

FARTHINGHOE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting

Held on Wednesday 11 September 2024 at 7.00pm at The Village Hall

Councillors present

Cllr Mick Morris (Chair) (MM)
 Cllr Barry Willett (BW)
 Cllr Trevor Jarvis (TJ)
 Cllr John Grant (JG)
 Cllr Wendy Hancock (WH)
 Cllr James Harrison (JH)
 Cllr Sophie Nobes (SN)
 Mr David Weston (Clerk) (DW)



Apologies:

ITEM		ACTION
09/24/508	To receive and approve apologies for absence. None received	
09/24/509	To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda. (Members should disclose any interests in the business to be transacted and are reminded that the disclosure of a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest will require that the member withdraws from the meeting room during the transaction of that item of business.) None declared	
09/24/510	Public participation session (members of the public are invited to address the council. The session will last for a maximum of 15 minutes with any individual contribution lasting a maximum of 3 minutes. Members of the public should address their representations through the chairman of the meeting). No parishioners were present	
09/24/511	To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on 10 July 2024 Cllr Grant asked that the minutes from June 2024 should be further amended to reflect more accurately the decision taken at that meeting. It was resolved they would be and circulated. It was further resolved that the budget should be amended accordingly to reflect the increase in salary costs and the shortfall transferred from contingency. They will be signed by the Chairman and adopted as approved once all amendments are made.	DW/MM
09/24/512	To Consider any matters arising not covered in the main agenda. There were no matters arising	
09/24/513	To review any correspondence received since 7 July 2024 requiring action. It was resolved to approve a donation of £100 to Daventry and South Northants Homestart.	
09/24/514	No councillors present, no report received.	

09/24/515	<p>WNC Councillors Updates</p> <p>Parish councillors have attended the Brackley Local Transport Plan (LTP) workshop. WNC appear to be planning to remove the Bypass from the LTP and pursuing the Traffic lights Mitigation solution instead. If approved, the traffic lights are likely to be in place for 10-15 years. It has suggested that we organise a petition for residents to sign opposing these LTP intentions, and for councillors to attend a full WNC council meeting to speak reiterating our opposition. It was resolved to that all councillors would respond to the plan as individuals and send a copy to Cllr Morris to formulate a parish council response. Sarah Bool MP is meeting Cllrs Grant and Morris on 27 September 10.30hrs for introductory discussions concerning the LTP. In particular she will be asked to find out why our Weight Restriction report is so delayed and why we do not receive the courtesy of replies to our emails concerning this report delay</p>	<p>All</p> <p>MM/JG</p>																				
09/24/516	<p>To consider financial matters from the RFO:</p> <p>516/1 To receive the financial report for August 2024 It was resolved that the financial report for August 2024 was presented and was duly approved.</p> <p>516/2 To approve bills for payment It was resolved to pay the following bills:</p> <table border="0"> <tr> <td>Confidential Expenses (August)</td> <td>£322.69</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HMRC (August)</td> <td>£74.20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Confidential Expenses (September)</td> <td>£322.69</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HMRC (September)</td> <td>£74.20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Clerk (reimbursement bollards)</td> <td>£107.96</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Clerk (reimbursement anti-virus)</td> <td>£59.99</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Jon Hampson (inv 05)</td> <td>£140.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Jon Hampson (inv 06)</td> <td>£140.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Sharon Edwards (Chron advert refund)</td> <td>£10.00</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Texprep</td> <td>£80.90</td> </tr> </table>	Confidential Expenses (August)	£322.69	HMRC (August)	£74.20	Confidential Expenses (September)	£322.69	HMRC (September)	£74.20	Clerk (reimbursement bollards)	£107.96	Clerk (reimbursement anti-virus)	£59.99	Jon Hampson (inv 05)	£140.00	Jon Hampson (inv 06)	£140.00	Sharon Edwards (Chron advert refund)	£10.00	Texprep	£80.90	<p>DW</p>
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09/24/517	<p>Communication with Parishioners and Website</p> <p>Cllr Hancock presented a draft version of the website. There are a number of small changes being worked through, other village organisations including the school and the church diary sites will be linked.</p> <p>Cllr Grant asked that formal exchanges between the parish council and WNC are included as well.</p> <p>A number of photographs from the drone were shown and it was resolved that some of these would feature on the website.</p> <p>The clerk is to send Cllr Harrison the domain hosting details. Cllr Hancock to preprepare a piece for the next Chronicle</p>	<p>WH/JH/SN</p> <p>DW</p> <p>WH</p>																				
09/24/518	<p>To determine and note responses to recent planning applications</p> <p>The response sent to WNC regarding 2024/3614/FULL and</p>																					

