

FARTHINGHOE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting

held on Wednesday 10 February 2021 at 7.00pm

This meeting was held virtually using Zoom platform.



Councillors present

- Mr Mick Morris (Chair) (MM)
- Mr James Harrison (JH)
- Mr Barry Willett (BW)
- Mr Trevor Jarvis (TJ)
- Mr John Grant (JG)
- Mr David Dashwood (DD)
- Mr Henry Bankes-Jones (HBJ)
- Mr David Weston (Clerk) (DW)

Apologies:

The Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority Meetings) (England) Regulations 2020 allows virtual meetings to be conducted during the Coronavirus Crisis.

ITEM		ACTION
02/21/828	To receive and approve apologies for absence. None	
02/21/829	To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda. (Members should disclose any interests in the business to be transacted and are reminded that the disclosure of a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest will require that the member withdraws from the meeting room during the transaction of that item of business.) None Declared	
02/21/830	Public participation session (members of the public are invited to address the council. The session will last for a maximum of 5 minutes with any individual contribution lasting a maximum of 1 minute. Members of the public should address their representations through the chairman of the meeting). No members of the public were present or dialled in.	
02/21/831	To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on 13 January 2021. Cllr Grant mentioned that 01/21/825 it should read 'the PC do not have the resources'. It was resolved that the minutes would be amended, and the Chairman would sign them. They were adopted as approved.	
02/21/832	Matters arising not covered in the main agenda. Cllr Grant reported that the resident who had installed the bollard in Queen Street has not removed it as promised. The root of this problem is the severe destruction of the verges in Queen Street along with pavement damage (between the A422 & Charlton Way). This is being caused by the recent increased use of this unsuitable carriageway by HGVs & oversized machinery. MM has written to the County Councillor to request an investigation with a view to a lasting solution.	

02/21/833	<p>To receive the correspondence since 8 January 2021 Requiring action. The flyer regarding the use of grit bins will be placed into the Chronicle. Discussion around the Deanshanger plan that was circulated by SNC. Cllr Morris felt that it could be good idea to consider such a plan. Cllr Grant stated we had previously discussed doing a plan but decided against it. Cllr Morris will enquire if such a village plan gives us greater protection against unwanted development over & above that afforded by the Local Area Plan.</p>	MM				
02/21/834	<p>To consider financial matters from the RFO: 834/1 To receive the financial report for January 2021. It was resolved that the financial report for January 2021 was presented and was duly approved. 834/2 To approve bills for payment. It was resolved to pay the following bills:</p> <table data-bbox="371 734 1267 808"> <tr> <td>NCALC Training</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£30.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Texprep</td> <td style="text-align: right;">£66.30</td> </tr> </table> <p>DW reported that there were enquiries on-going with the new electricity supplier over standing charges being applied to the account. It was resolved that during the current pandemic the PC would continue to allow The Fox and Limes Farm to advertise in the Chronicle at no cost as a gesture of support for the businesses. DW to write to both businesses to inform them.</p>	NCALC Training	£30.00	Texprep	£66.30	DW DW
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02/21/835	<p>To determine the Budget for 2021/2022 DW informed the precept request had been acknowledged by SNC. It was resolved to approve the quotes for service from Jon Hampson for grass cutting and Marcus Young Environmental for the dog bin for 2021/22.</p>	DW				
02/21/836	<p>Election 2021. The election is planned for 6 May 2021. Applications for posts on the Parish Council must be handed into SNC by 4pm 8 April 2021. Voting is still planned to take place in person in as secure a method as can be practically put in place. It was resolved to publish an article in the Chronicle explaining how people can register to postal vote. Cllr Morris stated we need to ensure we advertise for potential candidates for the Parish Council. Cllr Dashwood said the advert should encourage a greater diversity within the council. Election. Cllr Morris and DW will construct an article for the Chronicle.</p>	DW DW/MM				
02/21/837	<p>To determine responses to recent planning applications S/2020/2348/FUL Cherry Blossom Cottage Main Road The Council had concerns over the privacy of neighbours along with reservations over the design suitability in the Conservation Area. These concerns concurred with some</p>					

	<p>immediate neighbours' registered objections It was resolved to unanimously oppose this application.</p> <p>S/2021/0090/FUL The Old Bakery Baker Street</p> <p>It was resolved to unanimously support this application with a proviso that wooden garage doors would be more in keeping with the local environs.</p> <p>S/2021/0169/FUL Forceleap Farm Estate Office.</p> <p>It was resolved to unanimously support this application.</p>	
02/21/838	<p>To discuss traffic matters for the village.</p> <p>838/1 Gully work A422. Cllr Morris reported that the final section of work to connect the surface drainage gullies between Limes Farm & Manor Lane on the A422 had been stopped because the contractors felt that it was too dangerous to continue without a full road closure. This work will now be delayed until May 2021 at the earliest.</p> <p>838/2 Blocked drains Hinton in the Hedges road. Cllr Harrison is still waiting for Northants County Council (NCC) to do a site visit.</p> <p>838/3 Slippery & Structurally Unsound Footpath. Cllr Morris reported there has been no meaningful response from NCC Highways regarding this matter & a reminder has been sent to them.</p>	<p>MM</p> <p>JH</p> <p>MM</p>
02/21/839	<p>Bypass update.</p> <p>Cllr Grant reported the result of the public consultation will not be published until May 2021 when it is considered by West Northamptonshire Council.</p>	
02/21/840	<p>To appoint a Police Liaison Representative to act as a single point of contact with Northamptonshire Police.</p> <p>An article inviting applicants has been placed in the February Chronicle. DW has not been contacted by anyone asking for further information. DW will liaise with NCALC.</p>	DW
02/21/841	<p>Maintenance matters</p> <p>We are waiting for NCC Highways to sign a landowners consent form in order to complete the requirements for the grant from HS2. Once signed we can then order & install the new bus shelters.</p>	BW/DW
02/21/842	<p>Childrens' Playpark</p> <p>It was resolved that the clerk will raise an order for new bark with a delivery date of April. We will ask the village for a working party to assist.</p>	JG
02/21/843	<p>Defibrillator.</p> <p>Cllr Dashwood has carried out an inspection and all appears in order. He has agreed to carryout checks every 3-6 months and notify the clerk in order for the log of checks to be updated.</p>	DD
02/21/844	<p>Definitive Map Modifications</p> <p>Having discussed the document supplied by NCALC and Kier it was resolved there was no Further Action required in respect of Manor Lane and Bowling Green.</p>	
02/21/845	<p>Village Maps.</p>	

