

**MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON THE 13 DECEMBER 2016**

MEMBERSHIP:

Cllr J. Sanford – Chair
Cllr M. Dudley – Deputy Chair
Cllr S. Boulton
Cllr J. Bowen
Cllr J. Dallow
Cllr A. Doherty

Cllr R. Harrison
Cllr. J. Hill
Cllr T. Hing
Cllr D. McKinley
Cllr C. Roberts
Cllr. R. Winney

In Attendance: Vanessa Lawrence (Clerk), District Cllrs. Coakley, Beccle and Andrews (part), County Cllr. R. Theodoulou (part)

- 204 16/17 Apologies for absence**
Cllrs. Winney and McKinley
- 205 16/17 Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda**
None
- 206 16/17 To approve the Minutes of Full Council meeting held on the 8th November 2016.**
It was **RESOLVED** to approve the Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on the 8th November as a true and accurate record of the proceedings. Proposed Cllr. Boulton, seconded Cllr Dallow – all in favour.
- 207 16/17 Matters arising**
CCTV - London Street – The Clerk reported that the contractors have visited the site and have chosen the position for the CCTV camera, which will cover the shops on London Street, i.e. from the hairdressers to the Chinese takeaway. Work cannot commence until Londis have completed the works to the shop to install an ATM. An office has been made available in Londis to house the CCTV recording equipment.
Phone Box adoption - The Clerk reported that following our request to adopt two phoneboxes, one in the High Street and the other in Milton Street. CDC have advised that they have asked BT to maintain the phonebox in the High Street as it continues to be used. They have agreed to put forward our request for adoption of the phonebox in Milton Street and have also asked that the phonebox in Queensfield remains. Further information will follow in the New Year.

County Cllr. Theodoulou arrived.

As no members of the public are present the following two items are not required

- 208 16/17 To agree to adjourn the meeting for Public Participation subject to members of the public being present. – there is a 10-minute time limit**
- 209 16/17 To agree to reconvene the meeting following Public Participation (if applicable)**

210 16/17 Chairman's Announcements

None

211 16/17 To receive report from District Cllrs**District Cllr. Coakley reported as follows:**

- **Finances** - Consultation on Finances for 2017/18, including the budget, currently taking place.
- **Local Plan** – Further consultation on Local Plan to be carried out as a result of changes requested by Historic England and Thames Water. The consultation will only relate to the amendments and will run for 6 weeks commencing January 2017.
- **Fairford's Neighbourhood Plan** – This is currently with the Leader, who will be contacting the Council shortly.

212 16/17 To receive report from County Cllr Theodoulou**County Cllr. Theodoulou reported as follows:**

- **Cabinet meeting** – Proposed budget for 2017/18. There will be £11 million less than last year, available – Last year's budget £408 million reduced to £397 million. Savings required £35 million to cover new investment and unavoidable cost increases of £25 million. Council Tax will increase by 1.99%. The largest budget requirement is for adult and child care, which equates to 55% of the total budget. The budget for roads has been protected. A difficult year is foreseen.

Q: Cllr Roberts asked if we have sufficient salt, in the event of severe weather.

A: Cllr Theodoulou confirmed that the depots were full with plenty in reserve.

Q: Cllr Dallow asked why not notice had been given for the road closure on the Spine Road C124 – to the A419.

A: Cllr Theodoulou reported that the road closure was due to a road collapse caused by a Badger set. As this was not foreseen, no notice could have been given in advance.

District Cllr Coakley left the meeting.

213 16/17 To receive report/s from meetings/events attended.

Cllrs. Training session (GAPTC) – 29th November – Cllrs reported that the training session had been enlightening and worthwhile and that this should be repeated next year. The Clerk reported that the Trainer had been delighted with the attendance and the participation of all that attended.

Palmer Hall meeting – Cllr Boulton reported that he had attended two meetings. The Hall are £6k in credit. They are currently involved in a lot of fund raising. Following the second meeting, where Committee members met with a representative from GRCC, who explained how the charity should be run and other details relating to the Deeds. Following this meeting the Committee are looking into changes in the Standing Orders.

FCC Management Committee meeting (30/11/16) – Cllrs Bowen and Sanford – Cllr Sanford reported that FCC accounts are acceptable, having broken even this year. Various works to the Centre are being looked at including changing the lights in the Farmor Room to energy saving lights, repairing the wall in the courtyard and checking the gutters.

Coln House School Consultation – Cllr Roberts reported that Cllr Hing had attended the first of the two consultation events and that she had attended the second. She asked several questions, but felt that all replies were very non-committal, many of her questions could not be answered. Since the consultation, she has received a letter from Gareth Vine, who refers to the consultation and to the fact that her questions had been received and were being considered.

Police Liaison Meeting- Cllr Roberts reported that the meeting had been very interesting. Many of the items covered related to activities in Lechlade, however crime figures have gone down except for violent crime which has risen in the Fairford/Lechlade area.