	2024/3424/TCA were noted.	
09/24/519	<p>To discuss highways matters.</p> <p>519/1 Crumbling drain repairs A422 No change in condition</p> <p>519/2 Pedestrian guard Rail. Will be installed in next 6-8 weeks no exact date known</p> <p>519/3 Street Light Repair A second quote to repair the light damaged in a recent RTC is needed and to be sent to insurers.</p>	DW
09/24/520	<p>Childrens' Playpark</p> <p>520/1 accessible swing. Item Discharged</p> <p>520/2. Cllrs Grant and Willett both hold keys to the bollards. Item discharge.</p> <p>Cllr Hancock reported that Kings Sutton have an outdoor gym in their park, could something similar be considered for our playpark it being suitable for older children/adults. The article in the Chronicle has caused her to receive a number of complaints due to its tone. It has been pointed out that the majority of those appearing to engage in anti-social behaviour are from outside the parish.</p> <p>Cllr Grant has met with the PCSO and it was explained that matters need reporting to the police at the time. Cllr Grant will speak to residents who are complaining about the behaviour in the park.</p> <p>It was resolved to defer any further discussion or decision on removing the equipment roof structures, which are attracting the children and adults to climb, until after the winter.</p>	JG
09/24/521	<p>Defibrillator monitoring and training</p> <p>All appears ok</p>	
09/24/522	<p>Village Hall</p> <p>The recent meeting was noted and the application for solar panels also noted.</p>	
09/24/523	<p>Village Millenium Sign</p> <p>WNC are going to remove the sign soon with the parishioner having asked that the sign portion be returned to her. Clerk to arrange this</p>	DW
09/24/524	<p>Assets of Community Value</p> <p>No response received regarding school being declined from local councillors. Clerk to speak to the school.</p>	DW
	<p>Discussion for agenda items next month and items to note.</p> <p>Cllr Nobes: Kings Sutton have 20mph advisory signs, could we have them. Clerk to enquire.</p> <p>Cllr Harrison: Nature Representative for WNC project. To be decided at next meeting.</p>	DW

The meeting closed at 9.27pm.

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 9 October 2024 at 7.00pm.

2409 FPC FINANC REPORT

Farthinghoe Parish Council Financial Report to 31 August 2024	
Bank Statements on 31 August 2024	£17,892.32
Current Account	£7,582.69
Savings Account	£10,309.63
Un-presented payments from July meeting 2024	£0.00
ACTUAL FINANCIAL POSITION on 31 August 2024	£17,892.32
Monies Held on Behalf of Village	
PLAYPARK FUND POSITION on 31 August 2024	£463.83
DEFIBRILLATOR FUND POSITION on 31 August 2024	£154.54
Monies Ring-fenced as Reserves on 31 August 2024	
Precept Reserves (for Parish Elections)	£1,500.00
CALC recommended reserve (approximately 50% of precept)	£6,750.00
Parish Council Fund Position on 31 August 2024	£9,023.95
Parish Council Fund bills to be agreed:	
Bills for Payment in September 2024	
Confidential Expenses (August)	£322.69
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HMRC (September)	£74.20
Direct Debits due in September 2024 (yu energy)	£0.00
Total Payments for September 2024	£1,332.63
Parish Council Fund Position on 11 September 2024	£7,691.32
Financial Transactions in July/August 2024	
Urgent Payments made since meeting in July 2024 (CW ground works)	£355.77
Direct Debits presented in July/August 2024 (yu energy)	£191.97
Receipts since July 2024 (2 x Fox adverts in Chronicle, 1 to be refunded)	£20.00
Cheques/Internet payments out in July/August 2024 (Excl DD)	£749.48
Playpark Fund Bills in July/August 2024	£0.00
Defibrillator Bills in July/August 2024	£0.00
VAT to be claimed 2024/2025	£249.90

