# Members of the Parish Council – Full Parish Council Meeting Cllr Maughan- Chair, Cllr Clegg-Vice Chair, Cllr Williams, Cllr Bosley, Cllr Causton, Cllr Gilchrist, Cllr Prynne and Cllr Doherty.

Minutes of the Full Meeting of Farringdon Parish Council held on

Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> March 2024 commencing at 7:00pm

All Saints Church, Church Rd, Upper Farringdon, GU34 3EG

Public attending Penny Cushing, Bob Stevens and Simon Pack

### Agenda

132/23 To receive and approve apologies for absence.

None.

133/23 To receive and approve disclosable pecuniary interests and non-pecuniary interests from the Clerk. Local government act 1972 s117

None.

134/23 To receive and approve dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests from councillors. (S33 of the Localism Act 2011)

Marianne Prynne –Lych Gate planning Peter Bosley- Crows Lane project

135/23 To receive resolution to suspend standing orders to allow public question time.

Proposed by Steve Doherty and seconded by Peter Bosley

Penny Cushing confirmed the first meeting of the new Village Hall Charity after the CIO was officially confirmed. The Trustees were formally elected. Forty members indicated unanimously that the option to purchase the Marelands should be actioned.

The progress of the planning application was discussed, and a discussion was held on the type of village hall required. The trustees invited the PC to withdraw its objection to the planning application as this was a conflict of interest.

The PC confirmed that this would be added as a proposal at the next full PC meeting as per protocol depending on the time frame since the planning application was voted on.

136/23 To receive resolution to resume standing orders.

Resolved.

137/23 To approve the minutes of the of 9<sup>th</sup> January 2024 (copy of minutes circulated to all councillors prior to this meeting).

Approved unanimously

138/23 Reports and Issues:

- \* Denise Maughan update Gaston Lane /Barleywood Farm maintenance issues. HCC roads have confirmed that the repair will take 18 months. Denise has been in discussions with HCC and a complaint has been made. Any updates will be forwarded to all councillors.
- \* Peter Bosley report on Crows Lane verge ongoing damage and repair solutions.

Peter confirmed that discussions with residents in East View and West View had been positive. The condition of the verge is very bad. The Clerk will investigate the cost of work to stabilise and strengthen the verge and report back.

\* Peter Bosley report on flash flooding in Upper Farringdon.
Peter outlined the problems flash flooding was having in Upper Farringdon again, not helped by blocked drains throughout the village.
Pressure needs to be applied to HCC to increase maintenance of the drains.

\* Andy Clegg report on status of VHT/CIO.

Andy confirmed that the new charity was in place and that the assets and liabilities of the previous charity had now been transferred.

Delia Gilchrist asked why the financial data on the accounts had shown no expenditure. Andy confirmed that following the previous return that no payments had been made. A VAT reclaim was still to be made. He also said a meeting of 10 members was required to officially close the old charity.

\* Clerk update on Lych Gate repairs.

The Clerk confirmed that the planning application was registered, and the PC would vote on the application later. He confirmed that the appeal to keep the funds had been agreed by Hampshire County Council but only until 1st July 2024. He was contacting the contractor to confirm any price changes and availability. The Clerk will organize a meeting with the contractor, the PCC and Councillor Prynne when permission is granted before works begins.

\* Andy Clegg report on new speed devices.

Andy confirmed that the devices had been installed. Two units were not working, and he had returned them to the manufacturer for repair under warranty.

The average speed for all vehicles was 37mph.

The devices had recorded 585 vehicles in excess of the speed limit.

42 of these vehicles were repeat offenders.

The maximum speed recorded was 57mph.

10 vehicles recorded a speed of over 50mph.

\* Relocating council meetings to the Golden Pheasant Pub to be renamed the Royal Oak.

Denise had a meeting with the new landlord. He was happy for the PC to use the pub for meetings. The PC confirmed that the following points need to be checked before a proposal to change venue is made.

- 1. Health & Safety fire door access
- 2. Suitable furniture
- 3. Broad Band access and strength of signal.

The PC would wish to pay the correct commercial rate to higher the venue, to support this local business.

139/23 To Receive the bank statements to 20th February 2024.

