

Fenny Compton Parish Council

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting Of Fenny Compton Parish Council Held at Fenny Compton Village Hall, Fenny Compton, Warwickshire On Monday 21st October 2019 At 7.45pm

PRESENT: Parish Councillors: Jon Dutton in the Chair, Derek Carless, Michael Guest, Ian Hartwell Sam Parkes and Alan Payne

IN ATTENDANCE: Four members of the public, Cllr Nigel Rock (SDC) and Parish Clerk Ian Wilson.

1 Apologies

Apologies were received from Roly Whear and Cllr Bob Stevens and were **accepted**.

2 Acceptance of Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Ordinary meeting on 16th September 2019 (already circulated) were considered and the minutes were **agreed**.

3 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4 Requests for Dispensation

There were no requests for dispensation.

5 Open Forum

Two residents from Wharf Road attended the meeting to ask about Parish Council influence over speeding traffic, the residents had noted increased incidents of speeding past the bridge and felt that this was being compounded by increased traffic as a result of the expansion of Jaguar Land Rover. The residents reported that a general consensus through social media that a 60mph speed limit seemed excessive. The meeting discussed these concerns and confirmed that any changes to speed limits and traffic safety were the responsibility of Warwickshire County Council (WCC).

The Chair explained that the Parish Council had originally been opposed to reducing the speed limit here for development reasons, though this was subject to review as further development and planning applications were received and the Parish Council could therefore ask WCC to review. However, there wasn't any traffic calming action that could be taken under the bridge and any other traffic calming measures would need to be funded by the Parish Council unless the Police identified this as an accident black spot. CLLR Rock (Stratford District Council) confirmed that any developer contribution towards traffic calming needed to be included as a condition by planners at the application.

It was **agreed** that the Parish Council would contact both County Highways and the local police to discuss the current situation and inform residents of the outcome.

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6 Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

- (a) Matters Arising – CLLR Rock reported that an enforcement notice to remove the fence had been issued for the property at Brook Street. Officers and the applicant were in discussion to agree a solution so that this doesn't need to go to planning committee. It was noted that there had been over 130 letters from the village in support of the application and that the Parish Council had also raised no objection, making no representation. There were no letters of objection and the application had only got to this stage because enforcement action was in progress. If this application was to go to planning committee this would be on 13th November 2019.
- (b) Reserve Sites – The response from the Parish Council had been submitted to SDC, though the deadline had been extended. The next stage would be for an independent review of the sites identified by SDC and CLLR Rock would report back when this was complete
- (c) Traffic Calming – CLLR Rock had received a response from the local police, though they weren't in a position to provide support until the re-organisation of roads policing was complete.
- (d) Defibrillator – Awaiting a response from the local GP
- (e) Bench on The Slade – There were now two offers to remove and replace and it was suggested that the two residents might work together. The clerk would follow this up.
- (f) Trees – The Tree surgeon would drop the invoice with the Chair
- (g) Playground – Roly Whear would report back on the playground survey at a future meeting
- (h) Grass Cutting – The clerk would look at the latest mowing maps and CLLR Rock had asked Orbit about the areas that were their responsibility
- (i) BT Manhole Cover – BT had been contacted, there wasn't anything more that the Parish Council could do about the noisy manhole cover
- (j) Asbestos – The clerk had sent the advice from SDC to the bowls club

7 Correspondence

The meeting noted the request from a resident to WCC to plant some saplings on Northend Road.

SDC were currently consulting about charging for collecting green waste from the start of 2019/20. The consultation was due to close on 19th November 2019. It was **agreed** to publish a link to the consultation for residents on the Parish Council website.

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Noted consultation on phone boxes from British Telecom, who were looking to close the box in Fenny Compton. It was **agreed** that the Parish Council would not respond to this consultation.

8 Planning

The meeting agreed the following responses to planning applications

Tree Application 19/02808/TREE/ Contone House , Bridge Street, Fenny Compton, CV47 2XY. T1 Sycamore – Fell. G1 – Fell. No representation from the Parish Council as these trees needed to be removed to prevent further subsidence

The meeting noted the update on Brook Street boundary application provided by CLLR Rock (see matters arising) and that there were no further decisions received since the last Parish Council meeting

9 Reports from WCC and SDC representatives

CLLR Stevens had sent a report (attached). The meeting noted the on-going government review of HS2, though work was still continuing.

CLLR Rock referred to traffic issues identified at Wharf Road (open forum), the enforcement action at Brook Street (matters arising) and the Green Waste charging consultation (correspondence). He also reported that SDC were planning to work with neighbouring local authorities to build a new plant in Coventry to dispose of 'dry waste', the contribution from SDC was likely to be in the region of £5m. SDC were also reviewing polling stations in the District in anticipation of a forthcoming general election. CLLR Rock confirmed that Neighbourhood Planning should consider the character of the development compared to the rest of the village. Detailed report attached.

