

Minutes of the Farndon Parish Council held on Monday, 25th February 2019 at 6.30pm in the Small Hall, Memorial Hall, Farndon

Present: Councillor M Baker, in the Chair
Councillor Mrs Bayne
Councillor A Duckmanton
Councillor Mrs Kingston
Councillor Parker
Councillor Teixeira-Gomes

Also in attendance: County Cllr Mrs Saddington, District Cllr K Walker, Mr S Pashley, Mr J Dodson (FREG) and 5 members of the public

FPC18-132 Apologies for absence

Received and accepted from the Clerk, Jayne Saunders, and District Cllr Mison.

FPC18-133 Declarations of Interest

It was AGREED that any declarations of interest would be stated by Members as required during the meeting.

FPC18-134 Minutes of the Parish Council – 28th January 2019

The minutes of the meeting held on Friday, 11th January 2019 were accepted as a true and correct record and signed by the Chairman.

FPC18-135 County Councillor Session

The Chair suspended the meeting to allow Cllr Mrs Saddington to present her report.

Cllr Mrs Saddington referred to the ongoing, and sometimes overnight, closures of the A46 to allow for amendments to the Cattle Market, A1 and A17 roundabouts. These would continue until June.

An offer of funds had been made to the Parish Council from Cllr Mrs Saddington but an amount was required. The Chair advised that the Clerk would respond.

The Chair queried that, while there was a sign between Newark and Farndon, there were no signs marking the boundary at Thorpe or Hawton. Cllr Mrs Saddington was asked to enquire if signs could be provided.

A member of the public asked if, given the overnight closures of the A46, consideration could be given for the verges to be litter picked.

The Chair thanked Cllr Mrs Saddington for her report and reconvened the meeting.

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FPC18-136 Nottinghamshire County Council

(a) **Local Improvement Scheme – Application Update**

Members noted that the matter was ongoing.

(b) **Installation of Bus Shelter – Long Lane**

Members noted that the bus shelter had now had the solar panels installed.

(c) **Update on Application to Stop-up Part of a Highway – Hawton Lane, Farndon**

Members received and noted correspondence from Nottinghamshire County Council confirming that the stopping-up of the highway had been approved.

(d) **Boundary Signs – Hawton & Thorpe**

This had been covered under FPC18-135.

FPC18-137 Planning Matters

18/02362/FULM – Land Opposite 44 to 26 Fosse Road, Farndon – Erection of a mixed use development comprising petrol filling station and associated retail unit, 2 no. drive throughs, 2 no. offices and 103 bed hotel with associated ancillary facilities, landscaping, flood attenuation lagoon, associated engineering operations (including flood compensation measures) and sustainable drainage system (SuDS) along with associated vehicular and cycle parking and access from Fosse Way and all ancillary works

The Chair advised Members that the report from the Consultant was awaited. Once received it would be circulated to Members and the Parish Council's response confirmed.

Cllr Mrs Saddington raised the issue of the archaeological importance of the site and would pursue with County Council officers.

FPC18-138 District Councillor Session

The Chair suspended the meeting to allow District Councillor Walker to present his report.

Cllr Walker advised that if any resident had any evidence of any District Councillor or Officer being bribed in relation to the proposed development on land adjacent to the A46 then either himself or Matt Lamb (Head of Planning) should be informed. It was understood that residents had been stating that 'planners had already decided' and 'someone from District said it had been approve', which was not the case.

It was noted that the Highways Authority had sent a holding objection.

The Chair thanked Cllr Walker for his report and reconvened the meeting.

FPC18-139 Farndon Residents Environment Group

The Chair suspended the meeting to allow John Dodson to present his report.

Mr Dodson reported that the monthly litter pick was scheduled for Monday, 10th March, and work in the Willow Holt was also planned in the month.

- (a) **January & February Minutes**
These had been circulated to Members for information.

FPC18-140 Public 10 Minute Session

The Chair suspended the meeting to allow questions from the public.

A resident expressed concern at the amount of fly tipping in their area and near their house. The Chair confirmed that the Parish Council were aware of the separate incidents.

Concern was expressed at the length of time the village sign was taking to come to fruition. The Clerk would be asked to expedite the design if possible.

A resident noted that the trees on the A46, on the right-hand side travelling towards East Stoke, were overhanging the highway and needed to be cut back. Cllr Mrs Saddington advised that she would report.

FPC18-141 Parish Council Matters

- (a) **Newark Healthcare Consultative Group – Minutes, 9th November**

The minutes of the Consultative Group held on 9th November were noted. Minutes for the meeting held on 15th February had not yet been received.

- (b) **Best Kept Village Competition**

It was AGREED that the Parish Council would enter the Best Kept Village Competition when entry forms were received.

A sub-committee would be convened once the judging criteria and dates were known.

FPC18-142 Update Report from Chairs

- (a) Chairman of the Council

Parish Map

The Chair referred to information received from a company that could compile a Parish Map, which would be updated for 3 years. After discussion it was AGREED that this not be pursued.

- (b) Planning

19/00302/TEL25 – Land to the North of Corner House Farm, Hawton Lane, Farndon - The Addition of 3 antennas to the existing head frame, add feeders to the tower and add radio equipment within the Cabin

It was noted that this was an addition to an existing structure. No objection was raised.

19/00190/FUL – 140 Marsh Lane, Farndon – Householder application for proposed single storey rear extension and front porch extension

Cllr Baker advised that he had yet to visit the property.

