

Farndon Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FARNDON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 7th JANUARY 2020 AT 7.30PM, IN THE MEMORIAL HALL, FARNDON.

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

In attendance: The Clerk, Cllr P Roberts, PCSO R McKevitt and 1 member of the public.

1.20 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr D Finlay and Mr E Trevor Barnston.

2.20 GENERAL PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME

A member of the public raised:

- i) Excess chippings from road resurfacing Shearwater Road/ Churton Road.
Resolved: Clerk to raise with CWAC.
- ii) Bowling club purchases and vat reclaim.
Resolved: To be discussed at next meeting.

3.20 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Nothing declared.

4.20 COMMUNITY SAFETY

Police report circulated prior to meeting. Nothing further to add from PCSO McKevitt.

5.20 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Roberts reported on the following:

Sibbersfield Lane: As previously advised, traffic to be restricted to one-way 6 January 2020 for approximately 24 weeks to allow Severn Trent Water to lay a new mains pipe. Scheduled gas works on High Street and works to Farndon/Holt Bridge temporarily suspended while Sibbersfield works ongoing.

Quarry Hill: Request for grasscrete in some areas to be discussed further at a meeting with CWAC.

Resolved: Noted.

Sibbersfield Lane flooding: still flooding. **Noted:** Clerk had reported to CWAC who had jetted drains.

6.20 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Resolved: that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 3rd December 2019 were confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

Proposed by Cllr Fish, seconded by Cllr Rowlandson.

7.20 CLERKS REPORT

Resolved: That the report from the Clerk be noted.

Further discussed:

Farndon Community Club: Resolved: Cllrs Henderson and Rowlandson to make enquiries re hedge cutting.

Path at Old Lane: Resolved: Clerk to obtain a quote for remedial works.

8.20 PLANNING

The following planning applications/decisions 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). **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.

19/02310/REM OS Field Number 0048 Sibbersfield Lane Farndon Chester Cheshire Erection of 6 dwellings. Reserved matters.

19/02499/FUL Walden Townfield Lane Farndon Replacement of existing holiday chalet.

19/02841/FUL Land adjacent to Cloverly, Churton Road, Farndon. Change of use of land to a natural burial ground with access and ancillary works.

19/03348/FUL Kingslee Worthenbury Road Crewe by Farndon Chester CH3 6PA. Creation of a tennis court and new access road to Wetreins Lane (Retrospective).

New applications:

19/04515/CAT (Tree works in a Conservation Area) Proposal: Sycamore tree - reduce height and thin tree. St Chads Church, Church Lane Farndon Chester CH3 6QD.

Decisions:

Approved:

19/03149/FUL 3 Deva Terrace, High Street, Farndon. Demolition of existing outbuilding and replacement single storey extension to rear.

19/04042/FUL The Old Bakehouse High Street Farndon Chester CH3 6PU Replacement of windows to front of property to match existing.

Refused:

19/01843/FUL Land at Churton Road Farndon Chester Proposal: Erection of 3 dwellings.

Appeals:

Planning Inspector ref: APP/A0665/W/19/3241522 Appeal reference:

19/00099/REF 51-52 High Street, Farndon, Chester, Cheshire, CH3 6PU.

Change of use from shop to one dwelling Application reference:

19/00732/FUL

9.20 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 Rowlandson.

10.20 BUDGET SETTING

Resolved: that the budget (as agreed by the Finance Working Party at a meeting held on 11th December) be approved.

Proposed: Cllr Rowlandson Seconded: Cllr Jones.

11.20 THE GREYHOUND INN

Cllr Finlay provided a short update in absentia: The Action Group had suspended their activities following the acceptance of a bid from a J Brunning by the vendor.

Resolved: Noted. Clerk to liaise with CWAC re returning residual unspent monies from a recently awarded Members Budget Grant.

12.20 VE DAY 75TH ANNIVERSARY 8 MAY 2020

Resolved: Parish Council to look towards co ordinating events for Saturday 9th May. Cllrs to ask as many people possible to pledge involvement and then set up a meeting to progress.

13.20 ANNUAL INSPECTION OF PLAY AREAS

The annual play area inspections had been carried out on 12th September 2019 by Morral Play Services (MPS) and a report forwarded to the Clerk early December.

Resolved: Clerk to speak initially to MPS re works required.

14.20 CORRESPONDENCE, PUBLICATIONS AND INVITATIONS

Received: correspondence, publications and invitations.

i) Letter from Wellington Green resident re dog nuisance.

Resolved: Item to go in Spring Newsletter reminding people to be considerate.

ii) Email from Swallowfields resident re suspicious caller.

Resolved: Noted that PCSO McKeivitt had contacted the resident to advise.

iii) Request for Headstone approval.

Resolved: Approved.

iv) Letter received expressing an interest in tendering for any future landscaping and maintenance works.

Resolved: Noted.

15.20 FARNDON COMMUNITY CLUB

Nothing to report.

Resolved: Noted.

16.20 MUGA

Cllr Henderson reported that the MUGA Committee were due to meet that evening. The light specifications had now been finalised and advice would be sought as to whether planning consent was required.

Resolved: Noted.

17.20 STANDING CONSIDERATION OF HIGHWAY MATTERS

The following highways issues were reported/discussed:

i) Complaint re fly tipping at Crewe By Farndon.

Noted: CWAC had attended and reported to police.

ii) Bench smashed by river.

Resolved: Noted. No immediate replacement to be sought from CWAC as area frequently flooded.

18.20 DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING

Resolved: that the date and time of the next meeting will be Tuesday 4th February 2020 at 7.30pm.