

## **Farndon Parish Council**

<b>MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF FARNDON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> MAY 2019 AT 7.30PM, IN THE MEMORIAL HALL, FARNDON.</b>
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**Present:** Cllr Griffiths, Cllr Jones, Cllr Morris, Cllr Williams, Cllr Hillyer, Cllr Findlay, Cllr Henderson, Cllr Rowlandson, Cllr Amphlett and Cllr Roberts.

**In attendance:** Paul Roberts, CWAC and Kerry Evans representing Farndon WI.

### **74.19. APPOINTMENT OF CHAIRMAN.**

The Chairman called for nominations for Chairman. Cllr H Williams was nominated by Cllr Rowlandson, seconded by Cllr Jones.

No further nominations were put forward.

**Resolved: that Cllr Williams is appointed Chairman of the Parish Council for the forthcoming year. All agreed.**

### **75.19. ACCEPTANCE OF OFFICE.**

Cllr Williams signed the Chairman's Declaration of Acceptance of Office; all new Members signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office witnessed and countersigned by fellow Councillors.

It was noted that Cllr Fish had signed her Declaration of Acceptance of Office prior to this meeting.

**Resolved: Noted.**

### **76.19. APPOINTMENT OF VICE CHAIRMAN.**

The Chairman called for nominations for Vice Chairman. Cllr P Fish was nominated by Cllr Williams, seconded by Cllr Jones.

No further nominations were put forward.

**Resolved: that Cllr P Fish is appointed Vice Chairman of the Parish Council for the forthcoming year.**

### **77.19. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.**

Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Fish and Mrs C Taylor (Clerk).

**Resolved: that the apologies be noted.**

### **78.19. GENERAL PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME.**

Kerry Evans, joint President of Farndon W.I. attended to ask for advice regarding planting a tree in the village as a result of a Grant obtained from the Heritage Lottery. Ms Evans asked if it could be a native tree and have a plaque on it to show that it is from the Farndon WI.

Suitable locations were discussed e.g. by the river, bottom of Barton Road or at the Club. If by the river flooding risks were mentioned and there are already trees at the Club to delineate the border between Barnston Estate and Parish Council land. It was agreed that something in the centre would be more fitting and it was agreed that we should approach Edward if we are considering the car park on Lloyd Close/High Street as a site.

### **79.19. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.**

No declarations of interest were made.

**80.19. COMMUNITY SAFETY**

**PCSO Rachel McKeivitt not present at this evening's meeting.**  
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**81.19. BOROUGH COUNCILLOR**

**Cllr Paul Roberts was officially welcomed and congratulated. He asked for areas for him to consider regarding the village and those mentioned were: -**

**Safety at the A534 junction and potholes getting much worse. Cllr Roberts is attempting to find out who to put his safety concerns to and he wishes to push forward to get answers. He shared that he has a meeting with the Headteacher of Farndon Primary School in the week to discuss School catchment areas.**  
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**82.19. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.**

**Resolved: that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 2<sup>nd</sup> April 2019 be confirmed as a true record and be signed by the Chairman.**

**Proposed by Cllr Rowlandson, seconded by Cllr Morris. Minutes were duly signed by Cllr Williams.**

**83.19. CLERK'S REPORT.**

**Resolved: that the clerk's report be noted.**

**Defibrillator training provisionally booked for 14<sup>th</sup> September 2019 by Village Surgeries PPG at an event at FCC. This would only be a taster. PC Newsletter to refer to the newly housed defibrillator on the pharmacy wall and ask residents interested in training to contact the clerk.**

**84.19. COMMITTEE MEMBERSHIP AND RESPONSIBILITIES.**

**Resolved: that membership and responsibility for the following committees was agreed as follows:**

Ch.A.L.C. area meetings – Cllr Williams and the clerk.

Burial Ground Committee – Cllr Roberts and Cllr Rowlandson and Cllr Jones. Committee is no longer required.

Finance Working Group - Cllr Rowlandson, Cllr Hillyer, Cllr Henderson, Cllr Morris and the clerk.

Planning Working Group – Cllr Jones, Cllr Griffiths, Cllr Morris and Cllr Williams.

Plumpton Harding Committee – Parish Council contacts are Rev Scurr, Margaret Clarke or Clive Mason.

Farndon United Charities – Cllr Roberts

Farndon War Memorial Hall Committee – Cllr Hillyer and Cllr Fish.

