

FARTHINGHOE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING

held on Wednesday 11 October 2023 at 7.00pm at The Village Hall



Councillors present Mr Mick Morris (Chair) (MM)
 Mr Barry Willett (BW)
 Mr John Grant (JG)
 Mr David Weston (Clerk) (DW)

Apologies: Mr Trevor Jarvis (TJ), Mr Henry Bankes-Jones (HBJ), Mrs Wendy Hancock (WH), Mr James Harrison (JH)

ITEM		ACTION
10/23/347	To receive and approve apologies for absence. Apologies were received from Cllrs Jarvis, Bankes-Jones, Hancock and Harrison	
10/23/348	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	
10/23/349	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 present	
10/23/350	WNC Councillors Q&A None present or apologies received.	
10/23/351	Bypass update The PC response to the WNC Strategic Case for the By-Pass has been sent into them but no acknowledgement of receipt received. Cllr Grant will write to our MP asking her view on whether or not WNC are serious in stating that they will conduct a feasibility study into options including the B4525 for HGVs as an interim solution for the weight limit proposal for the A422 through Farthinghoe. Cllr Morris stated there also needs to be a directive set for HGVs coming from Milton Keynes area on the A422/A421 to use J10 of the M40. It was resolved to draft a letter and circulate to all Councillors prior to sending. Following a comment from a parishioner it was resolved to look into installing cameras to monitor the pinch point for traffic delays and collect data concerning the frequencies. Cllr Morris also stated he would send a follow up email to WNC and to our MP's office outlining further issues with the traffic light delays that have been experienced on the A422 all day today and the congestion it has caused. Cllr Willett expressed his disappointment that no mention was	JG DW MM

	made of the Bypass in our MP's recent update. Cllr Morris will draft an update for the village database on the bypass situation including sending it to local parish councils for their information.	MM
10/23/352	To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on 13 September 2023 It was resolved that the minutes of were taken as read. They were signed by the Chairman and were adopted as approved.	
10/23/353	To Consider any matters arising not covered in the main agenda. 353/1 It was resolved to contact WNC to ask for the rubbish bin to be moved nearer the bus stop. MM will chase a response.	MM
10/23/354	To review any correspondence received since 7 September 2023 which require action. The road closures petition was discussed. It was resolved to circulate it on the PC database and look for a suitable location to leave it for signing.	MM DW
10/23/355	To consider financial matters from the RFO: 355/1 To receive the financial report for September 2023 It was resolved that the financial report for September 2023 was presented and was duly approved. 355/2 To approve bills for payment It was resolved to pay the following bills: HMRC £168.40 Clerk Salary and Exes (Q2) £749.45 Jon Hampson £170.00 Texprep £52.60 Mr C Waters £40.00 Direct Debits for Electricity (paid) £250.60 355/3 Version 0.1 draft budget for 2024/2025 was discussed. Cllr Grant asked for 2 changes to figures, these will be incorporated in version 0.2. This will be a full agenda item next meeting.	DW DW
10/23/356	Communications with Parishioners It was resolved to roll this item onto the next Agenda	
10/23/357	To determine and note responses to recent planning applications There were none to note	
10/23/358	Solar Farm Update The situation remains unchanged since the last meeting	
10/23/359	To discuss highways matters. 359/1 Crumbling drain repairs A422 There has been no change since the last meeting	
10/23/360	Childrens' Playpark The annual H&S inspection is booked for November	
10/23/361	Defibrillator monitoring and training Cllr Morris to check that the monitoring sheet is being updated.	
10/23/362	Asset of Community Value Project The clerk has received an update from WNC after they had been chased by the WNC Parish Council Liaison Officer. The	

	<p>application to register the school has been rejected. The applications for the Fox PH and the Village Hall to be registered were now being considered by WNC. A decision will be made within 8 weeks.</p>	
	<p>Round the table Cllr Willett asked for that the Allotments Charity be requested to cut back between the Bus Stop and the Alms Houses as it was impeding the sightlines for bus drivers and passengers into and out of the bus shelter. Nethercote are seeking to register an area as special interest to save it from development. Cllr Morris will circulate something to all residents. It was resolved the PC will support them.</p>	<p>MM</p>

The meeting closed at 8.30pm.

