Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting Of Fenny Compton Parish Council Held at Fenny Compton Village Hall, Fenny Compton, Warwickshire On Monday 16<sup>th</sup> September 2019 At 7.45pm

**PRESENT:** Parish Councillors: Jon Dutton in the Chair, Derek Carless, Sam Parkes, Roly Whear, Ian Hartwell,

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Three members of the public, Cllr Bob Stevens (WCC), Cllr Nigel Rock (SDC) and Parish Clerk Lisa Andersson/Ian Wilson.

1 <u>Apologies</u>

Apologies were received from Michael Guest and Alan Payne and were **accepted**.

2 Acceptance of Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Ordinary meeting on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2019 (already circulated) were considered and the minutes were **agreed**.

3 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

4 <u>Requests for Dispensation</u>

There were no requests for dispensation.

5 Open Forum

A resident and member of the Merrie Lion public house luncheon club asked the Parish Council for support and permission to put up a bench by the war memorial in honour of a recently departed resident and member of the club, who was an exserviceman. The Parish Council **agreed** to support this request and the clerk would enquire with County Highways the permissions required.

A resident (Mr Hilary Birkbeck) had emailed Parish Councillors with a map outlining a suggested traffic calming solutions by the local school and one way down the High St. Two schemes were suggested and the meeting discussed the proposals and support within the village. It was noted that the Neighbourhood Plan survey had identified traffic calming and speeding as issues, Derek Careless was responsible for traffic calming on behalf of the Parish Council. It was **agreed** that the resident would look at further consultation with Stratford District Council (SDC) and the Parish Council could then consider whether to put forward a scheme to Warwickshire County Council (WCC).

### 6 Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

- (a) Open Forum SDC have spoken with the applicant at Brook Street and explained of retrospective permission is refused there will be enforcement action. SDC planners are supporting the application to put in a fence instead of a wall and the Parish Council have agreed no representation
- (b) Reserve Sites SDC site allocations plan has been circulated and informally discussed. The Parish Council doesn't support any further development and agreed to raise that the evaluation criteria used by SDC doesn't take account of

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> the Neighbourhood Plan. It was noted that a resident had raised questions over the reserve site identified in the village and this response had been circulated to Parish Councillors, who agreed to include this with their response. It was **agreed** that the Parish Council would respond accordingly to SDC by the consultation deadline of 20<sup>th</sup> September 2019

- (c) Traffic and speeding No response received from County Council or Police. Suggested to contact Police and Crime Commissioner.
- (d) Rural Crime Forum The meeting noted councillors had attended and would be interested to see actions arising
- (e) Defibrillator Grant received and liaison with local GPs now taking place
- (f) Bench on The Slade The Council were awaiting an update on the offer to remove
- (g) Trees The Council were awaiting the invoice from the tree surgeon
- (h) Slade Green Now complete
- (i) Playground There did not appear to have been obvious defect in the cast which had broken from the swing, a replacement would cost £3400. ROSPA inspection of the play area is due later in September and further quotes would be sought to establish the best cost for replacing the cast.0
- (j) Parking at CO-OP Agreed that this had been covered as part of the traffic calming discussion earlier
- (k) Grass Cutting Orbit have cut the grass, the parish mowing maps would be reviewed to determine which grass cutting is Orbit responsibility and which is Parish Council responsibility.

#### 7 <u>Correspondence</u>

The meeting discussed the damage caused as a result of an HGV accessing Church Lane and ignoring the warning signs. The Chair would email WCC Highways to enquire as to what further action could be carried out.

It was noted that the clerk had contacted BT regarding the manhole cover as the noise was not a highways issue. It was suggested that this could be an issue for SDC environmental health team.

The clerk would forward the advice from SDC on asbestos to the bowls club.

#### 8 <u>Planning</u>

The meeting agreed the following responses to planning applications

Application(s) reference: 19/02390/LBC: Alterations to rear elevation to change doors and windows. Meadow Barn, Avon Dassett Road. No representation

Application(s) reference: 19/01873/FUL: Proposed ramped access and steps to front door, to provide wheelchair access to existing residential property. 1 Cotters Croft. No representation.

