

**EAST FARDON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING AT THE VILLAGE HALL**

**WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> FEBRUARY 2017 COMMENCING AT 7.30 PM**

**PRESENT:** Mr. R Burton, Mrs. J Cooper, Dr. C Crifo, Mr. R Green, Mr. I Langley and Mr. R West  
Mrs. R Warne (Clerk to the Parish Council)

**OTHER RESIDENTS IN ATTENDANCE – 2**

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**56. Apologies for Absence**

All Councillors Present

**57. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations**

There were no Declarations of Interest

**58. Co-option of Councillor**

Dr. Carla Crifo was Co-opted as a Parish Councillor on a proposition by Councillor Green, seconded by Councillor Burton and with all Councillors in agreement.

**59. Approval of the Minutes of meeting dated 16<sup>th</sup> November 2016**

The Minutes of the above meetings were agreed by all Councillors

**60. Matters Arising**

1. See attached appendix L for matters arising from November meeting – updates
2. See attached appendix A/17 for matters arising from February meeting

**61. Public Participation**

Residents in attendance were concerned about the parking on The Lealands. Councillor Green provided an overview of the parking situation and following discussions it was agreed that he would speak to the owner of the van which is causing some of the ongoing problems and to work towards a solution. Whilst discussing this Councillor Green advised that additional works need to be undertaken on the roadside at The Lealands and it was agreed that Councillor Green would look into costings.

**62. Road and Transport**

Reported that all drain in the village are blocked and full of debris especially at the Market Harborough boundary – Clerk to report to Highways

**63. Planning and Development**

**Applications approved**

- **DA/2016/0961** – single storey rear extension at Jackdaw Cottage, Main Street, East Farndon
  - **Da/2016/0827** – Conversion of annexe to separate dwelling including new porch at Farndon Cottage at Farndon Grange, Marston Lane, East Farndon
  - **DA/2016/1070** – Demolition of existing dwelling and construction of replacement dwelling, detached garage and landscaping at Robin Hill, 2 Clipston Road, East Farndon
  - **Da/2016/0658** – Change of use from Highways to residential land at Redbrick Cottage, Main Street, East Farndon
  - **DA/2016/0828** – Demolition of existing garages and construction of two, two bedroom, semi detached dwellings at land to rear of 2 & 3 Harborough Road, East Farndon
- Application Withdrawn - DA/2016/0991** – Removal of hedgerow at land at East Farndon

#### 64. Other Matters

- **Footpath Report** – None
- **Burial Ground Maintenance Committee** – None
- **Neighbourhood Watch** – None
- **Proposed closure of Churchyard – St Johns the Baptist Church** – Councillor Green to look into providing the Parish Council with an estimate of the insurance costs currently being paid by the Church for the upkeep of the Churchyard to enable the Parish Council to make an informed decision regarding their future commitment should the decision be made for the Parish Council to adopt the Churchyard.
- **Proposal for the Clerk to be provided with a set of village hall keys** – Councillors agreed that this would be a good idea and Councillor Green to speak to the Village Hall Committee

#### 65. Finance

##### 65.1 The following payments were agreed by all Councillors

PAYEE	REASON	AMOUNT £	CHEQUE NUMBER
Mrs R Warne	Clerk salary January and February and expenses	£308.29	707
Mrs R Warne	Clerk salary March	£132.86	708
K Bale	Mowing churchyard and burial ground (Clerk to invoice Church for third of this invoice as agreed)	£1520.00	709
EON	Electricity charges	£151.61	710
EON	Lighting maintenance	£72.71	711
A Langley	Refund of website domain	£29.99	712

##### 65.2 To review budget 2016/2017 and to consider Precept for the Financial Year 2017/2018

Councillors considered the budget and following in depth discussions Councillors agreed a Precept for the Financial Year 2017/2018 of £8500.00

#### 66. Correspondence

- Countryside Guide
- NCALC update
- Clerk and Councils Direct
- NCC – Enhancement Gangs programme for 2017 – Councillor Green to undertake the completion of the form and requests
- Letter from Stowe IX Churches Parish Council regarding their concerns about planning application submitted to DDC – request received for Parish Councils to share any concerns they have – Councillors discussed and agreed Clerk can share information
- Letter from Citizens Advice Bureau requesting a donation – Councillors considered this and agreed not to donate

#### 67. Communications Plan

Councillor Burton has undertaken the role of Communications Councillor and submitted a document outlining the plan. Councillors considered this document and approved its contents.

It was agreed that at the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council in May that Councillors would look at each taking on a particular role/portfolio

**68. Any Other Business**

Councillor Langley gave advanced notice that at the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council in May he will be resigning as both a Parish Councillor and Chairman

**69. Date of the next meeting**

**Next Main Meeting will be held on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> April** – This meeting will be Annual Meeting of the Parish

**Next Provisional meeting dates** are 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2017 and 29<sup>th</sup> March 2017

**55. Closure**

The meeting closed at 8.20PM

**Signed that the Minutes are a true and accurate record**

**Chairman** \_\_\_\_\_

**Dated** \_\_\_\_\_