



**MINUTES OF AN EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF THE FRESHWATER PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 18<sup>th</sup> SEPTEMBER 2018 AT 7.10 PM IN THE COUNCIL CHAMBER OF THE MEMORIAL HALL**

**PRESENT:** Councillors: G Kennett (Chair), D Eccles, T Nicholson, C Fleury, B Hobbs, T Dimmick, D James, and C Bray.

**ABSENT:** Cllrs V Lowthion and A Harris.

Members of the public: 0

Clerk: M J Mills

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**1. APOLOGIES.**

Cllrs. A Bamford, G Cameron, H White and B Hinton MBE. Also County Cllr J Medland.

**2. TO CONSIDER ARRANGEMENTS FOR TREE WORKS AND APPROVAL OF QUOTATIONS.**

Cllr Bray confirmed that the work had been discussed by Land Management Committee. It was all work which had been identified by the tree consultant. £540 was for Stroud Coppice which had a £2000 budget (so far unused). This was approved. Quote 18/044 was for work in April 2019 so that would be re-considered nearer the time.

Quote 18/045 was work which needed doing in the autumn. It came to a total of £3675 plus VAT. The RFO pointed out that 3 quotes would normally be required but there was an exception for specialist services. It was agreed to proceed with this quote on the basis that comparative quotes would be obtained next time.

Cllr James suggested that if trees were in between power lines (as was the case with one of the elms) it may be possible to ask the power company to do the work without cost to the Council.

Quotation 18/045 included works to the hedge at Spinfish. Cllr Bray said that a neighbouring property had asked for some further cutting back so that they could access their boundary wall. It was agreed to give permission for them to carry out the work on the Parish Council's land.

**3. AVENUE ROAD PLANTERS - PLANTING SCHEME.**

This was agreed. Councillors felt that the areas by Avenue Road car park should also be taken over. The same person could be asked to produce another scheme. It was felt that it should be something other than roses. The Clerk will liaise with Isle of Wight Council re the transfer.

**4. THE ROYAL BRITISH LEGION WEST WIGHT BRANCH - ANNUAL SERVICE OF REMEMBRANCE. APPROVAL OF PURCHASE OF WREATHS.**

Cllr Fleury declared an interest. In response to a question from Cllr James it was confirmed that the wreaths were not plastic. Agreed to fund 2 wreaths at a total cost of £100.

The meeting closed at 7.35 pm.