

FARCET PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of meeting held 1st March 2022 at Farcet Village Hall

L Granger, M Rainey, C Avery, A Cunningham, J Hughes and the Clerk Mrs E Tajer

1 Member of the public were present

Public Participation

This section (at the Chairman's discretion may last up to 15 minutes) is to ask questions of, and make comments, regarding the Parish Council. Questions not answered at this meeting will be answered in writing to the person asking the question, or may appear as an agenda item for the next meeting.

Child and Family Centre Manager, Katie Bishop in attendance- they have started a new group in coordinating with the Salvation Army. Ms Bishop explained they are looking to help and support families in the Parish.

The Clerk highlighted that there is little provision for teenagers in the Parish and when the Parish Council did try to establish a youth group, they struggled for volunteers.

Rev Avery suggested an after school group- Ms Bishop advised they could help training and volunteers. It was agreed to add to the plan of priorities.

A resident highlighted comments from Social media.

2719/21-22 To elect Chairman of the Council for the meeting

Resolved: It was proposed by Rev Avery, seconded by Ms Hughes and agreed Mr Granger would Chair the meeting.

2720/21-22 Receive and approve apologies

Schedule 12 of the Local Government Act 1972 requires a record to be kept of the members present and that this record form part of the minutes of the meeting. Members who cannot attend a meeting should tender apologies to the Parish Clerk as it is usual for the grounds upon which apologies are tendered also to be recorded.

Resolved: N Benn, County Cllr McGuire

2721/21-22 Receive Disclosable Pecuniary Interest declarations

Regulation 2012 (SI 2012/1464) (NB this does not preclude any later declarations)

Resolved: None

2722/21-22 Approve the minutes of the meetings held on 8th February 2022 (LGA 1972 Sch12 para 41(1))

Resolved: It was proposed by Mr Cunningham seconded by Mr Rainey and agreed to approve the minutes of 8th February 2022.

2723/21-22 Matters Arising from the minutes of the meeting of 8th February 2022

- Flashing speed limit sign has been reported to Cambs Highways
- War memorial inspection – awaiting report

2724/21-22 Matters for information and reports

1. Representatives on outside bodies- None

2725/21-22 Village matters

1. Plan of priorities for the village (includes Community projects and feedback from working group on Church Walk and Haddon Way)
Village Hall Kitchen- awaiting further quotations

Church Walk redevelopment- still awaiting Hunts DC regarding the Land.

Painting of VH Doors and steps- added to plan of priorities

2726/21-22 Cemetery and allotments

2727/21-22 Planning (Please note: in planning matters the Council acts as the consultee of the Principal Authority. The Principal Authority being the deciding body)

1. Approvals/Refusals/Appeals- None
2. New Applications- None

2728/21-22 Finance**1. Approve accounts for payment (LGA 1972 s150 (5))**

1764	1/3/2022	s/o	Clerk	Wages	£941.66
1765	1/3/2022	s/o	Superannuation	Contribution employee and employer	£276.90
1766	1/3/2022	s/o	Clerk	Home office	£43.33
1767	1/3/2022	Bacs	Mr T Homewood	Village Hall caretaker	£233.00
1768	1/3/2022	Bacs	Mr M Kinder	Village Warden	£278.00
1769	1/3/2022	Bacs	New Flame	Fire alarm test	£102.00
1770	1/3/2022	Bacs	East Midlands Tree Survey Ltd	Cemetery tree inspection	£570.00
1771	1/3/2022	Bacs	Wave	Cemetery Water	£16.52
1772	1/3/2022	dd	British Gas	Chapel Electricity	£28.88
1773	1/3/2022	Dd	British Gas	VH Gas	£708.58
1774	1/3/2022	Dd	Wave	VH Water	£85.70
1775	1/3/2022	Bacs	Beeby's	Outstanding maintenance invoice	£2017.16

Resolved: It was proposed by Ms Hughes seconded by Mr Cunnington and agreed to approve the accounts for payment.

2. Bank reconciliation was noted and approved**2729/21-22 Parish Council**

1. Newsletter- three volunteers have come forward. It was agreed the Clerk will forward Rev Avery the proforma design. The Parish Council would have the final agreement prior to printing.
2. Operation London Bridge- circulated to St Mary's Church and Salvation Army
3. Village maintenance quotation- awaiting quotations
4. Meeting dates 2022/2023
5th April 2022, 3rd May 2022, 7th June 2022, 5th July 2022, 6th September 2022, 4th October 2022, 1st November 2022, 6th December 2022, 7th February 2023, 7th March 2023
5. 'The Jitty' Maintenance- the footpath does not belong to the Parish Council however under the Highway Act 1980, the Parish Council can maintain the area. It is not currently in the village warden's contract, however the Clerk will contact him and request this to be cleared of leaves and rubbish. It will also be added to the contract in the future.
6. Roads and footpaths- poor visibility of street signs and poor condition of footpaths in village These have been reported to Cambs Highways of numerous occasions. It was agreed to bring this to the attention of County Cllr McGuire.

2730/21-22 Correspondence

- Town/Parish Elections information

2731/21-22 Matters as agenda items for future consideration

- Standing orders review
- CAPALC Membership
- VH Hall fees
- Code of Conduct

2732/21-22 The meeting closed at 8:50pm. The date of next meeting 5th April 2022