

## **FARRINGDON PARISH COUNCIL**

THE MINUTES OF FARRINGDON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD

WEDNESDAY 12 January 2011 IN THE VILLAGE HALL

*7.30pm- 7.45pm Public Speaking 7.45pm Chair opened PC meeting and wished everyone a Happy New Year*

### **1. Attendees**

Chair J Smith, Cllr A Pearce Cllr J Hutchings Cllr S Willatt Cllr I Kendall-Torry Parish Clerk A Sayers

There were several members of the public present

### **2. Apologies of Absence**

District Cllr Bob Peachey

### **3. Declaration of Interest in items on Agenda**

None

### **4. Questions from the Public**

Concern was raised regarding the appalling state of Parsonage Lane. A request was made for a drain to Parsonage Lane. The comment was made that there is a spring under the road which together with the surface water running off the fields onto the lane creates the continual waterlogging that occurs. This is the only route for Parishioners to walk to the bus stops on the A3052. The view of parishioners is that there is no point in re surfacing the lane until a proper drain is inserted. The PC will contact the Highways Area East again but all parishioners are encouraged to write in also. Suggestions were given for an advert to be put on the website requesting parishioners to write directly to the Highways and giving contact details.

*Cllr I Kendall-Torry joined the meeting at 7.55pm*

### **5. Reports**

- Police Report - *chair read aloud-Police Report for period 02/12/10 – 01/01/11 1. On 7/12/10 a theft occurred at Greendale Farm shop when an ornamental 4 bladed brass motor boat propeller was stolen. Enquiries with local scrap metal outlets to locate the item ongoing. KE/10/3099.*
- County Councillor none given
- District Councillor District Cllr B Peachey – none given
- FRA /Parish Plan Report none given
- Crealy Liason Meeting – *Cllr A Pearce advised that Crealy were looking at acquiring a "zoo" of 10 new types of animals. All but 1 would be kept indoors. Skunks and Meerkats would be on loan from other zoos who would also give technical advice. There is also to be a big*

*rock concert on Saturday 13/08/10 "Crealy Rocks". They are also investigating a solar farm.*

**6. Report from the Chair**

Chair J Smith advised that due to personal circumstances he will not be able to fulfill as many commitments as previously. It was agreed that the Exeter International Airport Consultative Meetings should be shared amongst the council for the time being. The clerk offered to represent the PC at the next meeting on February 9<sup>th</sup>. The Chair also raised the concern regarding the soil report at Hill Barton being converted into waste sludge and its dispersal. He requested Cllr A Pearce to have a look at this issue. It does not appear to have been discussed at Hill Barton Liason Meetings. Chair JS also advised that he would copy the PC in on the February Meeting of the DALC sub group of smaller councils.

**7. To confirm the minutes of the PC meeting**

The PC confirmed the minutes 14/12/10 and chair signed them off.

**8. Planning**

**a.** 10/2486/VAR Applicant Mr R Feast Lyngrove Brackendown West Hill, Ottery St Mary, EX11 1NT. Location: Hill Pond, Clyst St Mary EX5 1DP  
Proposal: Removal of conditions 2 and 3 of planning permission 90/P0794 to allow permanent use of holiday accommodation. *The PC was supplied limited information with this, It was agreed that councilors should investigate and providing nothing untoward is discovered would have no objections to holiday let accommodation.*

**9. Parish Council Matters**

Cllr J Hutchings advised that he had checked the grit bin at Woods Cross and confirmed it was full. The clerk raised the matter of the housing survey that needs to be implemented and that forms had been received for this purpose. The PC agreed that this was in effect an update of the Parish Plan and would fund the cost of stamped addressed envelopes. Approximately £48 is to be allocated for stamps. The clerk is to contact the Flyer Team and see if it is possible for the forms plus s.a.e.'s could be distributed with the next Flyer.

**10. Finance**

**a.** HSBC Statements for both accounts- *Clerk showed statements to PC . PC confirmed statement balances*

*Account 91401416 3/12/10-2/01/11 Balance £1004.31p*

*Account 92346818 2/12/10-1/01/11 Balance £3826.85p*

**b.** *The Precept for 2011/2012 was discussed. It was agreed to give a donation to the village Hall of £150 and a donation to the church for the*

*upkeep of the churchyard of £300. The precept will be kept the same as before at £3625.00p. However, the chair pointed out that in the event of the new Localism Bill it was very unclear what resources will be needed by parish councils. Therefore it was agreed that a proviso should be included with the precept stating that " the precept for 2011/2012 was agreed on the assumption that the PC does not take on any additional responsibilities or costs under the new Localism Bill".*  
*The clerk is to investigate the purchase of a new noticeboard ideally to be placed on the village hall. Clerk is to confer with the VH committee..*

*Cllr I Kendall-Torry left at 9.20pm*

**11. Correspondence** –*none to be circulated*

**12. Matters Arising** – *none*

**13. Items at Chairman's Discretion-** *none*

**14. It was confirmed that the next meeting will be on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2011**

*Meeting closed at 9.30pm*

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