2409 CORRESPONDENCE LIST

Date circulated	Received From	Correspondence from 7 July 2024- 4 September 2024	Circulated by
08-Jul	VNC	Weight Limit update	DW
08-Jul	Village Hall	Accounts and minutes July meeting	DW
08-Jul	MM Email	Banbury Guardian article RTC	MM
08-Jul	MM Email	Email exchange with QIR Baggot-Webb	MM
09-Jul	JGemail	Bypass strategy	JG
10-Jul	DWemail	Village sign	DW
11-Jul	MM Email	Original WNCdocument HGV HS2	MM
15-Jul	MM Email	pinch point monitoring	MM
16-Jul	Kier	Pedestrian Rail outside School	DW
19-Jul			
1-Aug			
9-Aug			
22-Aug			
4 Sep	NCALC	Weekly updates	DW
22-Jul	MM Email	WNCplan to turn town into city	MM
25-Jul	VNC	Planning Application 2024/3608/FULL Limes Barn,	MM
26-Jul	MM Email	Playpark Article	MM
28-Jul	VNC	Fix my street updates	MM
28-Jul	VNC	Local Transport Plan consultation	MM
30-Jul	VNC	Planning Application 2024/3614 Homeland Farm	MM
01-Aug	NCALC	WNCbriefings x 3	DW
01-Aug	MM Email	Transport Plan	DW
02-Aug	MM Email	letter from planning minister	MM
03-Aug	MM Email	Letter to Lord Boswell	MM
03-Aug	MM Email	WNC Cabinet meeting 9 July	MM
06-Aug	MM Email	Playpark photo	MM
06-Aug	MM Email	Banbury guardian letter re: MP	MM
06-Aug	MM Email	Henstock correspondence	MM
09-Aug	OPFOC	Newsletter	DW
09-Aug	NCALC	e-update	DW
09-Aug	VNC	pharmaceutical survey	DW
09-Aug	NCALC	PLRupdate	DW
09-Aug	Kier	Pedestrian safety rail revised	DW
09-Aug	VNC	Village sign	DW
12-Aug	MM Email	Pinch Point RTC	MM
12-Aug	MM Email	LTP	MM
13-Aug	VNC	Weekly Planning Updates	MM
14-Aug	Oxford Council	Traffic Data	MM
20-Aug	MM Email	auto Express article	MM
20-Aug	MM Email	J11 planning update	MM
20-Aug	MM Email	Sarah Bool invite	MM
22-Aug	Ian McCord	Petition	MM
22-Aug	Katharine Hospice	Recruitment	DW
22-Aug	MM Email	Bus Fares	DW
22-Aug	NCALC	Training newsletter	DW
22-Aug	ACRE	Monthly newsletter	DW
22-Aug	NCALC	Climate summit	DW
22-Aug	Allotments	September payments	DW
22-Aug	JGemail	Playpark meeting	JG
23-Aug	MM Email	LTP	MM
26-Aug	VNC	Planning updates	MM
30-Aug	MM Email	DFT Road Assessments	MM
31-Aug	MM Email	Evenly Digester	MM
03-Sep	MM Email	QIR Ashraf	MM
04-Sep	Banbury guardian	LTP reaction	DW
04-Sep	VNC	Town and Parish Briefing	DW
04-Sep	NCALC	Zoom briefings	DW
04-Sep	MM Email	Pinch Point Video	DW
		Items in bold sent to database	

