clerk), and Residents, Mr H Wilson and Mr & Mrs Denham

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Derek Snee
2. **Declaration of Interest:** There were no declarations of interest.
3. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** The minutes of the meeting on 18th July were accepted as a true record.
4. **Matters Arising** – The Clerk reported that Howard Cully had submitted the application for Speed Signage from the Community Foundation Fund. The Clerk also reported that the guidance on Parish Council Policies was ongoing.
5. **Finance** – The current financial position was noted. In answer to a question from the Chairman the Clerk explained that the next half year precept was imminent. Potential costs over the next few months were discussed and it was noted that there would be maintenance costs if the speed signage funding application, which had gone forward to the second stage, was successful. The Annual Audit had been completed but a charge of £36 had been levied as a letter had been sent by the auditors requesting an explanation of the additional 1% (i.e. £10) of expenditure over that of the previous year for which the clerk hadn't provided any details.
6. **Planning Applications** – There were no Planning Applications to discuss.
7. **Local Transport Plan** – The request to move the 30mph limit signs at the west end of the village was still on the request list. It was agreed to draw the County Council's attention to the possibility of Deer Signage and also to request further attention to the poor road surface at the junction with the B6525.
8. **Any Other Business** – Mr H Wilson provided details of his ongoing discussions regarding the bus services through the village but it was felt that little could now be achieved.

It was agreed that Derek Snee would be asked to explore the possibilities of a Monkey Survey (a paper survey to also be available) to try to ascertain the views of residents on all matters relevant to the parish with a view to funding requests either through the Wind Farm or Parish Council funding.

Date of Next Meeting Wednesday 17th January at 7pm