



Fairford Town Council

MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THE 10TH JANUARY 2017

MEMBERSHIP:

Cllr J. Sanford – Chair – (JS)	Cllr R. Harrison – (RH)
Cllr M. Dudley – Deputy Chair – (MD)	Cllr. J. Hill – (JH)
Cllr S. Boulton – (SB)	Cllr T. Hing – (TH)
Cllr J. Bowen – (JB)	Cllr D. McKinley – (DM)
Cllr J. Dallow – (JD)	Cllr C. Roberts (CR)
Cllr A. Doherty – (AD)	Cllr. R. Winney – (RW)

In attendance: Vanessa Lawrence & Roz Capps (Clerks), District Cllrs. S.Coakley (SC) & S. Andrews (SA), Mr. Morecombe, Ryan Merryfield (Wilts & Glos Standard)

- 231 16/17 Apologies for absence**
Apologies were received from Cllrs Winney & McKinley
- 232 16/17 Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda**
None received
- 233 16/17 To approve the Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on the 13th December 2016.**
It was **RESOLVED** to approve the Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on the 13th December 2016, as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.
Proposed Cllr Boulton, seconded Cllr Dallow – all in favour.
- 234 16/17 Matters arising**
Phonebox adoption – High Street – The Clerk reported that the phonebox opposite the Community Centre, will be remaining as a working telephone box and will not be removed or put up for adoption.
Update on meeting with Thames Water – to be sent to Geoffrey Clifton Brown - RH has circulated a report of the meeting held with Thames Water and would like any comments before this is submitted to Geoffrey Clifton Brown.
TH expressed the Town Council's disappointment that no one from CDC was able to attend the meeting. **SC** explained why representatives from CDC had not been able to attend and advised that this had been explained to **RH** prior to the meeting. It was agreed that a separate meeting with Mike Napper (CDC) would need to be arranged.

ACTION: Meeting to be arranged with Mike Napper (CDC)
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- 235 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 (if applicable)**
N/A as the member of the public present had no questions

- 236 16/17 **To agree to reconvene the meeting following Public Participation (if applicable)**
N/A
- 237 16/17 **Chairman's Announcements**
JS wanted to know if and when a Hydrology Survey could be undertaken. She was assured that this would only happen once the final report from Thames Water has been received. The T. Water report would very much dictate the scope of any Hydrology survey.
- 238 16/17 **To receive report from District Cllrs**
SC reported as follows:
- **Budget** – Consultation underway
 - **Local Plan** – Consultation to begin on the 16th January and will run to 27th February. Drop-in sessions arranged from 24th January in Cirencester and 14th February in Moreton.
 - **Free Car Parking Cirencester**- This will be extended until 31st March 2017.
- SA reported as follows:**
- **Hearing (Gladman application Horcott)** – SA reported that the Hearing relating to the planning application for a development in Horcott will take place sometime between 12th to 16th March 2017.
 - **District Cllr grants** – SA reported that there was still a small amount of grant money for youth groups, available. Applicants should be directed to him or to SC.
 - **Coln Park footpaths S106 agreement** – SC reported that wording not confirmed until **SC & SA** have agreed this. Widths of footpaths need to be properly defined. Mike Barton (PROW) is being consulted.
- 239 16/17 **To receive report from County Cllr Theodoulou**
None received in his absence.
- 240 16/17 **To receive report/s from meetings/events attended**
-ECT meeting, December – JS & MD met with Dr. Victoria Edwards in December. A report will be circulated as soon as Dr Edwards has agreed the contents.

ACTION: JS to circulate report

JS also reported that discussion took place regarding the creation of a working party to look at access to the countryside for disabled members of the community. Following discussion, **JH, SB & JS** expressed an interest in participating. The Clerks suggested two members of the public that might be approached regarding this.

- **Speedwatch meeting** – **CR** reported that we now have 25 trained volunteers, and 6 waiting to be trained. 6 sites have been identified for monitoring: -

2 – Honeycombe Leaze

2 – Quenington

1- London Road

1 – Leafield Road

Other sites are awaiting approval: -

Hatherop Road and Horcott and each end of Fairford.

A rota has been drawn up to cover twice a day periodically over a fortnight at various approved sites. Equipment has been put together to include HI-viz jackets, letters, log sheets etc. Other volunteers have also come forward from Meysey Hampton, Poulton and Preston.

- 241 16/17 To consider correspondence received (for information only e-mailed)
Hare Trail – Launch at Burford Garden Centre in March – CR asked how many Hares have been taken and the Clerks reported that to date 5 large Hares (FTC, ECT, RIAT, Lakes by Yoo, Arkells), have been sponsored. 4 small Hares (Fairford Therapy Rooms, A. Butler, 7A, Clive & Catherine Elliott) have been sponsored. The theme for decorating the Hares is History & Heritage in the Cotswolds. Jake Sutton is decorating the FTC Hare and other artists have been selected from the approved list, by the other sponsors. The Hares will eventually be displayed at various locations in and around Fairford.**
- 242 16/17 To consider and agree any responses to correspondence received for reply**
None

District Cllr Coakley left the meeting.

FINANCE

- 243 16/17 To receive Minutes of the Finance Committee meeting held on the 3rd January (draft)**
The Minutes of the Finance meeting were received with no comment.
- 244 16/17 To approve, retrospectively, payments to end of December 2016**
It was **RESOLVED** to approve, retrospectively, payments to the end of December 2016. Proposed Cllr Boulton, seconded Cllr Dudley – all in favour.
- 245 16/17 To receive most recent income & expenditure figures**
The income & expenditure figures were received with no comment.
- 246 16/17 To consider and agree recommendation from the Finance Committee to move current account to another banking group.**
It was agreed to defer this item to the next meeting to allow time for more information to be obtained from different banks.

ACTION: Clerk to add this item to the Agenda for the next meeting in February.

POST MEETING NOTE: Following information recently received regarding banking arrangements in the Town, it may not be necessary to change banking arrangements.

- 247 16/17 To consider and agree recommendation from Finance Committee to increase the Precept by 1.2% (CPI – November 2016) for 2017/18.**

It was agreed to move this to the end of the meeting for a pre-decision briefing prior to a decision being taken. Proposed Cllr Hing, seconded Cllr Boulton – all in favour.

Following debate, it was **RESOLVED** to follow the 'best practice' guidelines from the Gloucestershire Association of Town & Parish Councils (GAPTC) and apply an increase to the Precept, which for 2017/18 will be 1.2%, maintaining the budget at its current level in real terms (accounting for inflation). In making this decision the council took into account that the increase in housing in the same

period means that each household will actually see a slight reduction in the Town Council part of their bill. Following debate, it was **RESOLVED** to increase the Precept by 1.2%. Proposed Cllr Doherty, seconded Cllr Dudley – 9 in favour, 2 abstentions.

ACTION: Clerk to send Precept request form to CDC.

PLANNING

248 16/17 To receive the minutes of the Planning committee meetings held on 20th December 2016 and 3rd January 2017.

The Minutes of the Planning meetings held on the 20th December and 3rd January were received with no comment.

Cllr S Andrews, Ryan Merryfield and Mr. Morecombe left the meeting.

OTHER MATTERS

Lloyds Bank – Report from CR.

Date of next meeting – 14th February 2017

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.55pm.

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