### Main Account #806

| Date       | Detail                  | Debit    | Credit | Balance    |
|------------|-------------------------|----------|--------|------------|
| 20/12/2023 | Opening Balance         |          |        | £118667.38 |
| 22/12/2023 | NEST pension            | £86.69   |        |            |
| 22/12/2023 | Chq 100318 Clerk        | £1029.37 |        |            |
|            | Salary                  |          |        |            |
| 10/01/2024 | Bank Charge             | £8.20    |        |            |
| 18/01/2024 | Chq 100322 Clerk Salary | £1029.37 |        |            |
| 25/01/2024 | Chq 100317 AVA          | £3228.95 |        |            |
|            | recreation              |          |        |            |
| 29/01/2024 | Chq 100320 idVerde      | £432.80  |        |            |
|            | waste collection        |          |        |            |
| 30/01/2024 | Chq 100319 PJ Grace     | £770.78  |        |            |
|            | fencing                 |          |        |            |
| 07/02/2024 | Chq 100276 CII resident | £48.36   |        |            |
|            | expenses                |          |        |            |
| 10/02/2024 | Bank Charges            | £5.80    |        |            |
| 16/02/2024 | NEST Pension            | £173.38  |        |            |
| 16/02/2024 | Chq 100327 Clerk Salary | £1029.37 |        |            |
| 16/02/2024 | Chq 100326 DG Design    | £30.00   |        |            |
|            | and print               |          |        |            |
| 20/02/2024 | Closing Balance         |          |        | £110794.31 |

### Sub Account #822

| Date       | Detail          | Debit | Credit | Balance   |
|------------|-----------------|-------|--------|-----------|
| 20/12/2023 | Opening Balance |       |        | £25486.30 |
| 20/01/2024 | Interest        |       | £41.99 |           |
| 20/02/2024 | Interest        |       | £42.06 |           |
| 20/02/2024 | Closing Balance |       |        | £25570.35 |

### Sub Account #814

| Date       | Detail          | Debit | Credit | Balance   |
|------------|-----------------|-------|--------|-----------|
| 20/12/2023 | Opening Balance |       |        | £29048.25 |
| 20/01/2024 | Interest        |       | £47.86 |           |

| 20/02/2024 | Interest        | £47.94 |           |
|------------|-----------------|--------|-----------|
| 20/02/2024 | Closing Balance |        | £29144.05 |

Approved.

#### 140/23 Planning applications:

Install wall hung handmade clay tiles to the upper apex of the southern elevation.

- West Cross House The Street Upper Farringdon Alton Hampshire GU34 3DT

Ref. No: SDNP/24/00603/HOUS | Received date: Tue 13 Feb 2024 | Status: Pending Consideration | Case Type: Planning Application

No Comments or objections

### Resurfacing (maintenance) of existing gravel track. - All Saints Church Church Road Upper Farringdon Alton Hampshire GU34 3EG

Ref. No: SDNP/24/00625/FUL | Received date: Wed 14 Feb 2024 | Status: Pending Consideration | Case Type: Planning Application

No objections

David Williams and Marianne Prynne abstained.

Comment – to ensure the resurfacing does not increase flooding to the road and associated houses.

## Replacement of Lounge floor with a suspended wood floor Replace open fire by log burner. - Angerton Church Road Upper Farringdon Alton Hampshire GU34 3EG

Ref. No: SDNP/24/00172/LIS | Received date: Tue 16 Jan 2024 | Status: Pending Consideration | Case Type: Planning Application

No Comments or Objections

Extension to existing arena from 20 x 40m to 20 x 60m, removal of existing post and rail fencing and replace with retaining timber board - Land East of The Orchards Shirnall Hill Lower Farringdon Alton Hampshire

Ref. No: SDNP/24/00794/FUL | Received date: Fri 23 Feb 2024 | Status: Pending Consideration | Case Type: Planning Application

No Objections

The PC pointed out that any outside lighting should not be increased in line with SDNP dark skies policy.

### <u>Single storey extension. - Cavalliers Hill Shirnall Hill Upper Farringdon Alton Hampshire</u> GU34 3DS

Ref. No: SDNP/24/00746/HOUS | Received date: Thu 22 Feb 2024 | Status: Pending Consideration | Case Type: Planning Application

No Comments or Objections

<u>Discharge Conditions on SDNP/23/01603/LIS - 2 - Materials, 3 - Window and Door Details., 4 - Construction details and 6 - Meter Boxes and Ducting. - Manor Farm Gaston Lane Farringdon Alton Hampshire GU34 3EE</u>

Ref. No: SDNP/24/00990/DCOND | Received date: Thu 07 Mar 2024 | Status: Pending Consideration | Case Type: Planning Application

No Comments or Objections

<u>Discharge Conditions on SDNP/21/01122/FUL 4 - Hard and soft Landscaping scheme, 10 - Bin and Cycle Storage. - Manor Farm Gaston Lane Farringdon Alton Hampshire GU34 3EE</u>

Ref. No: SDNP/24/01013/DCOND | Received date: Fri 08 Mar 2024 | Status: Pending Consideration | Case Type: Planning Application

No Comments or Objections

141/23 Proposal by David Williams (costs and plans distributed to all councillors prior to this meeting) To proceed with the plan to remove redundant and incorrect signs in the village and install new signs as required.

