BUCKLAND FILLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting

Buckland Filleigh Village Hall

Wednesday 11 May 2016 after 7:30pm Annual Meeting

Present: A.P.Pett (Chairman), T.G.Bond (Vice Chairman), D.G.Balsdon, A.J.Nethacott, J.Salter.

1. Apologies: None.

2. Declarations of interest: None.

3. Open Session for members of the public to speak:
Chris Caines attended to familiarise himself with the role of Parish Clerk. There were no other members of the public present.

4. Minutes of meeting held on 21 April 2016 and matters arising:
The minutes were approved by the meeting and signed by the Chairman.

5. Finance:

5.1. VAT refund:
The Parish Clerk has submitted a claim to HMRC for a refund of the VAT that has been paid over the past 3 years. The total of £377.70 will be paid into the Parish Council bank account.

6. Administration:

6.1. Police matters: There was no update provided to the meeting.

6.2 Torrington Area Advisory Group:
Councillor Bond had attended the most recent meeting.

- There was a presentation on rural broadband, which said that people receiving less than 1.2Mb could claim a £500 voucher towards a solution, and that people could "club together" to implement a solution for the group
- If the Parish Council creates an Emergency Plan, which names the individuals who could help out, and lodges this with TDC, then those individuals will be insured by TDC whilst carrying out any activities to resolve an emergency.

7. Review of planning applications in Buckland Filleigh and adjoining parishes:
There was some concern over the size of the proposed development at East Lodge but it was decided that no objection would be made.

8. Footpaths and Roads:
Nothing of note or actions therefrom.

9. Correspondence:
Councillor Pett had been asked why there were no details of the Parish Council in the Buckland Filleigh Newsletter. The outgoing Parish Clerk will submit contact details of the Councillors to the Newsletter and introduce the new Parish Clerk.

10. Matters to be added to the next Agenda:
Discuss the benefits and cost of producing an Emergency Plan.

[The meeting closed at 8:09pm]