

Bowsden Parish Council

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

on Wednesday 9th May 2018

Present: Parish Councillors: Ian Jackson (in the Chair), David Wilson, Graeme Reavley, Sandra Mansell (Parish Clerk) & Residents, Mr & Mrs Simpson, Mr Denham, Mr P Owen, Mrs A Brown, Mrs C Strachan, Ms D Baynton and Mr & Mrs H Wilson

1. **Apologies for Absence:** Julie Gibbs, Derek Snee & Jayne Watson
2. **Declaration of Interest:** There were no declarations of interest.
3. **Minutes of Previous Meeting** The minutes of the meeting on 18th January were accepted as a true record.
4. **Matters Arising** – Graeme Reavley explained that there was no further information from the County Council regarding the Speed Signage and he would contact them again about moving the 30 MPH sign.
5. **Finance** – The current financial position was noted.

The Village Hall Committee had submitted an application for funding and, having looked at their accounts, a contribution of £500 was agreed. It was also agreed to continue subscribing to the LCR publication which may be helpful for the incoming clerk.

6. **Planning Applications** – There were no Planning Applications to discuss, an application for a change of use for a Right of Way having been agreed out of meeting due to time constraints.

It was acknowledged that Planning Applications usually require a time limited response and it was therefore agreed that, in future, an outline of an application would be published on the Notice Board to enable residents to look at the full plans and comment on them if they so wished. It was also noted that all applications were published on the County Council's website.

7. **Any Other Business** – A letter had been received regarding an Armistice Vigil in November.

The new Data Protection requirements had initially required the appointment of a Data Protection Officer which could not be undertaken by the Parish Clerk. More recently it seemed likely that the smaller Parish Councils would not be required to have a Data Protection Officer. This is ongoing.

Date of Next Meeting To be agreed for late June or early July.

In drawing the meeting to a close the Chairman thanked the outgoing Clerk, who was moving away from the village, for the work she had done and flowers and a gift were presented to her. The Chairman then announced that Michael Simpson had been appointed as the new Clerk and Treasurer.