

Minutes of the Meeting of Frampton Cotterell Parish Council
4 March 2010
Held at the Brockridge Centre, Woodend Road, Frampton Cotterell

Present: Mrs J C Rowan (*Chairman*) Mrs P Bashford, Mr D Broome, Mr T Clothier, Mr W Hendy, Mr D Hockey, Pat Hockey, Mr R King, Mrs J Stickland, Mr R Thomson, and Mr R Underhill.

Apologies: Mr J Farbrother, S Kitching, D Manfield and S Tubey

625 Evacuation Procedure

The Chairman drew attention to the emergency evacuation procedure.

626 Declarations of Interest under the Local Government Act 1972

- Cllrs D and P Hockey declared that the participation of those Parish Councillors who are also members of South Gloucestershire District Council in both the debate and any subsequent vote on matters contained in the agenda would be on the basis that the views expressed were preliminary views taking account of the information currently available to the Parish Council. Parish Council members who are also District Councillors reserved their final views until they were in full possession of all relevant information both for and against.
- Cllrs Broome and Clothier declared personal interests as Parish Council representatives on Frampton Cotterell Over 50s Computer Group.
- Cllr Mrs Stickland declared an interest as a member of the Frampton Cotterell Over 50s Computer Group

627 Report from Acting Clerk and Ian Morgan (SW Employers)

RESOLVED: IN VIEW OF THE CONFIDENTIAL NATURE OF THE BUSINESS TO BE TRANSACTED, TO EXCLUDE THE PRESS AND PUBLIC FOR THE NEXT ITEM OF BUSINESS

Members considered the substance of a counter-claim in response to the offer confirmed by the Council on 22 February. The claim was discussed in detail item by item. Members recognized that, if no agreement could be reached, then specialist legal advice should be sought to assist the Council in planning its next steps.

RESOLVED: TO READMIT THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED:

- That the proposal set out in the Confidential Appendix to these minutes be approved as the Council's best and final offer
- That a response by 12 March 2010 at the latest be requested
- That authority to conclude a settlement with the Clerk be delegated to the Chairman and Vice-Chairman along the lines indicated in the Confidential Appendix.

628 Any Other Business

Cllr Mrs Rowan reported her attendance earlier that day at a seminar run by Peninsula Business Services, which had proved very interesting. The HR and H & S services that they could provide to the Council would be discussed with their senior consultant for the South West in the near future. Any proposals arising from that meeting would be referred to the F & GP Committee for consideration.

The report was noted.

629 Date of next meeting

MONDAY 29 MARCH 2010 AT 7.30PM AT THE BROCKERIDGE CENTRE