The maximum total cost would be £4162.23 (ex. vat).

Seconded by Marianne Prynne

Proposal passed - Andy Clegg Abstained.

142/23 Proposal by Denise Maughan to install new village gates along the A32 (costs and plans distributed to all councillors prior to this meeting).

The maximum total cost would be £16013.60 (ex.vat).

Seconded by Peter Bosley

Denise Maughan voted for the proposal and all other councillors voted against the proposal.

The proposal therefore was rejected.

143/23 Proposal by Denise Maughan to install new village name signs (black on white).

The maximum total cost would be £3217.40 (ex.vat).

Seconded by Peter Bosley

Peter Bosley and Denise Maughan voted for the proposal, Marianne Prynne abstained, and all other councillors voted against the proposal.

The proposal was therefore rejected.

144/23 Proposal by Denise Maughan to combine proposal 142/23 and 143/23, which would reduce costs if both proposals were accepted.

The maximum total cost would be £16715.60 (ex. vat).

Due to proposal 142 and 143 being rejected this proposal was void.

145/23 Proposal by Denise Maughan to install new pedestrian warning signs along with a new post which will also allow the mounting of one of the new speed monitoring devices. The cost has been confirmed by HHC of £1200.00

Seconded by Andy Clegg.

Voted unanimously although the new pole installation was no longer required.

146/23 Proposal by Andy Clegg that a new "ASD" (speed device policy) is approved by the council and published on the parish council website. (Policy distributed to all councillors prior to this meeting).

Seconded by Denise Maughan and voted for unanimously.

147/23 Proposal by Andy Clegg that a sub-committee of residents and or councillors is formed to administer and report to the Parish Council on all Speed awareness programs initiated by the council.

i.e., Smiley Cameras, ASW speed monitoring/ recording devices and any further initiatives.

Seconded by Peter Bosley and voted for unanimously.

Delia Gilchrist, Peter Bosley and Andy Clegg volunteered to verify licence plate information in accordance with GDPR legislation.

The Clerk will contact external contractors to manage deployment and maintenance of the speed monitoring devices. This will include a deployment plan required by HCC for the new device for Shirnall Hill.

148/23 Proposal by Andy Clegg that the PC authorize the expenditure of £279.75 (ex. vat) to purchase 3 solar boost kits for the ASW devices to boost power in winter months.

Seconded by Steve Doherty and approved unanimously.

149/23 Proposal by Denise Maughan to approve and formally adopt the Farringdon Village Emergency Flood Plan. (a copy of the plan was distributed to all councillors prior to this meeting).

Seconded by Andy Clegg and approved unanimously.

150/23 Proposal by Anthony Causton that the Village Garden project is allocated a £1000.00 (ex.vat) for its annual expenditure from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2024 to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2025. (Details of the breakdown of costs distributed to all councillors prior to this meeting).

This expenditure is perceived as an ongoing maintenance cost.

Seconded by Peter Bosley and approved unanimously.

151/23 Proposal by Anthony Causton that the Village Garden project is allocated £1500.00 (ex. vat) for one off project expenditure to purchase mycorrhizal fungi, wallpaper paste for hedge planting and the construction of a new raised bed to include the associated costs of construction and preparation for planting.

#### Seconded by Peter Bosley

The PC discussed the expenditure and decided that they would like any projects with exact costs to be presented to them individually. They would then discuss the proposed project and vote on them on a case-by-case basis.

The proposal was therefore rejected.

### 152/23 Environmental Report – Cllr David Williams

David Williams confirmed that all faults have been reported but little if any action has taken place. Work has been carried out on Brightstone Lane and Kitcombe Lane for problems caused by flash flooding. He reiterated that local landowners are responsible for ditch clearances and hedge and footpath cutting. He commented that Lords Wood had recently been sold.

He confirmed that HCC were not prioritizing repairs and encouraged residents to keep reporting faults to escalate them.

### 153/23 Future Meeting Dates:

| Date                            | Time   | Venue             | Primary Purpose        |
|---------------------------------|--------|-------------------|------------------------|
| 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2024       | 7:00pm | All Saints Church | Annual Council Meeting |
| 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2024       | 7:00pm | All Saints Church | Full Council Meeting   |
| 10 <sup>th</sup> September 2024 | 7:00pm | All Saints Church | Full Council Meeting   |

| 12 <sup>th</sup> November 2024 | 7:00pm | All Saints Church | Full Council Meeting |
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