Farndon Parish Council

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FARNDON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 4th DECEMBER 2018 AT 7.30PM, IN THE MEMORIAL HALL, FARNDON.**

**Present:** Cllr L Morris (Chairman), Cllr P Fish, Cllr F Henderson, Cllr J Hillyer, Cllr V Roberts, Cllr S Rowlandson, Cllr K Wakefield and Cllr H Williams.

**In attendance**: 2 members of the public andMrs C Taylor (Clerk).

**PART 1**

**214.18 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Cllrs D Finlay, J Griffiths, M Jones.

**215.18 GENERAL PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME.**

There were no matters raised.

**216.18 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

No declarations of interest were made.

**217.18 COMMUNITY SAFETY.**

PCSO Rachael McKevitt gave a short update and advised that she would be carrying out Junior Safety Officer work with the school on a monthly basis.

**Resolved: Noted**

**218.18 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR’S REPORT.**

Cllr Greenwood reported:

Riverside cabin: The validated planning application had yet to have an officer assigned.

**Resolved: Noted**

Speed Gun: Cllr Greenwood advised that he had purchased a speed gun from his Members Budget funding for the use of the Farndon Ward. He requested that Farndon Parish Council consider his request that they become the custodian of the gun.

**Resolved: Cllr Greenwood be thanked and the issue of custodianship be considered at the January meeting.**

**219.18 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.**

**Resolved: that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 6th November 2018 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.**

**Proposed by Cllr Fish, seconded by Cllr Rowlandson.**

**220.18 CLERK’S REPORT.**

**Resolved: That the report from the clerk be noted.**

**C5 bus: Resolved: Clerk to ask Stagecoach for more detail regarding the frequency of breakdowns and the impact on the service.**

**221.18 PLANNING.**

The following planning applications received by the Parish Council since/outstanding from the last meeting were considered:

 **Existing Applications where decision is still awaited:**

**15/02649/FUL** Farndon Boathouse and Café. Demolition of existing café/dwelling house buildings and erection of a replacement dwelling house.

**Resolved: Cllr Greenwood to ask Planning why this application had not progressed.**

**18/02438/FUL** Rioch, Church Lane, Farndon. Existing roof and single storey demolition with first floor extension and removal of trees.

**18/02855/LBC:18/03074/FUL** Tudor House, Church Lane, Farndon. Replacement windows and front door.

**18/03156/FUL:** 1 Belmont House, Churton Road, Farndon. Erection of garage and carport.

**18/03599/FUL:** Land at Pinnington Fields Farndon. Recreational chalet with fishing platform and change of use of land to recreational purposes (in retrospect).

**18/03880/FUL**: Crewe Hall Farm, Crewe Hill Lane, Crewe By Farndon. Anaerobic facility comprising a sealed digester unit with ancillary processing and engine unit.

**New applications:**

**18/04236/FUL:** 3 Nightingale Close, Farndon. Extension to single storey garage including conversion to accommodation.

**Decisions:**

**Approval: 18/03393/FUL:** Holly Bush Farm, Worthenbury Road, Crewe Farndon. Erection of agricultural building for the storage of hay/straw and farm machinery.

**222.18 FINANCE.**

**Resolved: that the payment of salaries and expenses, the payment of invoices for goods received and services rendered were approved, receipts and current balances noted.**

**Proposed by Cllr Roberts and seconded by Cllr Rowlandson.**

**223.18 BUDGET**

**Resolved: that the budget (as agreed by the Finance Working Party at a meeting held on 3rd December) be approved.**

**Proposed by Cllr Roberts and seconded by Cllr Fish.**

**224.18 ANNUAL INSPECTION OF PLAY AREAS 2018.**

The clerk updated on actions taken following the annual play area inspections.

* Quote sourced for repair work at Quarry Hill.
* Quote sourced for cutting back branches around skatepark.
* Issues raised with Fawns regarding play area at Farndon Community Club.

**Resolved:**

* **Quarry Hill: Accept quote and schedule work as soon as possible.**
* **Skatepark: Ask for a revised quote to take in additional requirements: replacement fence caps, possible resetting of gate post and cutting back unwanted planting within the area itself.**
* **FCC Play Area: Continue to liaise to conclusion with Fawns and Morral Play Services regarding some of the issues highlighted in the report. Ask contractor who fitted the gate to rehang so that it opens outwards as opposed to into the play space.**

**225.18 CORRESPONDENCE, PUBLICATIONS AND INVITATIONS.**

**CWAC: Received:**

Notification of publication of the Electoral Register.

Receipt of Election process information and confirmation that a briefing would be held on 5 March. Further details to be confirmed.

**Resolved: Noted.**

**RESIDENTS:**

Cllr Finlay consulted regarding badger activity in gardens in Nightingale Close/Greenway.

**Resolved: Noted.**

Newsletter feedback: One response received by Clerk.

**Resolved: Noted.**

**OTHER:**

Approval requested for layouts for 2 headstones.

**Resolved: Approved.**

Notification received from Revd Scurr that he would like to place a sign in the closed churchyard to mark two war graves unless the Parish Council objected.

**Resolved: Agreed.**

Crewe–By-Farndon Methodist Chapel/housing justice Cymru initiative: To host ten homeless people on Sunday nights January to March. Volunteer training to be held by the Chapel.

**Resolved: Noted. It was felt that residents should be made aware of the initiative and levels of supervision adequate. Cllr Rowlandson to make enquiries.**

**226.18 WEBSITE**

No update.

**Resolved: Noted.**

**227.18 FARNDON COMMUNITY CLUB.**

Following notice given by CWAC in October that the glass recycling bank at FCC was to be removed it had now been managed from the site.

**Resolved: Noted.**

A quotation for clearance works at the football field was tabled.

**Resolved: In view of potential developments with regard to a new band room (detailed at 228.18) the clerk would clarify the scale of works required with Mr Trevor-Barnston.**

**228.18 BRASS BAND.**

The clerk had met with Mr Trevor-Barnston who had shared plans to potentially build a new dual use band room/scout hut to replace the existing scout hut. A request had also been made for two overgrown trees and some redundant outbuildings to be cleared from behind the garages adjacent to the scout hut.

**Resolved: Noted. The Parish Council had no objection to the new building in principle and awaited more detail. The clerk would speak to the garage lease holders regarding the request to clear the trees and outbuildings.**

**229.18 MUGA**

Farndon Community Trust had written to the Parish Council on 24th November confirming the transfer of £29,310.82 to the Parish Council account. This amount represented the funds raised to 5th November 2018 for the MUGA fund. The clerk had confirmed, in writing, with the Trust that the amount would only be used for the sole purpose of the MUGA unless alternative use was with the agreement of the MUGA fundraising group.

**Resolved: Noted.**

The Trust had submitted the first stage of a grant application.

**Resolved: Noted.**

**230.18 STANDING CONSIDERATION OF HIGHWAY MATTERS.**

The following issues regarding highways and footpaths were raised:

Dual use bin at River Lane requested.

**Resolved: Clerk to request from CWAC.**

Pothole at end of Church Street reported.

**Resolved: Clerk to log with CWAC.**

Boardwalk: In need of repair – missing planks and sections of handrail in need of attention.

**Resolved: Clerk to request quote for repair works from Gott Solutions.**

Footpath at back of school: Access from new housing development in need of upgrade.

Resolved: Noted. The upgrade was planned but was as yet too early to implement.

**231.18 DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING.**

To confirm that the date and time of the next meeting is Tuesday 8th January 2019 at 7.30pm.

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