

MEMBERSHIP:

Cllr S. Boulton – Chair

Cllr M. Dudley – Deputy Chair

Cllr J. Bowen

Cllr. J. Hill

Cllr J. Dallow

Cllr T. Hing

Cllr A. Doherty

Cllr D. McKinley

Cllr C. Foxall

Cllr C. Roberts

Cllr R. Harrison

Cllr J. Sanford

Cllr. R. Winney

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Fairford Town Council

**MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON THE 12TH SEPTEMBER 2017**

Present: Cllr Boulton Cllr Bowen Cllr Dallow
Cllr Doherty Cllr Foxall Cllr Harrison
Cllr Hill Cllr Hing Cllr Sanford

In attendance: Vanessa Lawrence and Roz Capps (Clerks), District Cllrs Coakley and Andrews,
Mrs Christine Blackwell (Governor Fairford Primary School)

- 103 17/18 Apologies for absence**
Apologies were received from Cllrs Bowen, Dudley, Roberts and Winney
- 104 17/18 Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda**
Cllr Boulton declared a personal interest in the In-Camera item 122 17/18 and would withdraw from the meeting.
- 105 17/18 To approve the Minutes of Full Council meeting held on the 8th August 2017**
It was **RESOLVED** to approve the Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on the 8th August 2017, as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.
Proposed Cllr Hing, seconded Cllr Hill – 8 in favour, 1 abstention.
- 106 17/18 Clerks Report**
This had been circulated prior to the meeting.
- 107 17/18 To agree to adjourn the meeting for Public Participation subject to members of the public being present. – there is a 10-minute time limit**
It was **RESOLVED** to adjourn the meeting for Public Participation- Proposed Cllr Hill, seconded Cllr Dallow – all in favour.

Mrs Blackwell, in her capacity as Governor of the Primary School, reported that she would be stepping down and asked if any Councillor would be willing to take her place as Governor. She felt that Council representation would be useful. Contacts details would be e-mailed to the Clerk for any interested Councillors.

- 108 17/18 To agree to reconvene the meeting following Public Participation (if applicable)**
It was **RESOLVED** to reconvene the meeting following Public Participation.
Proposed Cllr Harrison, seconded Cllr Hing – all in favour.

109 17/18 Chairman's Announcements

None

110 17/18 To receive report from District Cllrs**Weekly Bulletin - week commencing -14th August – e-mailed 14/8/17****Weekly Bulletin – week commencing – 21st August- e-mailed 21/8/17****Weekly Bulletin – week commencing- 28th August - e-mailed 25/8/17****Weekly Bulletin – week commencing – 4th September – e-mailed 4/9/17**

Cllr Andrews reported that problems have come to the attention of CDC regarding Fairford Sports Centre, which following the take over in 2013 by Farmors School, has been subsidised by CDC. This subsidy was made available to assist them in becoming commercially viable. This has not happened and funding is now required, as the subsidy is coming to an end. It is unlikely that CDC will be able to fund this in the foreseeable future. Discussion took place regarding the Sports Centre. Cllr Foxall asked if there was a documented agreement that could be scrutinised.

111 17/18 To receive report from County Cllr Theodoulou

Report from County Councillor Theodoulou as follows:

- Budget – Budget preparation is underway for 2018/19.
- Ofsted – Children services – declared inadequate. Improvement board set up. Lack of social workers. GCC looking for a further 20 social workers. Press Release sent out today regarding this issue. It is expected that there will be 700 children in the system by the end of the year. Currently there are 600 children in the system.

Q: Cllr Doherty asked about the Improvement Board

A: Meetings being arranged to set tasks.

- Adult Care – Ageing population is resulting in cost rising to maintain elderly care.

Both these areas are principal statutory obligations.

- Deficit – manageable for this year, but will be problematic next year. This may cause a similar increase in Council tax to this year, but this has yet to be verified.
- Roads - £150million over 4 years allocated. The current contract with AMEY is drawing to an end and this will be going out to tender.

Q: Cllr Hing asked about the future of Coln House School

A: Cllr Theodoulou said that it is probable that the school building would be sold, but the field may go into public ownership, to which he hoped that FTC would take a lead

Q: Cllr Hill asked if more duties from Central Government would be devolved to County Council.

A: Cllr Theodoulou said he did not know, but said that there would no longer be any grants, for the foreseeable future.

112 17/18 To receive other report/s from meetings/events attended

- **Anglo American Skittles evening** - Cllrs Hill and Hing attended
- **Access to Countryside meeting - 12th September** – Cllr Hill reported that various actions are being worked on in particular the River Walk from Dilly's Bridge to Snakes Lane. Funding for improvements to the path may be available through 'WILD', but this has not been confirmed. Meeting with the EA next week to talk about this project. Full notes to be circulated when complete.

- 113 17/18** **To consider correspondence received (for information only e-mailed)**
Correspondence received with no comment.
- 114 17/18** **To consider and agree any responses to correspondence received for reply**
None

District Cllr Coakley and County Councillor Theodoulou left the meeting.

FINANCE

- 115 17/18** **To receive Minutes of Finance meeting held on the 5th September 2017 (unapproved)**
The Minutes of the Finance meeting were received with no comment.
- 116 17/18** **To approve, retrospectively, payments to end of August 2017**
It was **RESOLVED** to approve, retrospectively, payments to end of August 2017. Proposed Cllr Doherty, seconded Cllr Foxall – all in favour.
- 117 17/18** **To receive payments and receipts to end of previous month**
The payments and receipts were received with no comment.

PLANNING

- 118 17/18** **To receive the Minutes of the Planning committee meetings held on 15th August and 5th September 2017**
The Minutes of the Planning meetings held on 15th August and 5th September were received with no comment.

WORKS & COMMUNITY

- 119 17/18** **To receive Minutes of the Works & Community Committee meeting held on the 22nd August 2017**
The Minutes of the Works & Community Committee meeting held on 22nd August were received with no comment.
- 120 17/18** **To receive report from Chair of Works & Community meeting**
None received in Cllr McKinley's absence. The Clerks Report covered the matters for this Committee.

OTHER MATTERS

- 121 17/18** **To consider joining the Cirencester Twinning Association (Cllr Hill)- details circulated.**
Cllr Hill explained the background to this item. Following brief discussion, it was agreed that Cllr Hill would find out more about how this would benefit Fairford and report back to the W & C Committee.

<p>ACTION: Cllr Hill to obtain more information and Clerk to add this item to the Agenda of the next W & C meeting.</p>
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ANYTHING THE CHAIR CONSIDERS URGENT

Nothing urgent.

Cllr Boulton and the Clerks left the meeting.

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