214 16/17 To consider correspondence received (for information only e-mailed)

Correspondence was received with no comment.

215 16/17 To consider and agree any responses to correspondence received for reply

No correspondence received for reply

FINANCE

216 16/17 To receive Minutes of the Finance meeting (draft)

The Minutes of the Finance meeting held on the 6th December were received with no comment.

217 16/17 To approve, retrospectively, payments to end of November 2016

It was **RESOLVED** to approve, retrospectively, payment to the end of November. Proposed Cllr Boulton, seconded Cllr Dallow – all in favour. Cllr Hill and Doherty asked if the relevant nominal ledger codes could be included in future.

ACTION: Clerk to amend template to include nominal ledger codes.

218 16/17 To receive most recent income & expenditure figures

The most recent income and expenditure figures were received with no comment.

219 16/17 To consider and agree renewal SLCC membership –

It was **RESOLVED** to renew the SLCC membership for 2017. Proposed Cllr Boulton, seconded Cllr Dallow – all in favour.

220 16/17 To consider and agree recommendation from Finance Committee for 2017 budget figures

Following debate, it was **RESOLVED** to agree recommendation from the Finance Committee for 2017 budget figures. Proposed Cllr Hill, seconded Cllr Boulton – all in favour. The Clerk will prepare a report detailing how the Finance Committee have arrived at this decision for those that did not attend the Finance meeting.

ACTION: Clerk to prepare a report.

221 16/17 To consider and agree recommendation from the Finance Committee to move current account to another banking group.

Due to the demise of the bank in Fairford and the fact that Lloyds business banking cannot be carried out through the post office. The Clerk requested that the Council consider moving the current account to another bank, allowing banking to take place at the post office. The other accounts to be looked at in the New Year. The Finance Committee agreed that the Clerk should look into this agreed this recommendation to Full Council. After deliberation, it was agreed to defer this to the next Full Council meeting, to allow more information to be obtained regarding the best bank to use.

ACTION: Clerk to add this item to the Agenda for the next Full Council meeting in January

222 16/17 To consider and agree recommendation from the Finance Committee to accept contribution of £5k for maintenance of the Hoggin Path (Bloor 2).

The recommendation from the Finance was considered and it was **RESOLVED** to accept the contribution from Bloor Homes of £5k to meet the costs of maintenance work of the Hoggin Path in the future. Proposed Cllr Boulton, seconded Cllr Dudley – all in favour.

PLANNING

223 16/17 To receive the minutes of the Planning committee meetings held on 15th November and 6th December 2016(draft)

The Minutes of the Planning meetings held on the 15th November and 6th December were received with no comment.

WORKS & COMMUNITY

224 16/17 To receive the minutes of the Works & Community Committee Meeting held on 22nd November 2016

The Minutes of the Works & Community Committee meeting held on the 22nd November were received. Cllr Doherty commented that his name had been misspelt. The Clerk confirmed that this would be amended.

225 16/17 Update on provision of banking facilities in Fairford

This item was taken together with Item 227 below. Cllr Roberts reported that she has been in contact with Geoffrey Clifton Brown MP, regarding the provision of a mobile banking unit in Fairford. It was agreed the FTC needs to have a say in how this operates. Lloyds have confirmed that they will contact us in due course to discuss this further. The Clerk reported that ATM suppliers have been contacted regarding the possibility of using the bus shelter in the Market Place to accommodate an ATM, but to date, have had very little positive feedback.

226 16/17 Update on future of Lloyds Bank building

The Clerk reported that following communication with the Agent dealing with the property. It seems that at this stage there is no news on what will happen to the Lloyds Bank building. They have asked that anyone interested in the property should be directed to them.

**227 16/17 Update on mobile banking service
(See Item 225 above)**

228 16/17 Feedback from Christmas Market

The Clerk reported that feedback from stall holders and visitors to the market has been very positive, with many of them saying that this year’s market was the best yet and stallholders wishing to be contacted for next years’ event.

OTHER MATTERS

229 16/17 To consider and agree the future of FEAG

The Chair of FEAG, Cllr Hing, reported that due to ill health he can and many of the original organisers can no longer run this group and asked the Council to consider how best to deal with this situation. Following discussion, it was agreed that Cllr Hing would update the Plan and overview of the roles. It was suggested that a request for volunteers is made on the website and facebook page.

ACTION: Clerk to add article on the website and on the facebook page. Cllr Hing to update the FEAG Action Plan and list of volunteers available and role requirements.

230 16/17 To consider and agree response to consultation on Post Office services and accessibility -

<http://www.rsonline.org.uk/services/consultation-launched-on-post-office-services>

Following debate, it was **RESOLVED** to post this information onto the website and facebook page, for individuals to reply to.

ACTION: Clerk to post this link onto the website and facebook page.

Date of next meeting – 10th January 2017

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40pm

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