Application(s) Reference: 19/01986/FUL: Minor external alterations comprising some replacement windows, creation of two cat slide dormers to replace flat roof dormers, replacement of external plastic downpipes and gutters etc. with

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> black aluminium, raise chimney stacks to same height with blue brick coping. Replace boxed eaves. School Hill Farm House, Church Street. No representation.

Application(s) Reference: 19/01947/FUL: Construction of a Hornton Stone Garden Screen in keeping with the house and wall and surrounding boundary enclosure types. Hornbeam House, 1 Brook Street. No representation.

The meeting noted updates and decisions received since the last Parish Council meeting

#### 9 Reports from WCC and SDC representatives

CLLR Stevens had circulated a report prior to the meeting. The main issue highlighted was continuing uncertainty due to Brexit. It was noted the County Councillors Community Grant had now re opened and further grant funding opportunities from HS2 and CEMEX.

CLLR Rock reported that SDC had passed a climate change emergency and was now reviewing actions with partners and communities. SDC would also be allocating an officer to deal with the likely effects of a no deal Brexit. It was noted that rural crime and site allocations plan from SDC had already been discussed at the meeting

10 External Audit

Noted that this was now complete

#### 11 Financial Administration

Agreed the bank balances, bank reconciliations and the following payments

15/09/19	E.On: Street Light Electricity	£ 222.31
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15/09/19	Lisa Andersson: Clerk's Expenses	Await Invoice
15/09/19	M.W. Jones: Landscape Maintenance	£ 1040.00
15/09/19	Frank Mann Farmers: Mowing - July	£ 534.00
15/09/19	Frank Mann Farmers: Mowing - August	Await Invoice
15/09/19	Water Plus Payments: Pavilion Water	Await Invoice
15/09/19	WCC Pension Fund: Pension Contribution	£ 97.85
15/09/19	Utility Warehouse: Pavilion Elec - August	£ 6.89
15/09/19	WCC: Street Lighting Repair Inv. 10240317	£ 294.13
15/09/19	SDC: Bowling Club Recycling Bin	£ 54.00
15/09/19	Utility Warehouse: Pavilion Elec	Await Invoice
15/09/19	Lisa Andersson: Use of Clerks Home Apr-Sept	£ 100.00
S/O	Staff Salary	£ 313.47

12 Updates

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Flood Prevention – Nothing to report

Playing Field – Further clarification being sought as to who owned the land with the ditches. Dog waste bins were Parish Council responsibility and the lid needed replacing. Noted that Sever Trent were quoting around £9,000 to look at access rights to the field, which a sports pavilion/café would be contingent on

Allotments – Water meter now fitted and application now needed to land registry for the leases, which the Chair would follow up.

Neighbourhood Plan – The latest draft had already been circulated to Councillors, the draft could not go to consultation until it had been ratified by the Parish Council. It was **agreed** that the Parish Council would ratify in principle and Parish Councillors could suggest further additions or amendments by 23<sup>rd</sup> September 2019 at the latest.

The next step would be to produce a draft plan for publication, including on the Parish Council website, which would go out for a six week consultation period. Once the plan was agreed by SDC and Planning Inspectors it would be subject to a village referendum and if agreed by a simple majority would be formally adopted

The Neighbourhood Planning Group had written a draft letter to WCC to register the school playing field as an open space and it was **agreed** that the Parish Council Chair would sign this.

It was noted that £1450 remained in the Parish Council budget for neighbourhood planning and it was anticipated that this would be spent by completion.

Highways - Any further double yellow lines would have to be requested formally through WCC Highways. A response was awaited

Steetlighting – Broken lights now fixed. Others would be inspected to see if any further repairs were needed

GDPR - to be followed up

Risk Assessment – Chair has reviewed pavilion. It was noted that the notice boards may need replacing and the Clerk would contact the handyman.

13 Clerk Vacancy

Noted Ian Wilson appointed as clerk with effect from this meeting. Lisa Andersson was thanked for all her hardwork

14 <u>Future Discussion</u>

November meeting to discuss initial budget for 2020/21

15 Date of next meeting

The next meeting is an Ordinary Meeting scheduled for Monday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2019 at 7.45pm at Fenny Compton Village Hall.

### MEETING CLOSED 21:35

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