

FARCET PARISH COUNCIL

The Minutes of meeting held 6th February 2023 at Farcet Village Hall

Councillors D Gillam, L Granger, S Howell, M Rainey, A Cunnington and the Clerk Mrs E Tager

District Cllr Butler

1 Members of the public were present

MEMBERS: 11

QUORUM: 4

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.

An agent from Eddisons addressed the Parish Council regarding the planning application for 19 houses on Cross Street. They advised they are addressing the concerns raised by the Parish Council and will be submitting further information to the planning department.

2842/22-23 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: Cllr J Hughes, County Cllr McGuire

28437/22-23 Receive Disclosable Pecuniary Interest declarations

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

Resolved: None

2844/22-23 Approve the minutes of the meetings held on 13th December 2022, Extraordinary meetings on 5th and 23rd January 2023 (LGA 1972 Sch12 para 41(1))

Resolved: It was proposed by Cllr Howell seconded by Cllr Granger and agreed to approve the minutes of 13th December 2022, Extraordinary meetings on 5th and 23rd January 2023

2845/22-23 Matters Arising from the minutes of the meeting of 13th December 2022

- Art in Glass has removed the windows at the front of the village hall for repair
- Cllr Cunnington submitted the application to Cambridgeshire Highways for the Speed indication signs
- New email system set up and running successfully, however this initially effected how the Parish Council website was viewed. This was resolved.
- Letter to sent to the Community Association regarding book shelves

2846/22-23 Matters for information and reports- Representatives on outside bodies

District Cllr Butler advised the Cambridgeshire County Council have agreed a budget increase of 4.9%.

2847/22-23 Village matters

Plan of priorities for the village (includes Community projects and feedback from working group on Church Walk and Haddon Way)

Young Techs update- quotation received

For the four days they can offer: Media, Performing Arts/Dance, Production (Sound/lighting/rigging) Music

They would be happy to use our system for participants to sign up so we can know who is coming along and what their interest is.

To cover the staff, equipment, etc the fee for the four days would be £1,800. Normally our day rate would be £600 but as you are looking at four-day consecutive arrangement, I have included a 25% discount to help with the budget.

Cllr Rainey suggested gaging interest for the course via the community Facebook page or via the Yaxley Gazette. The Clerk will forward the details to Cllr Rainey.

2848/22-23 Cemetery and allotments

- Remedial work update
1st stage of works complete, there were 35 graves that were not filled as not enough soil.
2nd stage of work for remaining graves and levelling near the footpath began 6th February 2023.

Allotments- road access will require some remedial work. The Clerk and Chairman will meet to assess.

2849/22-23 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

2850/22-23 Finance

1. Approve accounts for payment (LGA 1972 s150 (5))

1914/1915	7/2/2023	s/o	Payroll	Wages	£1271.19
1916	7/2/2023	Bacs	Superannuation	Contribution employee and employer	£276.90
1917	7/2/2023	s/o	Clerk	Home Office	£43.33
1918	7/2/2023	Bacs	Clerk	Expenses	£29.00
1919	7/2/2023	Bacs	Mr T Homewood	Expenses	£6.99
1920	7/2/2023	Bacs	Mr Gillam	Expenses	£103.67
1921	7/2/2023	DD	Hunts DC	Business rates	£135.00
1922	7/2/2023	Bacs	Beebys	Village Maintenance	£2940.00
1923	7/2/2023	Bacs	Microshade	Microsoft set up	£201.10
1924	7/2/2023	Bacs	Bidwells	Haddon Way Rent	£240.00
1925	7/2/2023	Bacs	Chadwick Design	Software update and back up	£144.00
1926	7/2/2023	DD	Npower	Street light electricity	£20.52
1927	7/2/2023	Bacs	Hunts	VH Bins	£120.90

Payments made outside the meeting:

1928/1929	23/1/2023 8/1/2023	s/o	Payroll	Wages	£1314.97
1930	23/1/2023	s/o	Clerk	Home Office	£43.33
1931	22/12/2022	Bacs	Beebys	Grass cutting	£3024.00
1934	22/12/2022	Bacs	SJ Ingledew	VH new value	£110.00
1935	6/2/2023	Bac	Superannuation	Contribution employee and employer (5 Months)	£1384.50
1936	17/1/2023	DD	British Gas	VH Electricity	£62.71
1937	18/1/2023	DD	British Gas	Chapel Electricity	£11.85
1938	25/1/2023	DD	British Gas	VH Gas	£109.62

Resolved: It was proposed by Cllr Cunningham seconded by Cllr Howell and agreed to approve the accounts for payment.

2. Financial Update -Budget and VH income

Resolved: Updated budget control sheet circulated and VH Income circulated

3. Pension Rates – amended

Resolved: It was proposed by Cllr Gillam seconded by Cllr Howell and agreed to approve the Pension rate increase of 0.8%.

2851/22-23 Parish Council

- Update regarding purchase of portable speed indicator sign
Cambridgeshire Highways have given permission to install the mobile speed cameras.

The method statements and risk assessment will be checked. Residents near the location points of the signs will be contacted to advise them of the frequency and duration of the signage at each location.

Cllr Cunningham will obtain an updated quotation and will contact Les Middleton to confirm he is happy with the locations.

- King's Coronation Plans

7th May 2023 is the preferred day for events.

Cllr Gillam has spoken to Community Association and are happy to meet to discuss possible plans.

Cllr Gillam has spoken to a few residents who are interested in volunteering their services, however more people needed to make an event a success.

Cllr Gillam suggested a working group of Councillors and residents. Cllr Cunningham and Cllr Howell are happy to help plan.

- VSM update

Resolved: VSM has been updated with documents for the Parish Councillors.

2852/22-23

Correspondence

- Hunts Local Plan update
- Tour of Cambridge 2023 update
- Barclays bank- documents provided under the fraud prevention protocols- ongoing
- PRS- sent through an invoice for a surcharge dating back to December 2021- Clerk liaising
- Email from craft club advising they will not be returning to the hall
- Letter from resident regarding the community café and it was agreed a response would be issued
- Complaint from resident regarding bonfires in the Parish

2853/22-23

Matters as agenda items for future consideration

- Village Walk round- update

2854/22-23

The meeting closed at 9:15pm. The date of next meeting: 7th March 2023