The next meeting will take place on Wednesday 1 November 2023 at 7.00pm.

Farthinghoe Parish Council Financial Report to 30 September 2023	
Bank Statements on 30 September 2023	£22,472.89
Current Account	£12,373.20
Savings Account	£10,099.69
Un-presented payments from September meeting 2023	£540.09
ACTUAL FINANCIAL POSITION on 30 September 2023	£21,932.80
Monies Held on Behalf of Village	
PLAYPARK FUND POSITION on 30 September 2023	£697.47
DEFIBRILLATOR FUND POSITION on 30 September 2023	£154.54
Monies Ring-fenced as Reserves on 30 September 2023	
Precept Reserves (for Parish Elections)	£1,500.00
CALC recommended reserve (approximately 50% of precept)	£6,250.00
Parish Council Fund Position on 30 September 2023	£13,330.79
Parish Council Fund bills to be agreed:	
Bills for Payment in September 2023	
HMRC	£168.40
D Weston (salary & exes Q2)	£749.45
Jon Hampson	£170.00
Texprep (October)	£52.60
Charlie Walters (dog bin repair)	£40.00
Direct Debits due in September 2023 (yu energy)	£250.60
Total Payments for October 2023	£1,431.05
Parish Council Fund Position on 11 October 2023	£11,899.74
Financial Transactions in September 2023	
Urgent Payments made since meeting in September 2023 (bank charges)	£18.00
Direct Debits presented in September 2023 (yu energy)	£246.69
Receipts during September 2023 (precept, bank interest)	£6,568.13
Cheques/Internet payments out in September 2023	£0.00
Playpark Fund Bills in September 2023	£0.00
Defibrillator Bills in September 2023	£0.00
VAT to be claimed 2023/2024	£164.30

Date circulated	Received From	Correspondence from 7 September 2023 to 8 October 2023	Action
08-Sep	MM	Email re: Ambulance pinch point monitoring	MM circ to Cllrs
09-Sep	DALMP office	update re: conversations with roads minister	MM circ to Cllrs
11-Sep	WNC	Weekly planning Report	MM circ to Cllrs
11-Sep	MM	Village Hall Meeting Report	MM circ to Cllrs
13-Sep	NCALC	September newsletter	DW circ to Cllrs
13-Sep	NCALC	Doorstep Crime training course	DW circ to Cllrs
13-Sep			
8-Oct	NCALC	Weekly update	DW circ to Cllrs
13-Sep	WNC	Replacement doors and windows	DW circ to Cllrs
13-Sep	WNC	HS2 liaison meeting Agenda	DW circ to Cllrs
13-Sep	WNC	Consultations	DW circ to Cllrs
13-Sep	WNC	HS2 /A43 Liaison meeting notes	DW circ to Cllrs
13-Sep	WNC	HS2 planning update	DW circ to Cllrs
13-Sep	MM	Response to J11 planning application	MM circ to Cllrs
29-Sep	OPFCC	September Newsletter	DW circ to Cllrs
29-Sep	WNC	Parish Briefing	DW circ to Cllrs
29-Sep	WNC	HS2 liaison meeting notes	DW circ to Cllrs
29-Sep	ACRE	September newsletter	DW circ to Cllrs
29-Sep	NCALC	Bi-monthly newsletter	DW circ to Cllrs
03-Oct	WNC	Bypass Strategic Case	DW circ to Cllrs
03-Oct	WNC	Bus consultation	DW circ to Cllrs
05-Oct	DALMP office	Road Closures Petition	DW circ to Cllrs
05-Oct	Email MM	email re: HS2 monies for Isham Bypass	DW circ to Cllrs
05-Oct	Email MM	Responses to WNC Strategic Case	DW circ to Cllrs
		Items in Bold sent to Cllrs and residents	