Farndon Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FARNDON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 4th JUNE 2019 AT 7.30PM, IN THE MEMORIAL HALL, FARNDON.

Present: Cllr H Williams (Chairman), Cllr F Henderson, Cllr M Jones, Cllr L Morris, Cllr P Amphlett, Cllr J Hillyer, Cllr V Roberts and Cllr S Rowlandson.

In attendance: Cllr P Roberts, 1 member of the public and the Clerk.

99.19 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs Finlay, Fish and Griffiths.

100.19 GENERAL PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME

Members of the public attended the meeting to speak about the following issues:

Fish Farm, Townfield Lane: There had been reports from walkers of the smell of burning rubber.

Resolved: Clerk to report to CWAC.

101.19 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Declarations of Interest were made by Cllrs Henderson, Hillyer and Rowlandson concerning Item 112.19.

102.19 COMMUNITY SAFETY

No member of the Community Safety team was in attendance. It was reported that there had been a further collision at the A534 cross roads /Sibbersfield Lane.

Resolved: Noted that the Clerk had circulated the May Police Report for Farndon Ward prior to the meeting.

103.19 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

A report from Cllr Roberts had been circulated prior to the meeting. Cllr Roberts advised that he had a Members Budget of £5000 and he would endeavor to use this to the benefit of all Parishes in the ward.

Resolved: Noted

104.19 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Resolved: that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 1st May 2019 were confirmed as a correct record, with the following amendments, and signed by the Chairman.

Proposed by Clir Rowlandson, seconded by Clir Roberts.

Item 84.19:

Planning Working Group is now defunct with Planning applications to be forwarded to all Members as and when received by the Clerk.

Finance Working Group: Cllr Williams to replace Cllr Morris.

105.19 CLERKS REPORT

Resolved: That the report from the Clerk be noted.

WI tree planting request: Resolved: Clerk to ask Barry Fish to raise possibility of a tree being planted at the Memorial Hall. Edward Trevor-Barnston offered to contribute mulch.

106.19 PLANNING

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

Existing applications where decision 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.

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

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

Resolved: Noted.

New applications:

19/01575/FUL 25 Ince Drive, Farndon. Front porch extension.

19/01627/FUL Tully Cottage, Church Lane, Farndon. Loft conversion and addition of 4 new roof lights.

19/01704/FUL 18 Dee Crescent, Farndon. Single storey rear extension.

19/01666/FUL Riverbank, Old Lane, Farndon. Part demolition of existing timber conservatory and reconstruction to form enlarged sun lounge.

Resolved: Noted.

19/01843/FUL Land at Churton Road. Erection of 3 dwellings.

Resolved: Clerk to request an extension to commenting deadline.

Decisions:

None received. **Resolved: Noted.**

Queries:

Ingleside, Churton Road, Farndon. Double garage/flat roofed dormer.

Resolved: Noted that a response from the Planning Dept was still awaited.

107.19 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: Cllr Roberts Seconded: Cllr Jones.

108.19 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE and ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN 2018/19 PART 3

The Clerk tabled the Independent Report from the Internal Auditor.

Resolved: Noted.

Resolved: (i) that the Annual Governance Statement (Section 1) be approved and signed off for auditing purposes.

Followed by:

Resolved: (ii) that the Annual Accounting Statements (Section 2) be approved and signed off for auditing purposes.

Proposed: Cllr Morris Seconded: Cllr Rowlandson

109.19 NEWSLETTER

Noted that the newsletter had been progressed through print and was now out for delivery.

Resolved: Clerk to ask the Scout Group if they would be interested/willing to deliver future newsletters in return for a donation to Group funds.

110.19 CORRESPONDENCE, PUBLICATIONS AND INVITATIONS

Received: correspondence, publications and invitations.

Letter re Christmas Tree Festival: Confirmation of continued sponsorship requested.

Resolved: Clerk to confirm continued sponsorship. Cllr Amphlett to consider decorating the tree this year.

Letter from CWAC Rural Locality Team re speed gun/training.

Resolved: Noted that names of volunteers had been forwarded to CWAC to facilitate training.

Letter from CWAC Rural Locality Team re play space development.

Resolved: Noted that the Clerk had responded.

Letter from OPAL requesting possible grant.

Resolved: Clerk to advise that the Parish Council was not in a position to grant and suggest that contact be made with Borough Cllr Roberts.

111.19 THE GREYHOUND INN

A Village Meeting had been convened by the Parish Council on 13th June at 7.30pm at Farndon Community Club to inform residents of the current position regarding the decision of owners New River Development to sell the pub and the right of the community to bid to buy it following its registration as an Asset of Community Value (ACV) at the Parish Councils request some 3 years ago.

Resolved: Noted.

112.19 FARNDON COMMUNITY CLUB

Malpas Football Club had written outlining planned works to the field/pitches and requesting further consideration be given to discussion of their requirement of a 10-year lease if they were to be able to apply for grant funding. Pitches to be cut by MFC going forward.

Resolved: The Parish Council agreed to donate £500 towards the improvement of the facilities. Proposed: Cllr Rowlandson Seconded: Cllr Hillyer.

Resolved: Clerk to convene a meeting between Parish Council (Cllrs Amphlett, Henderson, Jones and Rowlandson), Barnston Estate and Malpas Football Club to discuss the lease.

Resolved: Parish Council grass cutting contractor be asked to use the time gained as a result of decreased cutting required at FCC as additional to grass cutting at the graveyard. Clerk to ascertain whether current grass cutting contract is adequate to achieve satisfactory maintenance at graveyard.

113.19 MUGA

Nothing further to report.

Resolved: Noted.

114.19 STANDING CONSIDERATION OF HIGHWAY MATTERS

The following highways issues were reported/discussed:

i) Request for litter bins at bus stops.

Resolved: Noted that CWAC had agreed to monitor to assess need but had since advised that criteria had not been met.

ii) Request for litter/dog bins by the river to be monitored.

Resolved: Noted that CWAC had agreed to monitor to assess need but had since advised that criteria had not been met.

iii) Letter from Barnston Mews resident re road resurfacing.

Resolved: Noted that Highways had confirmed that developer Milne were currently in the process of applying for permission to carry out works to the Highway.

iv) Potholes on A534: To be resurfaced June.

Resolved: Noted that most (not all) have been given a temporary fill with a proper resurfacing/repair still awaited.

v) Twychooks bollard: Scheduled for replacement.

Resolved: Noted that bollard had now been replaced.

vi) Pothole still outstanding at entrance to Nightingale Close.

Resolved: Clerk to re report.

115.19 DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING.

Resolved: that the date and time of the next meeting will be Tuesday 2nd JULY 2019 at 7.30pm.