

# Farnham Parish Council

## **DRAFT** Minutes of the Farnham Parish Council Meeting

held in the Museum Inn on

**Monday 7<sup>th</sup> August 2017 at 7:30pm**

**Present:** Chair Penny Everard (PE), Vice Chair Gail Sadd (GS), Cllr Roy Bartlett (RB), Cllr Piers Brown (NDDC), Cllr Tracey Hartles (TH), Cllr Roy Vincent (RV) and Parish Clerk Sara-Jane Newenham (SJN)

**In Attendance:** John Benjafield (JB- resident) James Clements (JC - resident).

**Public Questions:** JB shared his concerns regarding the planning application for 'Franklyns'. JC expressed his concerned about parking for events held at the Museum Inn and also asked work could be done on the trees in The Avenue as they are creating a dark and dense canopy.

**17/08/01 Apologies:** Cllr Ned Miller (NM),

**17/08/02 Declarations of interest & requests for Dispensation:** None

**17/08/03 Minutes of meeting held 12<sup>th</sup> June 2017:** Signed by PE; proposed by GS and seconded by RV.

**17/08/04 To consider any matters arising:**

- Thank you to GS for painting the legs of the Millennium bench
- Steam Fair tickets: only 15 people have applied and it was agreed everyone on the list will be given two tickets
- Trees in The Avenue ongoing Action: PE to contact Tree Officer.
- Bollards: Museum Cottage, awaiting report from NM

**17/08/05 'Working Together'**- Rolly Skeats from Dorset Highways was again unable to attend. Action: PE to re-schedule for the next meeting.

**17/08/06 Finance/bills paid on schedule:** SJN went through recent expenditure as listed on the agenda and requested approval for the following cheques to be issued:

Travel Expenses for PE (transparency code drop in session)	£22.95
Playground Rent	£50.00
Langers & Son, grass cutting.	£95.00
DAPTC annual Subscription	£93.98

All payments were authorised by FPC. Nominated by PE and Seconded by TH

- 17/08/07**     **Playground:** The owner is in the process of getting the land valued. He has already had FPC valuation and a decision will be made regarding the possible purchase of the land by FPC or if not to draw up a new lease. Ongoing.
  
- 17/08/08**     **Footpaths:** GS reported no concerns.
  
- 17/08/09**     **Telephone Box:** SJN explained that the sale of the telephone kiosk has now been completed and FPC is now the legal owner. GS suggested a telephone working group to discuss how the kiosk can benefit the village. PE thanked SJN for her work in securing the purchase of the kiosk. Action: GS to organise the working group and she will report back at the next meeting.
  
- 17/08/10**     **Letter Box:** Despite numerous correspondences with the Royal mail, they have refused to move the village post box; therefore reluctantly we will not pursue this any further.
  
- 17/08/11**     **PE report on Drop-in Session on Transparency Code for Smaller Authorities:**  
PE attended this meeting and she explained that there is money available to assist Parish Councils further in setting up for the Transparency Code. SJN would like to undergo further training to develop her website design and application skills. We can also claim additional money for a scanner and for work carried out by SJN.  
  
FPC discussed this and it was approved. Action: SJN to contact Parish Council Websites to check costing and availability for training. PE and SJN to complete the grant application form. Proposed by GS seconded by TH
  
- 17/08/12**     **Planning Application ‘Franklins’ High Street:** FPC discussed this application at length.  
  
FPC voted: unanimous decision to object

The next meeting will be held on **Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2017**

There being no further business the meeting ended at 9:15pm.

Signed.....

Chairman

Date.....