

**Meeting of the Farringdon Parish Council: Cllr Maughan - Chair, Cllr Clegg – Vice-Chair, Cllr Gilchrist, Cllr Causton, Cllr Doherty, Cllr Prynne, and Cllr Williams**

You are hereby summoned to a meeting of Farringdon Parish Council  
**to be held on Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2024 commencing at 7:00pm**  
**at The Royal Oak Function Room, Gosport Road, Farringdon, GU34 3DJ**

**Agenda**

**Please note alcohol cannot be brought in or consumed at this meeting**

*We welcome our new Parish Clerk, Mrs. Debbie Batley who came into post on the 1<sup>st</sup> of September 2024.*

**65/24 - To receive and approve apologies for absence.**

**66/24 - To receive and approve disclosable pecuniary interests and non-pecuniary interests from the Clerk. Local government act 1972 s117.**

**67/24 - To receive and approve dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests from the Councillors. (S33 of the Localism Act 2011).**

**68/24 - To receive resolution to suspend standing orders to allow public question time.**

**Public Question Time**

**69/24 - To receive resolution to resume standing orders.**

**70/24 - To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting from the 9<sup>th</sup> July 2024 and the Emergency Parish Council Meeting held on the 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2024 (a copy of which has been circulated to all Councillors prior to this meeting).**

**71/24 - Reports and Issues**

1. Update on Crows Lane Verge Project (adjacent to Westview) (Cllr Maughan)
2. Update on Crows Lane Drainage (Cllr Maughan)
3. Update on Gaston Lane (Caker Bridge closure) (Cllr Maughan)
4. Update on Maintenance of Phone Boxes and Notice Boards (Cllr Maughan).
5. Update on Defib's Alert System (Cllr Maughan)
6. Update Lych Gate Track (Cllr Maughan)
7. Update on East Hants 'Government consultation proposes massive hike to housing numbers' consultation (Cllr Maughan)

**72/24 - Finance Update.**

<b>FARRINGDON PARISH COUNCIL</b>			
<b>Cheques drawn from 27 June 2024 - current account</b>			
	Estimated balance b/fwd 30.6.2024		<b>111,656.83</b>
Date	Detail	Amount	
9.7.2024	Hampshire CC	250.00	
10.7.2024	IdVerde	673.26	
10.7.2024	D Gilchrist		
	RFO postage/stationery	47.20	
10.7.2024	D Maughan		
	various	34.94	
9.7.2024	EHDC		
	refund CIL Money	13,474.08	
7.8.2024	Scribe	414.72	
7.8.2024	Mill Farm	41.40	
7.8.2024	D Maughan		
	noticeboards	95.49	
		<b>15,031.09</b>	
expenditure incurred cheque returned			
	Rocon	17,104.08	
			<b>32,135.17</b>
	Estimated closing balance current account 29.8.2024		<b>79,521.66</b>
	Estimated closing balance account 822		<b>25,815.00</b>
	Estimated closing balance account 814		<b>29,400.00</b>
	TSB		<b>9,670.74</b>
	<b>Total estimated funds</b>		<b>144,407.40</b>

<b>Farringdon Parish Council</b>			
<b>Income and expenditure account for the period</b>			
<b>1 April 2024 to 29 August 2024</b>			
			<b>Annual budget</b>
<b>Income</b>			
Precept		12,500.00	25,000.00
Interest		416.27	1,200.00
		12,916.27	26,200.00
<b>Expenditure</b>			
Clerks salary	3,272.15		13,392.68
PAYE/Nest	226.89		1,140.00
Repairs	170.43		1,500.00
Ground maintenance			5,000.00
Bank charge	13.20	2 months only	120.00
Bins cleaning/replacement	1,106.06		3,600.00
Payroll bureau	186.00		400.00
Meeting expenses	60.00		240.00
HALC fees	826.60		500.00
Defibrilators	302.40		400.00
Insurance	1,289.77		1,200.00
Land registry search	39.90		
Audit	565.00		850.00
Admin expenses	139.81		260.00
IT support			450.00
IT purchases			300.00
Software renewals	1,214.72		900.00
Software purchases			200.00
HCC	250.00		
Licences for speed monitoring			350.00
CIL money refund	13,474.08		-
	23,137.01		30,802.68
<b>Net deficit before capital spend</b>		<b>- 10,220.74</b>	<b>- 4,602.68</b>
From reserves:			
Lych gate	14,253.40	chq returned	-
Village garden	433.74		-
<b>Net deficit at 29.8.2024</b>		<b>- 24,907.88</b>	<b>- 4,602.68</b>
<b>This account has been prepared without up to date Bank statements</b>			

