

FARTHINGHOE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING

held on Wednesday 9 September 2020 at 7.00pm

This meeting was held virtually using Zoom platform



Councillors present: Mr James Harrison Acting Chair (JH)
Mr Henry Bankes-Jones (HBJ)
Mr Barry Willett (BW)
Mr Trevor Jarvis (TJ)
Mr John Grant (JG)
Mr David Weston (Clerk) (DW)

Apologies: Mr Mick Morris (Chair) (MM)
Mr David Dashwood (DD)

The Local Authorities (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority Meetings) (England) Regulations 2020 allows virtual meetings to be conducted during the Coronavirus Crisis.

ITEM		ACTION
20/09/769	To receive and approve apologies for absence It was resolved to accept and approve an apology for absence from Cllr Morris and Cllr Dashwood	
20/09/770	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.) There were no declarations of interest.	
20/09/771	Public participation session (members of the public are invited to address the council. The session will last for a maximum of 5 minutes with any individual contribution lasting a maximum of 1 minute. Members of the public should address their representations through the chairman of the meeting). No members of the public were present or dialled in.	
20/09/772	To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on 6 August 2020. It was resolved that the minutes of Wednesday 6 August 2020 were taken as read. They had been signed in advance by the Chairman and were adopted as approved.	
20/09/773	Matters arising not covered in the main agenda 773/1 (update provided by Cllr Morris in written format). Overweight Vehicles using New road—Having got the contact details of the company, we need to make contact to ask that the hauliers contact us next year to let us know their plan for controlling their drivers & to operate a one way system to avoid conflict & verge damage in New Road & Clarks Lane. Cllr Dashwood to forward vehicle details for future communication.	DD

	Diary note for March 2021 to follow up. 773/2 nomination of volunteers to ACRE Nominations made.	
20/09/774	To receive the correspondence since 6 August 2020 requiring action. There was nothing to review	
20/09/775	To consider financial matters from the RFO: 775/1 To receive the financial report for August 2020 It was resolved that the financial report for August 2020 was presented and was duly accepted. 775/2 To approve bills for payment It was resolved to pay the following bills: TexPrep £66.30 An additional bill from Jon Hampson for mowing for £110 was received after the production of the financial report and was agreed to be paid. The budget forecast for 2020/21 has been amended to remove any anticipated income from advertising from both Limes Farm & The Fox. DW will liaise with Cllr Grant outside the meeting to arrange the interim audit in September.	DW
20/09/776	To determine responses to recent planning applications There were no applications to consider	
20/09/777	Solar Farm update SNC have asked for an Environmental Impact Assessment in respect of the proposed site. Cllr Harrison suggested we ensure if the proposal goes ahead, we are in line for any community grants that are offered. It was resolved we would continue to circulate all information to the community we receive. Cllr Grant stated he had received a letter, as a resident, regarding a proposed site for a solar farm on Welsh Lane. It was felt as a PC we shouldn't be involved in this solar farm project as there was no direct affect on the village. The PC will still receive correspondence regarding the proposed Greatworth site.	MM
20/09/778	To discuss traffic matters for the village. 778/1 (written update from Cllr Morris). SNC Planning Enforcement has contacted Limes Farm to instruct them to follow their Planning Conditions at all times.—That is a closed & coded locked gate is the default position. This gate should only be used by those detailed in the Conditions & at all other times it should remain closed & locked. 778/2 Road markings Charlton Way. There has been no progress thus far. It was resolved to roll this action on for a	

	<p>month. 778/3 (written update from Cllr Morris). The Highways team will be contacting the Landowners concerning blocked ditches which they feel are the cause of the flooding. Cllr Harrison agreed to email Cllr Dashwood regarding this.</p> <p>778/4 Pedestrian Crossing Upgrade. This is scheduled to start on Monday 14 September 2020.</p> <p>778/5 Road markings at the junction of Main Road with Baker Street. There has been no progress thus far. It was resolved to roll this action on for a month.</p>	JH
20/09/779	<p>Bypass update. There is a meeting to be held with NCC and interested parties to assess the funding for design and offer the proposed route for public consultation by the end of October 2020.</p> <p>Andrea Leadsom MP has copied the PC in on an email asking the Transport Secretary for an update on proposed funding for the by-pass.</p>	JG
20/09/780	<p>Maintenance matters 780/1 The grant application to SNC for the purchase and installation of 2 new bus shelters has been unsuccessful. It was resolved to pursue an application for funding via the HS2 community grant scheme. The cost of replacing the shelter at the allotments will be considered by the PC at the October meeting. It was resolved Cllr Willett will get a separate quote from the agreed supplier for the single shelter</p>	DW BW
20/09/781	<p>Childrens' Playpark Following the annual inspection, a fault was reported to us with the swings. Interim action was taken, and the swings sealed off for a short time until Cllr Grant enlisted a local resident to affect a satisfactory repair. Cllr Grant raise the question of the longer-term management of the park now the existing committee of volunteers have moved on from the village. It was resolved this will be a discussion point at the next PC meeting. Cllr Jarvis suggested a feature in the next edition of the Chronicle asking for volunteers to come forward to take this on. It was resolved to do this. Cllr Grant asked for a purchase of additional bark to supplement the play area, and replacement of signs regarding dogs and parking. It was resolved to purchase extra bark and additional signs, costs to be circulated for approval. Cllr Dashwood to be contacted for a date to install the bollards bought for the entrance gate.</p>	DW DW DW

	<p>Round the table</p> <p>Cllr Harrison mentioned an email received from a local organisation asking for support to ask for a cycle route linking Towcester and Brackley. Cllr Grant expressed reservations about supporting a project that could take our focus off the proposed by-pass. It was resolved we would revisit the request later this year.</p>	
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The meeting closed at 7.52pm.

