

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FARTHINGHOE PARISH COUNCIL

HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 11th JULY 2012 AT 7.00pm AT THE VILLAGE HALL

Councillors present: Prof. David Mellor - Chair
Mr John Grant.
Mr Ian Hunt
Dr Nigel Heywood

Ms Sue Shepard (Clerk)

Public Time

1. Apologies: Cllr Jenny Forbes and Neil Downing

2. Minutes of previous meeting on 20th June were circulated prior to the meeting. The minutes were taken as read, adopted and signed.

3. Matters arising:

4. Finance:

4.1 Barclays Bank statements at 29th June 2012

Business Saver	£2,919.90
Community Account	£392.18
	£3,312.08

4.2 Expenditure:

The following payments were authorised and cheques signed:

Cheque	Payee	Amount	Power
100523	Texprep	£64.90	Local Government Act 1972 s142
100524	<i>Cancelled</i>		
100525	E.On lighting	£137.25	Parish Councils Act 1957 s 3
100526	Wetdog Creative	£48.00	Section 137
100527	Jon Hampson	£160.00	Open Spaces Act 1906 s 9 and 10
100528	John Hicks & Associates	£50.76	Open Spaces Act 1906 s 9 and 10
100529	Clerk's salary and expenses	£355.00	Local Government Act 1972 s112 and s111
100530	HMRC (PAYE)	£70.00	

4.3 Expenditure is close to the limit in some areas of the budget for the first half of the year. This will need to be monitored before the next half yearly precept payment is received at the end of September.

5. Correspondence since 20th June

South Northants Homes Major Works Briefing Paper May 2012

e-mail **Northamptonshire Police** Traffic arrangements for the Grand Prix

e-mail **snvb** July/August newsletter

e-mail **Brackley Information Bureau** Bulletin

e-mail **Northamptonshire Police** Reminder about closure of A43 for the Grand Prix

e-mail **NCALC** Danny Moody Code of Conduct latest

Training opportunities July – December 2012

NCALC Electoral Review of Northamptonshire: Draft Recommendations

Training Calendar July to December

e-mail **John Hicks & Associates**. Annual safety report for playground and invoice. *This will be an agenda item for September's meeting*
e-mail SNC and NALC's Codes of Conduct and Declaration of Pecuniary Interests (DPI) form – final versions.

- SNC**
- i) e-mail Ros Brettle Parish Council briefing on proposed changes to Draft Joint Core Strategy prior to publication for consultation on 7th August. *Reply by 13th July*
 - ii) e-mail Code of Conduct. Standards guidance 2012 and new Interests form
 - iii) Application for Designation of a Neighbourhood Area for Middleton Cheney *consultation from 5th July – 16th August*
- NCC**
- i) Northamptonshire Minerals and Waste Development Framework Partial Review Consultation on the Way Forward Consultation on a revised Statement of Community Involvement
 - ii) High Speed Two (HS2) – Rights of Way and Road Realignments -invitation to two representatives from the parish to attend meeting at Thorpe Mandeville Village Hall on Thursday, 19th July from 7.00pm – 9.00pm. *Cllr Grant will attend.*

6. Traffic Issues

The traffic survey recording heavy lorries through the village is complete. It is anticipated that the data will be reviewed by the transport team leader at SNC before being forwarded to NCC, after which a full report will be published and will be considered as part of the Highways Plan.

7. Registration of grass area at junction of Queens Street and Charlton Road with the Land Registry

It is anticipated that the paperwork will be completed within the next week and although Ian Dorward is not going to charge for doing the work, it has been agreed that the Parish Council will make a donation of £250 to Farthinghoe School.

8. New Code of Conduct

Copies of NALC's and SNC's Code of Conduct had been forwarded to all councillors and after some discussion the Parish Council agreed to adopt NALC's version. The Parish Council resolved that the Code of Conduct annexed be adopted as the code for members and co opted members of Farthinghoe Parish Council with effect from 11th July to replace the current Code of Conduct and the Clerk be requested to notify the Monitoring Officer of South Northamptonshire Council of the passing of the above resolution.

The Declaration of Pecuniary interests form was distributed and all forms need to be returned to the Clerk by 28th July.

9. Planning Matters:

None

Councillors round the table.....

1. The Chair had approved the proof copy for the amendments to the notice board.
2. Although having been cut today, the grass in some areas of the village was very long. Could the grass be cut more frequently? *NCC Highways are responsible for cutting the verges and this is done 2-3 times a year. **Update:** the next cut is planned for week beginning 13th August.*

3. The garage at the entrance to the village was looking in need of some care and attention. No other complaints had been received and it was not within the remit of the Parish Council to comment on the appearance of private property, unless relevant to a planning application.

4. **Reminder:** There will be no meeting in August and September's meeting is re scheduled for 19th

Date of Next Meeting

The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 19th September at 7.00 pm in the Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.40pm

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