**FARRINGDON PARISH COUNCIL**

**RESERVES AND EARMARKED FUNDS at 29 AUGUST 2024**

	<b>Opening balance</b>			<b>On completion</b>	<b>Closing balance</b>
	<b>1.4.2024</b>	<b>Transfers</b>	<b>Spend</b>	<b>transfer</b>	<b>29.8.2024</b>
<b>CAPITAL</b>					
Lych gate project	25,000.00		14,253.40	- 10,746.60	-
Crows Lane	25,000.00				25,000.00
A32 Road safety	24,500.00				24,500.00
Playground repairs	2,771.05				2,771.05
Playground renewals	19,000.00				19,000.00
Farringdon Village Hall	35,000.00				35,000.00
Emergency flood fund	20,000.00				20,000.00
	<b>151,271.05</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>14,253.40</b>	<b>- 10,746.60</b>	<b>126,271.05</b>
<b>EARMARKED</b>					<b>-</b>
Village signs/Pedestrian sign	5,362.23				5,362.23
Village garden	1,000.00		41.40		958.60
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>157,633.28</b>	<b>-</b>	<b>14,294.80</b>	<b>- 10,746.60</b>	<b>132,591.88</b>
				<b>General fund</b>	<b>11,815.52</b>
				<b>Funds available</b>	<b>144,407.40</b>
<b>General fund should be at twice the precept, ie £50k.</b>					
<b>A decision needs to be made to reduce the allocated reserves so as to increase General Reserve.</b>					

**73/24 - Planning applications.**

**74/24 – Governance.** (Cllr Doherty) Review of all Farringdon Parish Policies.

## **PROPOSALS**

**75/24** - Proposal by Steve Doherty to remove the budget allocation of £25000 for the Crows Lane project

**76/24** - Proposal by Steve Doherty to remove the budget allocation of £24500 for the A32 Road Safety project

**77/24** - Proposal by Steve Doherty to remove the budget allocation of £19000 for the playground equipment

**78/24** - Proposal by Steve Doherty to remove the budget allocation of £35000 for the village hall

**79/24** - Proposal by Steve Doherty to remove the budget allocation of £20000 for the emergency flood fund

**80/24** - Proposal by Cllr Maughan to purchase 2 standard David Austin white 'Tranquillity' rose trees (5-year Guarantee) to mark the 80<sup>th</sup> Anniversary of the end of WW2 at a cost of no more than £150 + VAT (these need to be ordered prior to November meeting). To be planted in the centre of each Memorial Rose Garden. *White to represent end of war and Peace.* (General Fund)

**81/24** - Proposal by Cllr Maughan to accept the quote from Sunshine Gym Outdoor Fitness Equipment to instal an Integr8 Outdoor Gym Multi-Unit in the playing field (at the double gate end /A32 side) – this would be for use by adults and people over 4'7", at a cost of £6,597.00 + VAT. (the full quote including picture has been circulated to Councillors prior to this meeting).( Playground equipment budget)

**82/24** - Proposal by Cllr Maughan to accept the initial fee of £270 to undertake a desk top quotation for changing the Entrance signs (Northern entry ONLY - near Woodside Lane). (Details were circulated to Councillors prior to this meeting).( A32 Road Safety Budget)

**83/24** - Proposal by Cllr Maughan to accept the quotation from GeViews for 2 Self-Watering Scenic Rectangle Planters with Gold Trim (Black) at a cost of £183.37 + VAT each or in an Alternate Colour - £238.38 each + VAT, plus Secure Delivery on Tail Lift Wagon (1 Pallet) - £50.00 + VAT (Details including pictures circulated to Councillors prior to this meeting). (A32 Road Safety)

**84/24** – Proposal by Cllr Maughan to accept the quote from Mr Treehouse to carry out an Annual inspection of the Zip wire in the playground and for this to become a standing annual expenditure without the need to put forward a proposal each year. Cost £500 + VAT (Playground maintenance budget)

**85/24** - Proposal by Cllr Maughan to accept the quote from Ava Recreation for the Annual Playground Inspection (excluding Zip Wire) at a cost £178.50 + VAT and that this becomes a standing annual expenditure without the need to put forward a proposal each year. (Playground maintenance budget)

**86/24** – Proposal by Cllr Maughan to accept the quote from P J Grace reference to the repairs to fencing and the crowning of 5 trees in the MUGA playfield at a total cost of £965.00 +VAT

**87/24** - Proposal by Cllr Maughan to purchase a Seagate External Hard Drive to back up the Parish Council Laptop at a cost of £100.

**88/24** - Proposal by Steve Doherty to apply for and register the domain farringdonpc.gov.uk (or a suitable alternative) at cost of £100 for two years.

#### **89/24 - Environmental Report (Cllr Williams)**

Future Meeting Dates (**now Thursdays**)

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Primary Purpose</b>	
<b>14 November 2024</b>	<b>7.00 pm</b>	<b>Royal Oak Function Room</b>	<b>Full</b>	<b>Council Meeting</b>