	It was resolved to defer any decision on progressing this until after the bus shelters are installed.	
	<p>Round the table</p> <p>Cllr Willet has received a number of complaints about dog fouling in Old Lane. An article in the Chronicle for March reiterating the need for owners to clean after their dogs and we will pass details of anyone not doing so to Environmental Health for action.</p>	

The meeting closed at 8.11 pm.

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 10th March 2021 at 7.00pm. At this time, it is anticipated it will be a virtual meeting.

FARTHINGHOE PARISH COUNCIL FINANCIAL REPORT

BANK STATEMENTS AT 31 January 2021	£15,559.57
Business Saver Account	£10,114.89
Community Account	£5,444.68

DIRECT DEBITS PRESENTED IN MONTH (FOR INFO ONLY) £0.00

RECEIPTS DURING MONTH: Nil

CHEQUES PRESENTED SINCE 31 December 2020	£874.14
UN-PRESENTED CHEQUES SINCE 31 December 2020	£285.92
CHEQUES/PAYMENTS DRAWN SINCE 13 January 2021	Nil

ACTUAL FUND POSITION AT 31 January 2021 £15,273.65

PLAYPARK FUND POSITION AT 31 January 2021	£2,130.18
DEFIBRILLATOR FUND POSITION AT 31 January 2021	£436.48
PRECEPT FUND POSITION AT 31 January 2021	£12,706.99

PRECEPT FUND

Bills for Payment 10 February 2021	
NCALC Training	£30.00
Texprep	£66.30
Total Closing Precept Fund at 10 February 2021	£12,610.69
Precept Reserves (for Parish Elections)	£1,500.00

PRECEPT POSITION AT 10 February 2021 £11,110.69

VAT Awaiting Claim from bills after 31 January 2021	£34.32
VAT Awaiting Claim Cumulative total	£138.16

PLAYPARK FUND

BILLS FOR PAYMENT January 2021	None
CLOSING PLAYPARK FUND AT 31 January 2021	£2,130.18

DEFIBRILLATOR FUND

BILLS FOR PAYMENT January 2021	None
CLOSING DEFIBRILLATOR FUND AT 31 January 2021	£436.48

Date	Received From	Correspondence from 8 January 2021 to 4 February	Action
08-Jan 18-Jan	NCALC	Weekly Update x2	DW circ to Cllrs
08-Jan	Email	Advice re playpark	DW circ to Cllrs
08-Jan	ACRE	Winter Newsletter	DW circ to Cllrs
12-Jan 18-Jan 27-Jan 2 Feb	NCC	Highways weekly e newsletter x 4	DW circ to Cllrs
13-Jan	Clerk	Budget version 0.4	DW circ to Cllrs
14-Jan	SNC	Stronger Communities Strategy	DW circ to Cllrs
14-Jan	OPCC	Dial in meeting reminder 18/1/2021	DW circ to Cllrs
15-Jan 27-Jan 2 Feb	Rural Services	Weekly Newsletter x 3	DW circ to Cllrs
15-Jan	SNC	Consultation on Deanshanger design	DW circ to Cllrs
15-Jan	Church	Cancellation of Church Services	DW circ to Cllrs
12- Jan 18 Jan 27 Jan 2 Feb	Kier	Weekly Update x4	DW circ to Cllrs
27-Jan	NCC	HS2 cycle paths meeting details	DW circ to Cllrs
27-Jan	SNC	housing Planning Consultation	DW circ to Cllrs
28-Jan	email	Cllr MM to Kier re: pipe connection	MM circ to Cllrs
02-Feb	NCALC	Quarterly bulletin	DW circ to Cllrs
28-Jan	SNC	S/2021/0090/FUL at The Old Bakery Baker Street	MM circ to Cllrs
02-Feb	Northants walking	Article for the Chronicle	DW circ to Cllrs
01-Feb	SNC	updated plans for S/2020/2348/FUL at Cherry Blossom Cottage	MM circ to Cllrs
02-Feb	Chronicle	February Edition	DW circ to Cllrs
02-Feb	NCALC	Issues regarding Definitive Map	DW circ to Cllrs
02-Feb	NCC	New Year Message	DW circ to Cllrs
03-Feb	SNC	Healthy Communities Newsletter	DW circ to Cllrs
04-Feb	NCC	Gritting Info	DW circ to Cllrs