

Farnham Parish Council

DRAFT Minutes of the Farnham Parish Council Meeting

held in the Museum Inn on

Monday 2nd October 2017 at 7:30pm

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

In Attendance: Phyllis Watt, Rolly Skeats, no members of the public were present

Public Questions: None

17/10/01 Apologies: Cllr Tracey Hartles (TH), Cllr Piers Brown (NDDC)

17/10/02 Declarations of interest & requests for Dispensation: None

17/10/03 Minutes of meeting held 7th August 2017: Signed by PE; proposed by GS and seconded by RB.

17/10/04 To consider any matters arising:

- The trees in the Avenue on going.
- Orange bollards –Museum Cottage NM ongoing.
- Bollards protecting the green need planning permission albeit retrospectively. Action PE
- ‘Frankyns’ planning permission has been granted but restrictions have been placed on the summer house.

17/10/05 Phyllis Watt – POPP- Help/Partnership for Older People Programme’
PW is the local Wayfinder for this area and she spoke about her role. Popp is a free information service which provides a wide range of help and advice to anyone over 18. Areas of support and advice are wide-ranging and have included: help with benefit entitlement, transport, social clubs, help with funding for starting up local clubs etc. Action: PE will display poster on the FPC notice board and SJN will add details to the website; further information to follow from PW for inclusion in the parish magazine.

17/10/06 Rolly Skeats ‘Working Together’ RS explained the new initiative from Dorset highways. Unfortunately budgets have been reduced and as a consequence some services have now been withdrawn such as gully emptying, sign cleaning etc. He discussed possible ways for the village to manage maintenance of village roads etc. from using volunteers to commissioning Dorset Highways or another company. For any concerns regarding highways RS suggested that the first point of contact to report problems should be to: dorsetforyou.

17/10/07 Parking at the Museum Inn This was discussed and RS suggested that a short white line could be painted on the road in front of the drives of the three

cottages affected, but FPC and RS felt that this would not necessarily solve the problem and would spoil the appearance of our attractive village.

17/10/08 Finance/bills paid on schedule: SJN went through recent expenditure:

Travel Expenses for PE (transparency code drop in session)	£ 22.95
DAPTC – Annual subscription	£ 93.98
Langers & Son, grass cutting	£ 95.00
Parish Council Website	£ 120.00
Langers & Son, grass cutting.	£ 125.00
Playground Rent	£ 50.00

One cheque waiting to be presented Telephone kiosk refurbishment £ 93.92

All payments were authorised by FPC. Nominated by Nm and Seconded by VF

SJN presented to the councillors the half-yearly spend report. This was authorised by FPC Nominated by GS and seconded by RB.

SJN reported the FPC external audit for the year ended 31st March 2017 has now been successfully completed by BDO. The annual return and certificate were approved by FPC. Nominated by NM and seconded by VF. The annual return and notice of the conclusion of Audit now needs to be posted on the FPC notice board and on the website asp for 14 days. BDO will no longer be responsible for auditing FPC.

17/10/09 Playground RB reported no new concerns but exposed tree root is ongoing.

17/10/10 Footpaths GS reported no concerns

17/10/10 Telephone Box GS reported the complete frame of the door has been refurbished. A great deal of effort and hard work has been done and FPC extended their thanks to all involved especially GS, RB and Ed Sadd.

17/10/11 To consider any matters arising from recent correspondence

- PE to follow up request to clear ditch in the centre of the village. Action PE to contact Eric Parker from Rushmore
- PE to attend divisional meeting on 6th October at Durweston.

The next meeting will be held on **Monday 4th December 2017**

There being no further business the meeting ended at

Signed..... Chairman

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