

FARTHINGHOE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting

Held on Wednesday 10 July 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 Sophie Nobes (SN)

Mr David Weston (Clerk) (DW)



Apologies:

ITEM		ACTION
07/24/491	To receive and approve apologies for absence. None received	
07/24/492	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	
07/24/493	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	
07/24/494	To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on 7 June 2024 Cllr Grant stated he felt the minutes were inaccurate. Under 482/4 he stated the decision increase the salary was unanimous, however the vote to do so immediately rather than wait for the half year end was a majority one. The chair agreed to amend the minutes accordingly. The revised minutes will be circulated for approval.	
07/24/495	To Consider any matters arising not covered in the main agenda. There were none.	
07/24/496	To review any correspondence received since 2024 requiring action. There was nothing to review	
07/24/497	WNC Councillors Updates There were no councillors present and no report had been received. The draft LTP will be released once WNC cabinet has approved it. All agreed the plan will require close scrutiny and it is essential that the Farthinghoe Bypass is included on it.	
07/24/498	Bypass update Cllr Morris stated that he felt that the traffic light option	

	<p>favoured by WNC was still on the table despite total opposition from FPC. It was resolved to write to Cllr Baggot-Webb and reiterate our position on this.</p> <p>It was resolved to write to Nick Henstock and ask for a copy of the report into the weight limit evaluation before the September meeting of possible.</p> <p>It was resolved to investigate the possibilities of technological monitoring of the pinch point.</p> <p>It was resolved to write to the new Secretary for Transport and the 2 additional ministers for roads to seek support for the Bypass.</p> <p>It was resolved to write to the new South Northants MP and ask for a meeting rather than a surgery appointment.</p> <p>It was resolved to write to National Highways seeking information on M40 road closures and subsequent diversions onto the A422.</p>	<p>DW</p> <p>DW</p> <p>MM</p> <p>DW</p> <p>DW</p> <p>JG</p>										
07/24/499	<p>To consider financial matters from the RFO:</p> <p>499/1 To receive the financial report for June 2024</p> <p>It was resolved that the financial report for June 2024 was presented and was duly approved.</p> <p>499/2 To approve bills for payment</p> <p>It was resolved to pay the following bills:</p> <table> <tr> <td>Confidential Expenses</td> <td>£322.69</td> </tr> <tr> <td>HMRC</td> <td>£74.20</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Texprep</td> <td>£52.60</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Clerk (reimbursement Microsoft licence)</td> <td>£59.99</td> </tr> <tr> <td>Jon Hampson</td> <td>£140.00</td> </tr> </table> <p>The clerk reported that a quote had been received to replace the lamppost damaged in a recent RTC. The quote is with the driver's insurance company. It was resolved to install the lamppost as quoted by Forde and McHugh.</p> <p>It was resolved to write to WNC and ask them to trim the trees in the area of the lamppost before installation.</p> <p>It was resolved to adopt v 1.0 of the Financial Regulations 2024.</p> <p>Cllr Grant asked that the budget sheet be amended to include the projection for the increase in salary to be taken from contingency.</p>	Confidential Expenses	£322.69	HMRC	£74.20	Texprep	£52.60	Clerk (reimbursement Microsoft licence)	£59.99	Jon Hampson	£140.00	<p>DW</p> <p>DW</p> <p>MM</p> <p>DW</p>
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07/24/500	<p>Communication with Parishioners and Website</p> <p>The background colour has been chosen. Drone footage of the village has been taken and several stills chosen for the site. It was resolved to pay the operator £100 for his expenses as a token of our thanks. The clerk is to chase for email addresses. Cllrs Hancock and Nobes will arrange a separate meeting to finalise the new website including transfer of all legally require documents,</p>	<p>DW</p> <p>WH/SN</p>										
07/24/501	<p>To determine and note responses to recent planning applications</p> <p>501/12024/2888 FULL Greenacres Farm Brackley Road. The comments of no objection were noted.</p>											