**85.19. APPROVAL OF STATUTORY DOCUMENTS.**

**Resolved: that Farndon Parish Council Standing Orders be approved without amendment. Farndon Parish Council Financial Regulations be approved without amendment and that the Risk Assessment be approved without amendment. The current Code of Conduct adopted by CWAC Council be readopted. Proposed by Cllr Roberts seconded by Cllr Jones. All agreed.**

**86.19. ANNUAL SUBSCRIPTIONS.**

**Resolved: that Farndon Parish Council will renew subscriptions to the Cheshire Association of Local Councils, Playing Field Association, Cheshire Community Action and the Mid Cheshire Footpaths Society. All agreed**

#### **87.19. ASSETS, DEEDS AND LEASES.**

**Resolved: that the assets, deeds and leases held by the Parish Council are noted without amendments.**

#### **88.19. ANNUAL INSURANCE.**

**Resolved: that insurance will be renewed with Zurich at a premium of £996.77 All agreed.**

#### **89.19. DATES AND TIMES OF MEETINGS TO BE HELD IN 2019/20.**

**Resolved: that Parish Council meetings will be held on the first Tuesday of each month with the exception of August.**

#### **90.19. PLANNING.**

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

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

**18/04624/FUL:** Hardley Farm Barton Road Farndon Chester Cheshire CH3 6NN  
Proposal: Construction of agricultural building.

**19/00353/FUL** Lodge Farm Worthenbury Road Crewe By Farndon Chester CH3 6PA

Proposal: Replacement front porch, dormer window to rear, render part of the external facade and alterations to the garage for use as part of the dwelling.

**19/00323/FUL** Rioch Church Lane Farndon Chester Cheshire CH3 6QD

Proposal: Conversion of existing garage to residential annex including raising of roof to provide first floor.

**19/00732/FUL** 51-52 High Street, Farndon. Change of use from shop to one dwelling.

**New applications:**

**19/00834/FUL** Fernleigh, Churton Road, Farndon. Erection of detached garage.

**19/01443/CAT** Bridge End, Church Lane, Farndon. Fell 1 x fir tree.

**19/01338/FUL** Branksome, High Street, Farndon. Proposed garden room.

**Decisions:**

None received.

#### **91.19. FINANCE.**

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

**Proposed by Cllr Jones, seconded by Cllr Roberts.**

#### **92.19. FARNDON WAR MEMORIAL HALL ANNUAL REPORT.**

**Chair read out accounts. Work is required to the roof and to a drain, quote given and gardening will be completed April and May 2019. There is a need to replace the tables and chairs and replace the curtains. The new recycling bin in the car park is now going to be emptied on a weekly basis. CWAC have quoted £313 for a grit bin for the car park**

**plus VAT and an extra £50 to maintain it. This will be placed on the June agenda. Research plastic bin prices and who would supply the salt/grit. Clerk to write to Chair of War Memorial Committee regarding buying the bin themselves and please copy Borough Cllr Roberts in the correspondence. Hire charges will remain the same. Resolved: Noted.**

#### **93.19. NEWSLETTER.**

**Resolved:** The newsletter is making progress and Cllr Henderson will finish it whilst away next week. Request for Clerk to get the chalk spray.

**Dog fouling** – Cllr Amphlett suggested a Working Party to clean up the village. Cllr V. Roberts will find out what other villages do to combat this problem.

#### **94.19. CORRESPONDENCE.**

Request from Farndon WI to plant a tree in the village.

Resolved: Dealt with at Item 78.19.

Letter from Walkers asking for Spring planter/basket requirements this year.

Resolved: Not required at Dawson's this year and just the cottages left now for baskets as G. Rigby does his own baskets as does the pub.

Request from War Memorial Committee to consider siting of a grit bin in the car park.

Resolved: see earlier discussion.

Letter from Fawns advising that a contractor has now been assigned to address issues with the play equipment at FCC.

Resolved: Noted.

Request for burial of cremated remains in Cremation Garden.

Resolved: Noted.

Request for approval of headstone inscription.

Resolved: no objections.

Letter from CWAC advising they will be in contact re speed gun training in June.

Resolved: Noted.

#### **95.19. FARNDON COMMUNITY CLUB**

**Nothing to note except that TFI Friday commences this week.**

#### **96.19. MUGA**

**Sponsored Walk taking place and a third of the money will go towards the MUGA Fund.**

#### **97.19 STANDING CONSIDERATION OF HIGHWAY MATTERS.**

Residents request for hedge at Ivy Cottage, Barton Road to be cut back.

Resolved: Suggested that there will be a reminder in the Newsletter regarding hedge cutting on Barton Road.

Residents request for give way signage at junction of Millfield Close/Greenway.

Resolved: This will also be addressed in the Newsletter about drivers being aware of their speed when joining Greenway from Millfield Close.

#### **98.19. DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING.**

**Resolved: that the date and time of the next meeting will be on Tuesday 4th June 2019 at 7.30pm.**

