

Minutes of the Meeting of Farndon Parish Council held on Monday, 28th February 2022 at 6.30pm in the Parish Room, Memorial Hall, Marsh Lane, Farndon

Present: **Councillor M Baker, in the Chair**
 Councillor Duckmanton
 Councillor Parker
 Councillor Teixeira-Gomes

Also present: Stephen Swanwick (FREG)

FPC21-110 Apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Councillors Mrs Bayne, Mrs Kingston, District Councillor Walker and County Councillor Mrs Saddington.

FPC21-111 Nottinghamshire Police

The Chair suspended Standing Orders at 6.32pm and introduced the Beat Manager for the village, PC Emma Weatherhill, who had taken over from PC Harry Shaw.

PC Weatherhill advised that there had been minor criminal damage to vehicles reported in the village recently, with leads being followed up. Incidents of fly tipping on Thorpe Lane had been reported. PC Weatherhill and PCSO Munro had been monitoring anti-social behaviour at the Riverside.

Councillor Parker referred to a recent incident involving a catapult, that a resident had reported through 101. PC Weatherhill would follow up with the resident direct.

The Chair referred to a meeting that was being convened regarding behaviour around the bus shelter on Main Street.

The Chair thanked PC Weatherhill for her attendance and reconvened the meeting at 6.50pm.

FPC21-112 **Public 10 Minute Session**

The Chair suspended the meeting at 6.51pm to allow for questions from the public.

A resident questioned whether reducing the size of the seating available in the bus shelter would discourage people from gathering in it. It was AGREED that the Chair raise this at the meeting.

There being no further questions the Chair reconvened the meeting at 6.53pm.

FPC21-113 Declarations of Interest

Any declarations of interest would be stated by Members as required during the meeting.

FPC21-114 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting – 13th January 2022

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13th January 2022 were accepted as a true and correct record and signed by the Chair.

FPC21-115 **County Councillor Session**

No report was presented as County Councillor Mrs Saddington had given her apologies.

(a) To note the consultation on the Draft Nottinghamshire and Nottingham Waste Local Plan

Members noted the consultation,

FPC21-116 **District Councillor Session**

No report was presented as District Councillor Walker had given his apologies.

(a) To note the adoption of the Open Space Assessment & Strategy

Members noted adoption of the above into policy.

(b) To consider the consultation on the Draft Criteria for Identifying Non-Designated Heritage Assets

Members noted the consultation currently being undertaken by Newark & Sherwood District Council. The Council were seeking a way of protecting those assets that weren't covered by any other means, i.e, in a Conservation Area or with Listed status.

FPC21-117 **Farndon Residents Environment Group.**

The Clerk referred to a recent post on the FREG Public Forum seeking assistance, particularly with regard to the Christmas tree initiative.

After discussion, Mr Swanwick was asked to feedback to the Chair that if assistance was required from the Parish Council, an outline of support required should be sent to the Clerk.

Mr Swanwick advised that 88 fruiting shrubs had been planted in Farndon Park recently.

(a) January & February Meetings

Members noted the minutes of the January & February Meetings.

FPC21-118 **Parish Council Matters**

(a) Announcement of A46 Bypass Preferred Route

National Highways had released details of the preferred route for the A46 Bypass, which saw a flyover at the Cattle Market Roundabout, and traffic lights at the Farndon roundabout to control traffic at busy times. Public consultation would now take place.

- (b) To consider and agree commemorations for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee – June 2022
The Clerk referred to the meeting held with representatives from village organisations and residents to plan for the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. A copy of the notes had been circulated to Members for information.

A further meeting was scheduled to take place on Tuesday, 1st March to confirm arrangements and delegate organisation tasks.

- (c) To note the roadworks bulletin for Fosse Road, Farndon, near Old Hall Close – 2nd March to 3rd March 2022 – Two-Way Temporary Traffic Signals
Members noted correspondence received from Via East Midlands regarding two-way temporary traffic signals on Fosse Road for tree works.

- (d) To note the Boundary Commission for England – 2023 Parliamentary Boundary Constituency Review
Members noted information regarding the 2023 Parliamentary Boundary Constituency Review. There were no specific implications for Farndon.

FPC21-119 Update Reports from Chairs

- (a) Chairman's Report
Defibrillator

The Chair referred to a request made by the management of the Farndon Focus for the Parish Council to take over financial responsibility for the defibrillator located at the Memorial Hall.

After discussion, this was AGREED.

Memorial Bench

The Chair referred to an Oak tree that was planted in memory of Councillor Gafney, which had unfortunately failed. A request had been received from his widow to site a memorial bench in the meadow instead.

After discussion, this was AGREED this be progressed in liaison with the Clerk.

Parish Clerks

The Chair referred to the number of vacancies for Clerks in the County.

- (b) Planning
Links to the applications on the District Council's planning portal had been forwarded to Members prior to the meeting.

Applications

22/00301/FUL – Land at Orston House, Fosse Road, Farndon - Erection of Garage
After consideration, it was AGREED that the application be supported.

22/00271/HOUSE – 136 Marsh Lane, Farndon - Proposed 2 storey extension

Members noted that this was a further submission, and that the applicant appeared to be trying hard to submit a scheme that did not impact detrimentally on neighbouring properties.

