

Farnham Parish Council

DRAFT Minutes of the Farnham Parish Council Meeting

held in the Museum Inn on

Monday 13th February 2016 at 7:30pm

Present: Chair Penny Everard (PE), Vice Chair Gail Sadd (GS), Cllr Roy Bartlett (RB), Cllr Tracey Hartles (TH), Cllr Ned Miller (NM), and Parish Clerk Sara-Jane Newenham (SJN)

In Attendance: Cllr Deborah Croney (DCC/NDDC).

Public Questions: None, as no members of the public were present.

17/02/01 Apologies for absence: : Cllr Vicky Forbes (VF) Cllr Roy Vincent (PV) Piers Brown

17/02/02 Declarations of Interest & Requests for Dispensation: None

17/02/03 Minutes of Meeting held on the 3rd October 2016: signed by Chair PE, proposed by GS and seconded by TH.

17/02/04 To consider any matters arising from the minutes:

-telephone box: SJN had been informed by NDCC that we do not need planning permission for change of use. Action SJN to advise BT.

-no objection to the latest tree works application at 'The Beeches'; 'Elham House's appeal has been part allowed

-GS reported she had contacted Royal Mail about moving the box but they are not willing to move it to a more convenient location. It was suggested that the owner of the land where it is currently situated write to Royal Mail requesting that it be moved. Action: GS will write again to the Royal Mail to reiterate the problems with the current location.

17/02/05 Playground: PE had emailed Jon Jones as agreed by councillors to see if he would consider selling the land to the P.C. He replied that to ensure it remained a playground he would consider this option but would do some research in terms of land evaluation. Ongoing. A tree root has been identified as a potential trip hazard in the playground. Action: RB will speak to MU (tree surgeon) about cutting the tree root.

17/02/06 Millennium seat and walnut tree: FPC discussed the need for the seat to be refurbished, if it is worth saving and the tree to be removed as it is struggling. Previous trees planted in the same spot suffered from Honey Fungus. Action: RB to oversee this matter

17/02/07 Protection of the village green: FPC discussed the frequent damage to the grass, caused by delivery lorries and cars. Action: NM to contact Radley Construction for a quote to install six bollards to protect the corner of the green.

17/02/08 Highways: A resident expressed his concern regarding the High Street which was very slippery after a heavy frost. NM will grit the road on behalf of the P.C. if we have a prolonged spell of bad weather with snow. NM added the road that runs through Newtown is of greater concern as it carries a great deal of traffic, but it is not on the NDCC gritting route as it is classified as a D road.

17/02/09 Confirm risk assessments: Both the financial risk assessment and the risk management assessment were approved, with a few amendments made to the risk management plan. Proposed NM, seconded TH.

17/02/010 Review council assets: FPC approved the asset list prepared for the forthcoming internal audit.

17/02/011 Review council insurance policy: FPC approved

17/02/012 Review finance regulations: FPC agreed to continue to follow NALC Financial regulations

17/02/013 To consider any other matters arising from recent correspondence: E-mail from Henry Peterson offering his help if we ever reconsider undertaking a neighbourhood plan.

FPC has agreed to purchase for bin bags for the village 'Big Tidy Up' 3rd - 5th March 2017.

The next meeting will be **Monday 3rd April 2017 15th 7:30pm**

Advance notice: 15th May 2017 AGM at 7pm, followed by the Open Meeting for the parish at 7:45pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8:40pm.

Signed.....

Chairman.....

Date.....