19/00216/FUL – Dr Bike, Unit 1, Hardys Business Park, Hawton Lane, Farndon - Application to Use Building for a Mixed Use of A1 (Retail) and B1 (Business) with Ancillary Use for D2 (Assembly and Leisure)

Cllr Baker advised that a visit had been made to the premises and discussed with the business owner. Permission was sort for non-payment activities and leisure activity when it was initially industrial.

Cllr Baker to speak to the Planning Officer dealing with the application.

19/00143/TWCA – Manor House, 2 School Lane, Farndon - T1 Sycamore 1/3rd crown uplift to maintain tree to more manageable size. T2 Acer - Fell due to weakened unions at base of multi-stemmed trunk, overshadowing and potential to cause structural damage to neighbouring property. Re-plant with native rowan as a replacement as shown.

Members received and noted the decision notice granting permission for the works as outlined.

Decision Notice - 19/00037/TWCA - Kennel Cottage, Old Hall Close, Farndon - Works to cut back branches of 1 No. walnut tree to previous pollarding points

Members received and noted the decision notice granting permission for the works as outlined.

Decision Notice – 18/02306/FUL – 11 Wyke Lane, Farndon - Proposed extension and external alterations, including new render and cladding external finishes and general alterations to elevational fenestration, with internal alterations.

Members received and noted the decision notice which refused planning permission on the grounds that the proposed render finish would harm the character and appearance of the Farndon Conservation Area.

(c) General Purposes

Offer of Donated Planter – Response from Parochial Church Council

It was noted that the Parochial Church Council had thanked the Parish Council for the offer of a planter but had declined as it was felt there was nowhere to site it without it obstructing access to the Church.

Cllr Teixeira-Gomes reported that two planters would be placed on the grass at the slipway and would be planted with roses.

(d) Playing Field

Proposed Circus Visit to Farndon

Members noted the request from Circus Tyanna to visit Farndon with their circus in April. After consideration it was AGREED that this be refused given the other users of the field.

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Container

The Clerk to seek more details on the cost of hire and whether the Parish Council would be liable for any damage and report back to a future meeting.

Request to use field for deliveries

Members noted the request to use the field to deliver building materials to 18 Oak Avenue while works were undertaken on an extension.

It was noted that this would be during the second half of May and the first half of June.

Members AGREED to this request, subject to the following:

- weather conditions
- any damage to the field to be rectified
- a schedule of deliveries to be given so that the gates can be opened and closed

It was further AGREED that the Handyman/Sexton be present for any deliveries and that he make the decision on the day on whether the lorry can go through.

Path to Bowling Club from Fosse Road

A request had been received from the Bowls Club to make the path leading from Fosse Road to the club better to use. It was AGREED that the cricket club be asked if they could roll it level, or allow the Handyman/Sexton to borrow the roller and undertake the work.

Weed Spray of Playing Field

The quotation to spray the playing field for weeds had now been received, in the sum of £800 plus VAT.

New Goal Posts

The cost of the additional fence to go behind the goal posts was still awaited.

Play Areas

The Handyman/Sexton confirmed that a representative from the skate park was coming to view the area on 5th March. Further, he was liaising with the play area company to resolve the issues with the cable runway.

(e)

Cemetery

Purchase of Equipment – Billy Goat Lawn & Litter Vacuum

Members noted the request to purchase an additional piece of equipment to manage the volume of leaves. After consideration this was AGREED.

Tree Report

The Clerk had met with an Arboriculturalist to review the trees in the Cemetery. Confirmation of the quotation was awaited, but it was expected to be in the region of £650 for a complete report.

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(f) Ponds & Riverside

Update on Work at Ponds

The Handyman/Section reported that a lot of work had been done and the area was much improved.

It was suggested that once work was done on the channel, the island be designated as a wildlife area with no fishermen allowed access.

FPC18-143 Report from PSCO Munro

PCSO Munro stated that the Police appreciated residents informing them of incidents within the village. In terms of the fly tipping that was being experienced checks were being made on waste licences. Following on from this a discussion took place regarding the use of CCTV.

A question was asked whether the cameras on the A46 could be used to monitor traffic for anything other than speeding. PSCO Munro advised that they were just for speeding.

Discussion took place on the use of the land from the boundary of Thorpe Lane and the entry to the wind turbine, which was used for anti-social behaviour. It was AGREED that the Parish Council would write to the land owner and ask for the gates to be brought forward, level with the Lane.

FPC18-144 Financial Matters

(a) **To consider accounts for payments in accordance with the circulated schedule**

Members received and noted the account for payments, from 28th January 2019 and 24th February 2019.

(b) **To note any receipts in accordance with the circulated schedule**

Members received and noted the receipt schedule, from 28th January 2019 and 24th February 2019.

(c) **To note the Council's financial position as at 31st January 2019**

Members received and noted the Council's financial position as at 31st January 2019.

FPC18-145 Notts Association of Local Councils

(a) **January & February Personnel Newsletter**

These newsletters had been circulated to Members for information.

FPC18-146 To receive any Correspondence

(a) **Persimmon Building Futures with Team GB**

Members noted correspondence from Persimmon on their nationwide funding scheme, Building Futures. A copy had been forwarded to the Cricket Club for information.

(b) **Warm Homes on Prescription**

Members noted correspondence received from Newark & Sherwood District Council on the 'Warm Homes on Prescription' government initiative. This information to be included in the next Farndon Focus article and highlighted on the residents page.

FPC18-147 Items for Notification

Best Kept Village Competition

Cllr Teixeira-Gomes again asked if contact had been made with the owner of the land at the junction of Main Street and Fosse Road to establish if it could be tidied as part of the Best Kept Village Competition.

FPC18-148 Date of Next Meeting

Monday, 25th March 2019

The meeting closed at 9pm.

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