10 Financial Administration

Agreed the bank balances, bank reconciliations (see appendix A) and the following payments

21/10/2019 E-ON (October Streetlights)	£ 215.14
21/10/2019 Water Plus (Playing Field)	£ 19.24
21/10/2019 Frank Mann (Grass Cutting 9/2019)	£ 334,80
21/10/2019 Mick Jones (Handyman)	£ 560.00
21/10/2019 Ian Wilson (Salary and Expenses 9/2019)	£ 176.02
Total	£1305.20

11 Updates

Flood Prevention – Alan Payne referred councillors to the Aqueous report

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circulated ahead of the meeting (attached). The meeting noted the major maintenance at the confluence of the two streams, the planned visit to look at flood prevention work in Shipston-on-Stour and the survey work planned as part of the next submission to the Environment Agency

Playing Field/Play Equipment – Ian Hartwell reported the result of the assessment of the cable ride and it was **agreed** that three quotes should be obtained to replace this. He also reported an issue of dog fouling, which would be reviewed. The meeting discussed the garages by the playing field, which had broken doors, and it was **agreed** that Ian Hartwell would look at what they were currently being used for so that the Parish Council might in future consider whether these were still needed.

It was noted that Severn Trent would charge £9,000 just to examine putting an access road to the sports field. It was also **agreed** to consider the issue of parking by the sports field at a future meeting.

Neighbourhood Plan – This had been endorsed in principle and the Chair had signed the letter to register the playing field as a green spec. The Neighbourhood Plan Group were now waiting for comments from SDC, then a six week consultation period would be undertaken. The plan was now being tidied up ahead of the consultation, arrangements for which were being finalised.

Allotments – Outstanding actions to register leases and establish maintenance arrangements

Highways – It was **agreed** to contact WCC Highways to discuss arrangements to clear the path by the Wharf and arrangements for replacing the bench.

Streetlighting – The new light on Dog Lane is now working as are all other street lights. The meeting noted that two streetlights would need replacing in 2020/21. There had also been some complaints about the light from the new cash machine outside the shop. However, it was noted that the cash machine was now on a timer.

GDPR – A toolkit for Parish Councils was being produced by the Information Commissioner's Office. The annual registration fee of £40 would be due at the next meeting

Traffic Calming – The Chair had contacted WCC regarding the proposals for double yellow lines on Brook Street and a one way system by the school. The suggestions for better signage to prevent HGVs accessing Church Street were also discussed. It was noted that WCC would charge the Parish Council £500 to carry out an assessment of any traffic calming measures and then any work would need to be funded by the Parish Council. It was noted that there were currently £2635 allocated in reserves for traffic calming. It was **agreed** to consider traffic calming as part of the 2020/21 budget setting process.

12 Items to Publicise

Green Waste bin collection charging consultation

13 Future Discussion

November meeting to discuss initial budget for 2020/21

14 Date of next meeting

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The next meeting is an Ordinary Meeting scheduled for Monday 18th November 2019 at 7.45pm at Fenny Compton Village Hall.

MEETING CLOSED 21:15

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Appendix A

Financial Administration

October Financial Administration

Balances: (See attached bank reconciliation)

30 day notice (Commuted on deposit)		£ 910.27
12 month partial withdrawal (High interest deposit):		
Cotters Croft £9051.51		
PC Balance £ 948.49		
		£10000
Deposit	£23962.88	
Traffic Mgt	£ 2635.82	
Flood Relief Grant	£ 2510.00	
WCC Flood Attenuation Grant	£ 1133.76	
Over 8's Play Area	£ 604.23	
NP Plan Projects	£ 1449.43	
Defibrillator	£ 2617.26	
WCC Violin Grant	£ 0.00	
Deposit Account		£34913.38
Transfer to current account		(£2000.00)
Current Account	£ 689.62	
Transfer from deposit account	£2000.00	
Less payments (see agenda)	(£1305.20)	
		£ 1384.42
Total Balances carried forward at 21/10/2019		£45208.07

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October Bank Reconciliation

Bank Balances

30 Day Notice	£ 910.27		
12 Month Partial Withdrawal	£10000.00		
Deposit Account	£34913.38		
Current Account	£2162.52		
Less unpresented cheques:			
2235 WCC Pension Fund	(£195.70)		
2238 MW Jones	(£1040.00)		
2230 H Birkbeck (NP Expenses)	(£237.20)		
		£689.62	
Total Bank			£46513.27
Cash book balance b/f	£39369.96		
Less payments since last meeting	(£ 4897.89)		
Add receipts since last meeting	£12041.20		
Total Cash book			£46513.27

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