Farndon Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF FARNDON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 3rd MARCH 2020 AT 7.30PM, IN THE MEMORIAL HALL, FARNDON.

Present: Cllr H Williams (Chairman), Cllr M Jones, Cllr P Amphlett, Cllr V Roberts, Cllr J Griffiths, Cllr D Finlay, Cllr F Henderson and Cllr L Morris.

In attendance: The Clerk, PCSO Jon Hurst and 25 members of the public.

38.20 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs. P Fish, J Hillyer, S Rowlandson and Borough Cllr P Roberts.

39.20 GENERAL PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME

Members of the public raised:

i) Access track off Churton Road to fields: Residents expressed concern that the well walked/used track had been blocked off for the first time in known history and were in favour of PROW status being applied for/progressed.

Resolved: Residents were advised that the issue would be discussed by Members later on the agenda.

40.20 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Williams declared an interest in Item 45.20 Planning.

41.20 COMMUNITY SAFETY

PCSO Hurst was in attendance and took the opportunity to speak with youths outside the hall regarding anti-social behaviour. Police report circulated prior to meeting. **Resolved:** Noted.

42.20 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Roberts not in attendance. Report received prior to meeting.

Townfield Lane refuse problem: To be resolved by the end of the month: delay due to a funding issue which had now been settled with Cllr Roberts contributing a third of the cost of the bin station and CWAC the remainder.

Resolved: Noted.

43.20 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING

Resolved: that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 4th February 2020 were confirmed as a correct record subject to the following: Item 20.20: it being noted as requested by a member of the public that the issue was with dog walkers accessing both private roads and driveways and that they did not have an issue with the track itself being walked.

Signed by the Chairman. Proposed by Cllr Jones, seconded by Cllr Morris.

44.20 CLERKS REPORT

Resolved: That the report from the Clerk be noted.

Further discussed: Insurance: Insurer had confirmed legal cover procedure.

Resolved: Noted.

45.20 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). 19/02841/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 (amended plan)Kingslee Worthenbury Road Crewe by Farndon Chester CH3 6PA. Creation of a tennis court and new access road to Wetreins Lane (Retrospective).

20/00351/FUL The Farndon Arms, High Street, Farndon CH3 6PU.Installation of timber pergola, bar hut and garden extension.

19/04500/FUL Land at Marsh Lane Kings Marsh Chester Demolish existing buildings and replace with stable block, workshop/hay store and riding arena and change the use of the land from agricultural to equestrian.

20/00337/FUL 23 Dee Crescent, Farndon CH3 6QJ. Replacement dwelling and detached garage.

New applications:

20/00519/FUL Land at Churton Road Farndon Chester Erection of detached dwelling.

Decisions:

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

Approved: 19/04576/FUL The Lodge Townfield Lane Farndon Chester CH3 6QW Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of replacement dwelling and carport/garage.

Appeal dismissed: APP/A0665/W/19/3241522: Appeal reference: 19/00099/REF 51-52 High Street, Farndon, Chester. Change of use from shop to one dwelling. Application reference: 19/00732/FUL.

46.20 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 Jones Seconded: Cllr Roberts.

47.20 TRACK OFF CHURTON ROAD

Cllr Williams gave a short resume of the issue to date and requested members reconfirm or otherwise the intention to continue with an application for PROW status for the track.

Resolved: As there was clear evidence of use much in excess of 20 years the Parish Council should support the majority and progress the application. Further resolved that the Clerk should write to the residents of Ingleside requesting the removal of the gates, fence, skip, camera and sign within 14 days of writing. This request to be followed up on a regular basis.

48.20 SPEED GUN

Cllr Finlay updated: To be deployed in immediate few weeks. Further volunteers required. Advice to be sought from CWAC as to whether gun could be deployed in both directions.

Resolved: Noted.

49.20 VE DAY 75TH ANNIVERSARY 8 MAY 2020

Cllr Williams updated: Plans ongoing and would be publicised in due course.

Resolved: Noted.

50.20 SPRING NEWSLETTER

Resolved: Content from individual Members to be submitted to Cllr Henderson by 10th March to then be compiled by 17 March ready for print. To be delivered immediately after Easter.

51.20 NOTICEBOARD

In need of repair/maintenance.

Resolved: Clerk to source quote for works.

52.20 PARISH COUNCIL ANNUAL DINNER

To be held Wednesday 1st April.

Resolved: To be held at Little Churtons. Cllr Williams to circulate menu choice.

53.20 CORRESPONDENCE, PUBLICATIONS AND INVITATIONS

Received: correspondence, publications and invitations.

- i) Request from Farndon Memorial Hall Committee for enhanced Annual grant. **Resolved:** 2020/2021 budget already agreed: to reconsider at 2021/2022 budget setting. To suggest to the WMHC that a Cinema Club might be a good fundraiser.
- ii) TR04913 Sibbersfield Lane Amended Notice. **Resolved:** Noted.
- iii) Letter from Shearwater Road resident re obstruction at track off Churton Road. **Resolved:** Noted.
- iv) Correspondence re Xmas tree festival/tree lighting up date. **Resolved:**November too early for village Christmas tree light up. Cllr Henderson to ask school if they would consider carols around the tree instead of the usual band booking. The alternative would be to consider no formal light up following poor year on year attendance by residents.
- v) Letter from Ingleside resident re track access. **Resolved:** Noted.
- vi) Letter from resident re parking around school. **Resolved:** PCSO to attend when available.

54.20 FARNDON COMMUNITY CLUB

Rugby to be screened if played. **Resolved:** Noted.

55.20 MUGA

Grant application made to Sport England but no feedback as yet.

Resolved: Noted.

56.20 STANDING CONSIDERATION OF HIGHWAY MATTERS

The following highways issues were reported/discussed:

- i) Churton Road: Pothole reported in gutter between Monument Place and Stannage Lane. **Noted:** Clerk had reported.
- ii) Tractor damage to road edges and verges: **Resolved:** Noted.
- iii) CWAC Fault Reporting: **Resolved**: Cllr Henderson to refer to in newsletter encouraging residents to go online and report.

57.20 DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING

Resolved: that the date and time of the next meeting will be Tuesday 7TH APRIL 2020 at 7.30pm. This will be preceded by the Annual Parish meeting at 7.00pm.