

# FARRINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

Chairperson: Mr Clive Elderton

Clerk: Allison Spyer

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## MINUTES OF MEETING

Held in East Tisted Village Hall, Gosport Road, East Tisted, GU34 3QW

Wednesday, 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2016 at 7.45pm.

### Present:

Parish Councillors	Clerk	District & County Councillors	Others
Clive Elderton, Chair Susan Anderton, Vice Chair Terry Cubitt Peter Durrant Gary Oakley David Williams	Allison Spyer		2 Members of the public

**ACTION  
FOR**

### 16/16 Apologies & Welcome:

Apologies sent from Nick Newens. Bob Chase is currently on leave due to health reasons. Richard Jarvis has tendered his resignation. The council offered their thanks to Richard for all his work whilst a council member

### 17/16 Minutes Resolved:

That the minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on January 6<sup>th</sup> 2016 were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record of events.

### 18/16 Petitions, Statements/ questions from members of the public:

One member of the public asked about the Clean for Queen scheme and whether this could be an on-going initiative annually (or more often) as parts of the Village are more prone to fly-tipping or rubbish thrown from cars - eg Brightstone Lane, certain footpaths and A32. The PC were in agreement that this could only be a good thing.

### 19/16 Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and Non Pecuniary Interests:

None were declared.

### 20/16 Responsible Financial Officer:

Financial Statement: AS presented the following financial statement as at January 2016:

Jan 2016	Balances B/F	
	Treasurers Acc, inc Shirnal Maintenance (stmt 71)	£54,855.70
	Business Access, Contingency & MF sale (stmt 47)	£28,332.40
	Treasurers Account, Community Benefit Deed (stmt 1)	£25,000.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£108,188.10</b>

### Receipts:

Credit	Interest (Dec & Jan)	£2.44
	EHDC District Cllr Grant	£1000.00

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The following payments have been made since the last meeting in November:

## Invoices Paid:

19.1.2016	Allison Spyer, Jan Salary	£427.27
19.1.2016	Emma Dilnutt, Gratuity	£150.00
25.1.2016	Edwin Macknemara, Final Salary	£118.24
22.2.2016	Allison Spyer. Feb Salary	£427.07
22.2.2016	Farringdon Parochial Church, Tree Works	£1050.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£2172.58</b>

The following requests for payment approval were submitted:

	Allison Spyer, expenses	£21.13
	Hampshire Woodlands Ltd	£816.00
	Web Directions, website hosting	£84.00
	Web Directions, website training for A Spyer	£60.00
	<b>Total</b>	<b>£981.13</b>

DW proposed the payments and SA seconded that all payments be approved. Carried unanimously.

## 21/16 Natural Environment, (Including paths; ditch clearance and trees), Cllrs. Williams and Cubitt:

**Shirnal Meadow** - R&G Fencing Contractors has been selected to replace the fencing adjacent to Shirnal Meadow as their quote was the lowest of five sought by the PC. Councillor Williams had met the contractors on site and was confident that R&G will be a good choice. DW to contact R&G requesting work starts as soon as possible. R&G will also be asked to amend their quote to include replacing the fence behind the telephone box. AS to write to the other contractors declining their offers.

DW/AS

**Noticeboards** - Harry Stebbings has been selected to provide and install a new PC Notice Board adjacent to the former BT phone box at the Gosport Road/Shirnal Hill junction. Thanks were expressed to our EHDC for a grant which will largely offset the cost of the work. The existing wall mounted board will be removed. Concurrently a notice board would be placed at the entrance to Parsonage Close to replace that outside Massey's Folly. AS to order the new notice board.

AS

**Flood action group - CE & DW met with representatives from HCC and EHDC.** They advised that while water levels were receding it will be wise to install an emergency plan for the village. In the meantime HCC has raised the works order for sandbags. DW reported he had a walk around with EHDC and showed them Chawton ditches, however the opinion of the EHDC rep was that there is no money currently in the budget for ditch clearing and therefore responsibility must fall to the landowners regardless of being adjacent to major or minor roads.

**Flood contingency** - CE reported that various contingency measures have been taken to better prepare Farringdon in the event of local flooding and concurrently an initial draft of the Farringdon Emergency Plan has been completed.

CE/DW

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## 22/16 Planning, (Including the built environment and housing) - Cllr. Chase:

The planning committee have met to discuss the following applications since the meeting in November.

- SDNP/15/06113/HOUS, Eastview Gardens 10 Crows Lane Farringdon Alton GU34 3ED. Two storey and single storey rear extension and single storey front extension  
**No Objection but with comments**
- SDNP/16/00549/FUL, Old Barn House, Crows Lane, Farringdon. Detached self-contained annex following demolition of outbuilding  
**No Objection**

## 23/16 Village Hall, (including Community Issues) - Cllr. Durrant and Cllr. Oakley:

**Village Hall Charity AGM** - PD reported that since the AGM several areas of land have been highlighted as potential sites for a future Village Hall. He advised that David Horton is keen to continue running the VHMC accounts and this was deemed a good idea although the accounts will have to be monitored by the Parish Council. The first meeting of the working party will happen soon (no date set yet), in the meantime PD & GO will visit other local Village Halls and put together a template for Farringdon.

**PD/GO**

**Dissolution of VHMC** - Dissolution of the Village Hall Management Committee was proposed by GO, seconded by TC with unanimous agreement from the rest of the Council.

## 24/16 Crime & Safety, (inc Neighbourhood Watch, excluding Road Safety) Cllr. Elderton:

Nothing to report

## 25/16 Traffic & Transport, (Including Road Safety) - Cllr - TBC

**Vehicle activated signs** - RJ has resigned from the council. In the interim CE has been trying ascertain costs but with little success. The full council agreed it would be best to put this initiative on the back burner for now.

## 26/16 Energy, Cllr. Anderton:

Nothing to report

## 27/16 Business Matters, Cllr. Newens:

Nothing to report

## 28/16 Communications: The Key Messages arising from the meeting were agreed.

- A contractor has been selected to replace fencing adjacent to Shirnall Meadow and funding was agreed to enable work to start as soon as possible.
- A contractor has been selected to provide and install a new PC Notice Board adjacent to the former BT Phone Box at the Gosport Road/Shirnall Hill junction. Thanks were expressed to our EHDC for a grant to largely offset the cost of the work. The existing wall mounted board would be removed. Concurrently a notice board would be placed at the entrance to Parsonage Close to replace that outside Massey's Folly.
- Various contingency measures have been taken to better prepare Farringdon in the event of local flooding and concurrently an initial draft of the Farringdon Emergency Plan has been completed.
- The Parish Council would welcome expressions of interest (by email or personal contact to any Councillor or the clerk) from those who may be interested in joining the Council to fill a vacancy.

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- At Annual Village Meeting to be held in the Church on 6th April the focus will be to gain community support and ideas for a new Village Hall. In addition those attending will receive an update on the work of the A32 Flood Action Group and the Parish Council. All are most welcome and refreshments will be served.

**29/16 Date of Next Meeting:**

Wednesday 6<sup>th</sup> April and will take place in the Church at 7.30pm

**30/16 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION:**

Allison Spyer, Monday, 25 April 2016

Signed as a correct record of events:

Clive Elderton - Chairman

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