

# FARCET PARISH COUNCIL

## **The Minutes of meeting held 21<sup>st</sup> November 2023 at Farcet Village Hall**

Councillors D Gillam, L Granger, J Hughes, A Cunningham, Cllr Cox and the Clerk Mrs E Tajer  
0 Member 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.

None

### **35/23-24 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:** None

### **36/23-24 Receive Disclosable Pecuniary Interest declarations**

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

**Resolved:** Cllr Granger declared a disclosable pecuniary interest on planning and did not take part in decisions.

### **37/23-24 Budget/Precept Setting for 2023/2024**

The Parish Council discussed at length, the potential spend for the Parish Council, including Cemetery (grass cutting/maintenance)/ allotments/ grass cutting/ insurance/etc and how these could be reduced, as well as the potential income for the Parish Council.

Based on the figures:

The Predicted Income: £19,020.00

Predicted expenditure: £78,939.00

The precept *should* be £59,919.00

However, it was proposed by Cllr Granger, seconded by Cllr Cunningham and agreed a precept of £52,000, which would mean £7919.00 of the Parish Council reserve would be used to cover the shortfall.

### **38/23-24 Planning**

23/01768/FUL- Agricultural Buildings Bedford Barn Farm Conquest Drove, RETROSPECTIVE Change of use from agricultural field to dog training facility- It was proposed by Cllr Cox, seconded by Cllr Hughes and agreed recommend approval however would like to raise the following concerns:

Hours of operation – would there be lighting as the hours of operation from 7am to 10pm

Concerns over waste disposal from the porta toilets and the dog waste.

**39/23-24 The meeting closed at 9:15pm.**