

**MINUTES OF THE FARNDON ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 4th
APRIL 2023 AT 7.00PM, IN THE MEMORIAL HALL, FARNDON.**

Present: Cllr F Henderson (Chair), Cllr L Morris (Vice Chair), Cllr S Rowlandson, Cllr M Rudd, Cllr P Amphlett, Cllr M Jones, Cllr V Roberts, Cllr H Williams, Cllr P Fish.

Also in attendance: Clerk and 3 members of the public.

Apologies: Cllr J Hillyer, Cllr D Finlay, Cllr P Roberts.

49.23 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT.

The Chairman read the report to Councillors.

"Good evening and welcome to the Annual PC Meeting.

The year has been reasonably quiet –

The PROW application has not yet been resolved but hopefully we are near a decision, and hopefully the right decision.

The Planning Sub Committee continue to do a sterling job and highlight any contentious applications – thank you to them all.

We have had an interesting archaeological dig with the hope of more in the future so we might see Farndon on The Time Team yet.

The footpath behind the memorial garden is being looked at with hope of it reopening again soon.

The NDP has undergone a review and as there has been no legislative changes and the plan still accurately reflects the views of the residents it has been agreed that no alterations are required at this stage. Special thanks to the NDP team Gillian Moroney and Gerry Simpson and also Farndon Parish Councillors Hilary Williams and Fiona Henderson.

Hopefully we are a step closer to being resilient with the plan currently being with CWAC for a once over.

Dog fouling round the village continues to be a problem as do potholes and parking and we continue to address those concerns with CWAC.

Thanks to our sub committee the remembrance garden continues to look better and better and is a lovely spot to visit and have a quieter moment.

Thank you to all that group for your efforts.

Id like to thank Cllr Paul Roberts for his support in getting things done and financially from his members budget and the neighbourhood pride grant. This has allowed us to tidy the area round the toilets – the weeds are back but our gardener Paul is onto it and will have it back to looking good again soon. We have also had new village gates installed which look great and have had many a compliment, as does the cleaned-up stone at the Old School Close. A big thank you to our Clerk, Claire, who continues to keep us on the straight and narrow and a personal thanks to Cllr Les Morris for her help and support as vice chair.

Unfortunately, in what is an election year, we are sadly saying goodbye to 3 of our current Councillors, Margot Jones, John Hillyer and Les Morris, and we thank them for their service and help over the years but I am sure we will still see them doing their bit to support local businesses like The Hare and The Raven."

Resolved: Thanks were extended to Cllr Henderson for her term in office.

50.23 OPEN FORUM

Two members of the public attended but did not wish to raise anything.

The meeting finished at 7.30 pm and was followed by the April Parish Council meeting.