

HELD ON WEDNESDAY, 8th APRIL 2015 AT 7.00pm IN THE BEASLEY ROOM AT THE VILLAGE HALL

Councillors present:

Mr Ross van Geest (Chair) (RVG)
Mr John Grant (Vice Chair) (JG)
Mr David Dashwood (DD)
Mr Mick Morris (MM)
Mrs Jenny Forbes (JF)
Mrs Sally Thomas (ST)
Mr Henry Bankes-Jones (HBJ)
Mrs Philippa Clayton (Clerk) (PC)

Apologies: None

ITEM	DESCRIPTION	ACTION
	There was no public time due to the Annual Parish Meeting following on immediately after the Parish Council meeting.	
1.	Apologies: Councillors had been pre-advised of the late arrival of Cllr Bankes-Jones who joined the meeting at 7.20pm.	
2.	Minutes of previous meeting on 11th March 2015. The minutes of the meeting of 11 th March 2015 had previously been approved electronically by all councillors and were adopted and signed at the meeting, along with the agenda for the meeting of 8 th April 2015.	
3.	Matters arising: The action points from the minutes of 11 th February 2015 were reviewed and the following items were discussed: 3.3 New Homes Bonus – Cllr Grant reported that he had visited Katie Holmes of SNC to discuss the application form. The deadline for submission of the form is May and Ms Holmes provided the name of a contact, Mel Bignall, who would be able to assist with correct completion of the form. She also advised that the New Homes Bonus available to Farthinghoe is now £7.7K as we are in a new financial year. A meeting has been set for 15 th April with Mel Bignall to complete the form. 3.6. Upgrade to noticeboard on Baker Street – Mike Phipps and Dave Hancock will be providing quotes for the upgrade. Cllr Grant will also speak to Val King of Baker Street. 5.3 Cllr Grant reported that he had written to Rob Dunmore of Northants Highways to ask how the village would be protected during the proposed roadworks. Highways are now planning to close the road for three weekends rather than overnight during the week. It was agreed that an update on the roadworks would be included in the next Chronicle and that there was no requirement to use the email database to communicate in this instance. 9.2 Cllr Grant reported that he had received a reply from the Chancellor of the Exchequer and circulated copies to the councillors at the meeting. It was agreed that councillors would consider the content of the letter and it would be included on the agenda for the next PC meeting to formulate a suitable response. 9.6 The Chair reported that the traffic issues page has still to be created on the website and consideration needs to be given to the text to be used as well as accompanying photographs. He thanked Cllr Morris for the information he had provided on historical traffic surveys within the village. There were no further matters arising from the review of the minutes.	JG JG PC PC RvG
4.	Finance: 4.1 The Clerk reported that the bank statements had been received since the agenda had been issued and that the true balances were: Barclays Bank statements as at 31 March 2015 Business Saver £200.35 Community Account £4,244.48 4.2 Income received in month: The Fox £66.30 Limes Farm £66.30 Bank interest £0.02	

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4.3	<p>Expenditure: The following payments were authorised and cheques signed by the Chair and Cllr Dashwood</p> <table><thead><tr><th>Cheque</th><th>Payee</th><th>Amount</th><th>Power</th></tr></thead><tbody><tr><td>100640</td><td>Texprep</td><td>£66.30</td><td>Local Government Act 1972 s142</td></tr><tr><td>100641</td><td>Farthinghoe Sports Field</td><td>£1,000.00</td><td>Section 137</td></tr><tr><td>100642</td><td>Clerk's salary and expenses</td><td>£355.00</td><td>Local Government Act 1972 s112 and s111</td></tr><tr><td>100643</td><td>HMRC</td><td>£70.00</td><td></td></tr></tbody></table>	Cheque	Payee	Amount	Power	100640	Texprep	£66.30	Local Government Act 1972 s142	100641	Farthinghoe Sports Field	£1,000.00	Section 137	100642	Clerk's salary and expenses	£355.00	Local Government Act 1972 s112 and s111	100643	HMRC	£70.00		
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5.	<p>Correspondence since 9th March 2015 The correspondence register can be found at the end of these minutes.</p> <p>Matters arising:</p> <p>5.1 Solar panels quote for the village hall – the Chair will issue an invitation to Pete Hampson, Chair of the Village Hall Committee, to attend the next Parish Council meeting. Mr Hampson will be asked to present their proposal, supported by a minimum of three comparative quotes.</p> <p>The Clerk to provide copy of title deeds and trust document relating to the village hall to Cllr Bankes-Jones for review.</p> <p>The Chair asked for volunteers to attend the next village hall meeting on 29th April. Cllrs Bankes-Jones and Forbes will check their availability and report back.</p> <p>5.2 The Clerk drew councillors' attention to the Youth Ambition Awards. It was agreed that this should be included in the next Chronicle and forwarded to the school.</p> <p>5.3 The Clerk informed the councillors that the insurance is due for renewal. Cllr Morris will speak to Peter Cross from Greatworth to see if he can provide advice. It was also agreed that the Clerk should obtain comparative quotes.</p> <p>The Clerk expressed concern that the insurance documents did not appear to reflect values of items listed in the risk register. It was agreed that she should make further investigations.</p> <p>5.4 It was agreed that the Clerk respond to the query from Newbottle Parish Council concerning updating of street lamps by stating that we are not aware of any issues within Farthinghoe, but would welcome any further information which may help determine if we are in the same position.</p> <p>5.5 Community Enhancement Gang – Cllr Thomas volunteered to make contact to see if we are still able to apply, even though we have officially missed the deadline.</p> <p>There were no further matters arising from the correspondence review.</p>	<p>RvG</p> <p>PC</p> <p>HBJ/JF</p> <p>PC</p> <p>MM PC</p> <p>PC</p> <p>PC</p> <p>ST</p>																				
6.	<p>Planning matters: 6.1 There were no planning applications for consideration.</p>																					
	<p>Councillors round the table... The Chair reported that he had received a communication regarding the Seven Sisters site, which will be included on the agenda for discussion at the May PC meeting.</p> <p>Cllr Thomas provided the Chair with a copy of a brochure from Boddington Village Hall, as an example of good advertising for a village hall.</p> <p>Cllr Forbes expressed concern about the amount of debris which remains in the ditch between Hinton Road and Queens Street from various road traffic accidents. It was established that Highways would be responsible for clearing this up and Cllr Forbes volunteered to contact them regarding the issue.</p>																					
	<p>Date of Next Meeting: The next meeting will be held on Wednesday, 13th May 2015 at 7.00pm in the Beasley Room at the Village Hall.</p>																					
	<p>The meeting closed at 7.55pm. 108fpcmnApril15</p>																					