After consideration, it was AGREED that the application be supported.

21/02417/FUL – The Maltings, Old Hall Farm, Old Hall Close, Farndon - Proposed First Floor Extension and Conversion of Existing Garage Building to form Ancillary Residential Accommodation to Principal Dwelling House.

Members noted the comments submitted by the Conservation Officer. After discussion, it was AGREED to raise no objection.

Decision Notice

21/02207/HOUSE & 21/02208/LBC– The Granary, 5 Grays Court, Farndon - Single storey rear extension and window alterations

Members received and noted the decision notice granting permission for the development as outlined.

21/02411/HOUSE – 26 North End, Farndon – Erection of Garden Shed/Storage

Members received and noted the decision notice granting permission for the development as outlined.

21/02494/HOUSE – 24 Village Close, Farndon – Proposed Extension

Members received and noted the decision notice granting permission for the development as outlined.

21/02534/HOUSE – 19 School Lane, Farndon - Proposed ground front, side and rear extension

Members received and noted the decision notice granting permission for the development as outlined.

Tree Works

22/00124/TWCA – St Peter’s Churchyard, Church Street, Farndon - G4 Lime - Re-pollard to previous pruning points. Dead branch to T3 to be removed

Members noted that the application to undertake the works had been submitted to Newark & Sherwood District Council by the Parish Council. A decision was awaited.

(c)

General Purposes

Land situated between Main Street and School Lane, Farndon

The Clerk referred to correspondence received from the Senior Conservation Officer with Newark & Sherwood District Council which outlined the historical significance and importance of the land situated between Main Street and School Lane.

(d) Playing Field

Dog Control Order

The Clerk referred to an error relating to the dog control order for the playing field. This was in the progress of being addressed with Newark & Sherwood District Council.

Farndon Cricket Club

The Clerk referred to the current position with the granting of planning permission for the new cricket pavilion and the conversation that had been held with the Planning Officer before the Parish Council had given consent for the trees to be removed.

The Clerk referred to correspondence received from the Council's solicitors relating to the draft lease. The site plan submitted with the draft was not correct and agreement was sought from Members on the plan that needed to be included. After discussion, a plan was AGREED.

Members also asked that a clause be included in the lease that allowed for the Parish Council to have use of the car park.

The draft lease to be circulated to Members for information and comment.

(e) Cemetery

There were no matters to address.

(f) Ponds & Riverside

Update on the progress with the resurfacing of the Riverside Car Park

The Clerk confirmed that a site meeting had been held with an Officer from Nottinghamshire County Council regarding the resurfacing. A couple of queries had been raised around ownership, with the Clerk providing copies of title plans for the area. A response was awaited.

Picnic Area

Councillor Duckmanton commented on the bark path that had been put in by the contractors when the willows had been pollarded. It had withstood the recent flooding well.

The Clerk advised that chippings would be used whenever and wherever possible.

FPC21-120 Financial Matters

(a) To consider accounts for payments in accordance with the circulated scheduled

Members noted the circulated schedules detailing accounts for payment.

(b) To note any receipts in accordance with the circulated schedule

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- (c) To note the Council's financial position as at 31st January 2022
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FPC21-121 Notts Association of Local Councils

- (a) To note the Section 137 Level set for 2022/23
Members noted the Section 137 level for the 2022/23 financial year had been set at £8.82 per elector.
- (b) To note information on the New LGA Code of Conduct
Members noted information received regarding the new LGA Code of Conduct. Newark & Sherwood District Council had adopted the code and would be arranging training at some point for Parish Council's.

FPC21-122 Correspondence

- (a) There were no items to raise.

FPC21-123 Items for Notification

Flood Road Closure Signs – Chapel Lane

Councillor Teixeira-Gomes advised that during the recent flooding it had been necessary to close Chapel Lane. However, the signs had been placed further down the road, rather than the top of it, which had led to vehicles having to turn around in residents driveways.

The Clerk to contact the Co-Ordination team at Via East Midlands to ask that the siting of the road closure notices be reviewed to alleviate this nuisance for residents of Chapel Lane.

Land at North End

Councillor Parker referred to the condition of the area of land adjacent to the new development on the garage meadows.

It was AGREED that the Clerk go and inspect with the Sexton.

Flood Attenuation Scheme – Hawton Lane

Councillor Parker asked that the Clerk investigate with Planning Enforcement the land on Hawton Lane that was considered to be part of the flood attenuation scheme for Garrood Close.

FPC21-124 Date of Next Meeting

Monday, 28th March 2022

FPC21-125 Exclusion of the Press and Public
Financial Matters

This report contains information relating to the financial or business affairs of a particular person (including the authority holding that information) which is a category

of a category of information found in other Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 1 (2) of 1960 1 (2) which the Commission has to exercise to exercise its discretion if it so wishes.

RECOMMENDED that under Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 1 (2), the ~~RECOMMENDED~~ that excluded Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 1 (2) of this process on the public interest that involves the need to disclose information of a nature as defined in the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 1 (2) of the Act and that also defined in the Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 1 (2) of the Act in disclosing the information, the public interest in maintaining the exemption outweighs the public interest in disclosing the information.

Exempt Minute FPC19-113

Exempt Minute FPC21-126