

Farndon Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE JANUARY MEETING (PART 1) OF FARNDON PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON TUESDAY 5th JANUARY 2021 AT 7.30PM, VIRTUAL ZOOM MEETING DURING COVID 19 PANDEMIC.

Present: Cllrs P Fish, S Rowlandson, P Amphlett, D Finlay, F Henderson, J Hillyer, M Jones, V Roberts, H Williams.

In attendance: Ward Cllr P Roberts, C Taylor (Clerk) and 1 member of the public.

1.21. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs J Griffiths and L Morris.

Resolved: that the apologies be noted. The Council voted unanimously to approve the ongoing and extended absence of Cllr J Griffiths for this and the February and March meetings.

2.21 GENERAL PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME.

Ed Barnston raised the following:

- i) Village Christmas Trees: Ed was happy for the contractor to remove the Village tree along with the smaller street trees.

3.21 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST.

No declarations of interest were made.

4.21 COMMUNITY SAFETY.

Monthly report from Police previously circulated to all Cllrs.

Resolved: Noted.

5.21 BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORT.

Monthly report from Cllr P Roberts previously circulated to all Cllrs.

Resolved: Noted.

Further discussed:

- i) Confirmation of the roll out of the Covid 19 vaccination programme locally.

Resolved: Noted.

- ii) PROW (Churton Road) application: Nothing further to report other than CWAC were looking to prioritise extra resources. **Resolved:** Cllr Roberts to chase progress. Clerk to forward a formal complaint to the Chief Executive

of CWAC regarding lack of progress and to the Local Government Ombudsman if no progress to report at February meeting.

iii) Verges on Quarry Hill: Cllr Roberts was waiting for a further quote for alternative materials that met CWAC criteria but was optimistic that the cost could be met from his Members Budget.

Resolved: Noted.

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6.21 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING.

Resolved: that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 1st December 2020 be confirmed as a true record.

Proposed: Cllr S Rowlandson **Seconded:** Cllr H Williams.

7.21 CLERK'S REPORT.

Resolved: that the clerk's report in entirety be noted and approved.

Proposed: Cllr P Fish **Seconded:** Cllr P Amphlett.

Discussed further:

i) Defibrillator gifted by Taylor Wimpey: Jeffs Hair Salon, while now closed due to Covid regulations, had indicated that they would be happy to site the defibrillator outside the salon and act as custodian pending the sale/purchase of the building.

Resolved: Parish Council to budget for a heated cabinet, consumables and installation of this additional defibrillator.

Members voted in the majority to purchase an unlocked cabinet and to obtain a quote for a replacement unlocked door to replace the locked one outside the pharmacy. Jeff was to speak with Graham Rigby at the pharmacy re what was entailed in committing to act as custodian of the defibrillator and revert to the PC.

ii) Overgrown hedge at Avondale:

Resolved: Recent progress to be checked for and report to CWAC if action has not been taken.

iii) Platinum Jubilee Celebration: **Resolved:** Defer to future meeting.

8.21 PLANNING.

Planning applications/decisions received by the Parish Council since/outstanding from the last meeting:

Noted:

Existing applications where decision still awaited:

17/04616/FUL Land rear of Del Rio and Rivercrest Townfield Lane Farndon Chester Construction of greenhouse (proposed) and fish food store, open barn and fish holding tanks (in retrospect).

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

20/02962/FUL 2 Nightingale Close Farndon Single storey front extension, to include rendering and replacement tiles to side.

20/02999/FUL Farndon Sports and Social Club Sibbersfield Lane Farndon Installation and use of replacement floodlights and fencing.

New applications:

20/03952/FUL Land at Crewe Hill Crewe Hill Lane Crewe by Farndon. Installation of a ground source heat pump (part retrospective).

20/04340/LDC Kingslee Worthenbury Road Crewe by Farndon CH3 6PA. To confirm the extent of the residential curtilage.

Decisions:

None.

9.21 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.

Hard paper copy to be forwarded to Cllrs Jones and Roberts for verification and signature.

Proposed: Cllr M Jones **Seconded:** Cllr V Roberts.

10.21 CORRESPONDENCE.

To receive correspondence, publications and invitations and agree action and attendees.

- i) Noted: Letter of thanks received from Holt Brownies for donation.
- ii) Noted: Concern raised by a resident regarding a road safety incident at Farndon school. **Resolved:** No further action at this point as the resident had not gone on to provide the details of the incident as requested nor attended this meeting as anticipated to discuss further.
- iii) Noted: CWAC: Covid advisory received regarding a first testing pilot scheme starting wef 16 December for people without symptoms.

11.21 FARNDON COMMUNITY CLUB.

- i) To receive any update on grant applications:

Heating system: Following the approval of the Climate Emergency Fund application (4K) a feasibility report determining a suitable heating system for the Club and quotations were awaited which would then be forwarded to CWAC for approval to commence the works.

Showers: No quotations had as yet been sourced for the showers.

CCTV: The original funding stream identified was not suitable but an alternative suggested by the police was being explored and the application was being progressed.

Supreme Court: Covid Business Interruption Insurance. Currently being explored but unlikely to qualify.

Resolved: Noted.

12.21 MUGA.

The planning application was still pending (re lighting and fencing).

Resolved: Cllr P Roberts to speak to CWAC Planning to ascertain why a noise study was now being requested.

13.21 STANDING CONSIDERATION OF HIGHWAY MATTERS.

i) The poor state of the road at Crewe Hill Lane was raised and a request made by Ed Barnston that the lane be considered for private adoption if CWAC will not repair it.

Resolved: Cllr P Roberts to explore and report.

ii) Sandstone wall by public toilets was noted as having been reported to CWAC for repair. The Network Steward had attended and removed the obstruction on the pavement to a safer place pending restoration.

Resolved: Noted.

iii) Bridge memorial: Members raised the removal of the last few remaining items from the bridge as most items had already been recently removed. The Chair had spoken to a young couple who were removing the items and thanked them for doing it. The couple had said that they were friends of the family, and had asked the family, who had agreed to them removing the items as everything was now looking so sad. They were keeping messages and other items safe for the family.

Resolved: All Members agreed the removal of the few items remaining and to keep, as above, any messages / other items for the family if they wanted them.

iv) Potholes on A534: It was noted that potholes had reappeared and had been reported to CWAC Highways.

Resolved: Monitor progress with repair.

14.21 DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING.

Resolved: that the date and time of the next meeting will be on Tuesday 2nd February 2021 at 7.30pm. This will be a virtual meeting due to current Covid 19 restrictions.