	<p>501/2 22/01340/OUT Parcel of lane East of Baynards Green Farm Baynards Green. Cllr Morris stated he was still in touch with WNC over their lack of action in questioning the effects of this proposal when the M40 is closed for any reason and the A42/A422 diversion is in use.)</p> <p>501/3 2024/2947/FULL The Hollies 1 Queen Street. The comments of no objection were noted.</p> <p>Cllr Jarvis asked if we had received notification about off the Bridle Way. It had arrived too late for inclusion in this Agenda.</p>	
07/24/502	<p>To discuss highways matters.</p> <p>502/1 Crumbling drain repairs A422</p> <p>No change in the situation.</p> <p>Cllr Nobes reported that one of the complaints shown on Fixmystreet for the A422/New Road junction is designated as repaired. No repair has actually been completed. It was resolved to report the 'error' to WNC via Fixmystreet and to Cllr Larratt.</p>	SN
07/24/503	<p>Childrens' Playpark</p> <p>503/1 Cllr Morris had today received an email from Stratford Council regarding the accessible swing seat they use. Further enquiries necessary.</p> <p>503/2. The clerk has ordered the replacement 3 entry bollards, which are arriving 11 July. Cllr Willett will arrange installation. It was further resolved to ask the parishioner who will install them to fix the 2 damaged slats on the play frame .</p>	MM JG/BW
07/24/504	<p>Defibrillator monitoring and training</p> <p>All ok</p>	
07/24/505	<p>Village Hall</p> <p>The minutes and treasurers report from the recent meeting were noted.</p>	
07/24/506	<p>Village Millenium sign.</p> <p>The recent email from a parishioner was noted. The FPC position is that it is not a council asset, however the current state of disrepair is causing concern with some villagers. As the sign is on WNC land the clerk has written to them asking for advice about the next steps to resolve this problem . Clerk to chase the response.</p>	DW
07/24/507	<p>Assets of Community Value</p> <p>The clerk has written to our WNC Cllrs asking for them to speak to the ACV team to reconsider their decision not to list the school. To date no replay received. Clerk to chase.</p>	DW
	<p>Discussion for agenda items for the next month and items to note.</p> <p>None</p>	

The meeting closed at 8.33 pm.

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 11 September 2024 at 7.00pm.

2407 FPC FINANCIAL REPORT

Farthinghoe Parish Council Financial Report to 30 June 2024	
Bank Statements on 30 June 2024	£19,169.54
Current Account	£8,859.91
Savings Account	£10,309.63
Un-presented payments from June meeting 2024	£0.00
ACTUAL FINANCIAL POSITION on 30 June 2024	£19,169.54
Monies Held on Behalf of Village	
PLAYPARK FUND POSITION on 30 June 2024	£463.83
DEFIBRILLATOR FUND POSITION on 30 June 2024	£154.54
Monies Ring-fenced as Reserves on 30 June 2024	
Precept Reserves (for Parish Elections)	£1,500.00
CALC recommended reserve (approximately 50% of precept)	£6,750.00
Parish Council Fund Position on 30 June 2024	£10,301.17
Parish Council Fund bills to be agreed:	
Bills for Payment in July 2024	
Confidential Expenses (July)	£322.69
HMRC	£74.20
Texprep (June)	£52.60
Clerk (reimbursement Microsoft)	£59.99
Jon Hampson	£140.00
Direct Debits due in June 2024 (yu energy)	£94.62
Total Payments for June 2024	£744.10
Parish Council Fund Position on 10 July 2024	£9,557.07
Financial Transactions in June 2024	
Urgent Payments made since meeting in June 2024	£0.00
Direct Debits presented in June 2024 (yu energy)	£105.97
Receipts during June 2024 (bank interest)	£70.20
Cheques/Internet payments out in June 2024 (Excl DD)	£754.22
Playpark Fund Bills in June 2024	£0.00
Defibrillator Bills in June 2024	£0.00
VAT to be claimed 2024/2025	£227.27

2407 FPC CORRESPONDENCE LIST

Date circulated	Received From	Correspondence from 6 June - 7 July 2024	Circulated by
07-Jun			
23-Jun			
4-Jul			
7-Jul	NCALC	Weekly update	DW
07-Jun	ACRE	Monthly newsletter	DW
07-Jun	ABW Email	M40 Closure	MM
08-Jun	MM Email	A422 problems to Banbury Guardian	MM
10-Jun	Stagecoach	Fares Rise	DW
10-Jun	Police	Mature Drivers roadshow	DW
12-Jun	JG Email	Special Swing	JG
14-Jun	Little Brook Ward	Pothole updates	MM
16-Jun	WNC	Gulley Cleaning	DW
17-Jun	MM Email	gully cleaning to WNC QIRs	MM
17-Jun	WNC	Election opportunities	DW
17-Jun	Ian McCord	WNC highway plan	MM
18-Jun	MM Email	Exchange with Tony Baggot-Webb	MM
19-Jun	ACRE	Affordable Housing Seminar	DW
20-Jun	WNC	Local Transport plan	MM
20-Jun	MM Email	QIR Breeze re: 7 sisters	MM
21-Jun	MM Email	Fix my street response Queen Street	MM
23-Jun	MM Email	Radio Northampton Broadcast	DW
24-Jun	MM Email	Residents planning objection 7 sisters	MM
25-Jun	MM Email	Chron and Echo link street resurfacing	MM
26-Jun	WNC	2024/2947/FULL at The Hollies, 1 Queen Street	MM
03-Jul	DW email	Street Light replacement	DW
03-Jul	DW email	Free tickets	DW
04-Jul	BRTA	Newsletter	DW
04-Jul	WNC	Town and Parish briefing	DW
07-Jul	ACRE	Monthly Newsletter	DW
07-Jul	MM Email	RTC Farthinghoe	DW
		Items in bold circulated on village database	