The next meeting will take place on **Wednesday 7 October 2020** at 7.00pm. At this time, it is anticipated it will be a virtual meeting.

FARTHINGHOE PARISH COUNCIL FINANCIAL REPORT

BANK STATEMENTS as at 31 August 2020	£12,866.08
Business Saver Account	£10,113.24
Community Account	£2,752.84

DIRECT DEBITS PRESENTED IN MONTH (FOR INFO ONLY) £0.00

RECEIPTS DURING MONTH: Nil

CHEQUES PRESENTED SINCE 31 July 2020	£902.07
UN-PRESENTED CHEQUES SINCE 31 July 2020	£316.29
CHEQUES/PAYMENTS DRAWN SINCE 31 July 202	Nil

ACTUAL FUND POSITION AT 31 August 2020 £12,549.79

PLAYPARK FUND POSITION AT 31 August 2020	£2,156.34
DEFIBRILLATOR FUND POSITION AT 31 August 2020	£436.48
PRECEPT FUND POSITION AT 31 August 2020	£9,956.97

PRECEPT FUND

Bills for Payment 9 September 2020	
TexPrep (Chronicle)	£66.30
Total:	£66.30
Total Closing Precept Fund as at 9 September 2020	£9,890.67
Precept Reserves (for Parish Elections)	£1,500.00

PRECEPT POSITION AS AT 9 September 2020 £8,390.67

VAT Awaiting Claim from this month bills)	Nil
VAT Awaiting Claim Cumulative total	£23.58

PLAYPARK FUND

BILLS FOR PAYMENT August 2020	None
CLOSING PLAYPARK FUND POSITION AT 31 August 2020	£2,156.34

DEFIBRILLATOR FUND

BILLS FOR PAYMENT August 2020	None
CLOSING DEFIBRILLATOR FUND AT 31 August 2020	£436.48

Date	Received From	Correspondence 6 August to 3 September 2020	Action
11-Aug 17-Aug 21 Aug 30-Aug	NCALC	Weekly update x 4	DW circ to Cllrs
08-Aug	SNC	Panning update re Solar Farm Environmental Impact Req'd	MM circ to Cllrs
11-Aug	Brackley Hospital	August newsletter	DW circ to Cllrs
10-Aug	Email	Traffic chaos	MM circ to Cllrs
11-Aug 19-Aug 25 Aug 2 Sep	Rural Services Network	Weekly Bulletin x 4	DW circ to Cllrs
11 Aug 21 Aug 30-Aug	Kier	Weekly Works Programme x 3	DW circ to Cllrs
11-Aug	MM	Banbury Guardian link to new authority preferred candidate	MM circ to Cllrs
17-Aug	NCALC	Invitation to AGM via zoom	DW circ to Cllrs
15-Aug	Email	MM to Solar Farm group re public consultation	MM circ to Cllrs
17-Aug	Street Doctor	Tree down on Chapel Lane	MM circ to Cllrs
17-Aug	Email	MM to Pegasus re Solar Farm consultation	MM circ to Cllrs
18-Aug	Street Doctor	Bridleway between Cockley Road and A422	MM circ to Cllrs
19-Aug	NCALC	NCALC Training courses and seminars September 2020	DW circ to Cllrs
21-Aug	Kier/James Harrison	Drainage on Hinton in the hedges Road	MM circ to Cllrs
21-Aug	SNC	Request for info on any large gatherings	DW circ to Cllrs
24-Aug	NCALC	Unitary blueprint	DW circ to Cllrs
24-Aug	SOFEA	Food parcel final survey	DW circ to Cllrs
26-Aug	Email	Map of proposed solar farms, bypass and HS2	MM circ to Cllrs
26-Aug	Email	Proposed Sept Chronicle entry re: solar farm	MM circ to Cllrs
30-Aug	Email	Playpark inspection	DW circ to Cllrs
30-Aug	Chronicle	September Edition	DW circ to Cllrs
02-Sep	Email	Unsuccessful Grant	DW circ to Cllrs
02-Sep	SNC	EAI Solar Farm	DW circ to Cllrs
02-Sep	NCALC	Q&A with West Northants members	DW circ to Cllrs
02-Sep	email	MM regarding highways and the preferred bypass.	MM circ to Cllrs
02-Sep	SNC	co-opting 2 councillors	DW circ to Cllrs
02-Sep	SNC	Grant rejection letter	DW circ to Cllrs
02-Sep	SNC	Parish update	DW circ to Cllrs
03-Sep	Rural Services Network	Monthly funding digest	DW circ to Cllrs