

**Minutes of the meeting of Farringdon Parish Council held on 28<sup>th</sup> September 2022  
location Chawton Village Hall, Winchester Road, Chawton, GU34 1RX**

**Attendees: Cllr Horton, Cllr Cushing, Cllr Herman, Cllr de Ledesma, Cllr Clegg, Cllr Williams, Cllr Farquhar & Cllr Bosley.**

**Public: Grace Clegg, Marianne Prynne, Kathy Barber & Peter Barber.**

**Agenda**

**40/22 To receive and approve apologies for absence.**

**No apologies or absences.**

**41/22 Proposal by David Horton that a new vice chair is elected. Any councillors wishing to take on the role please state their intention to stand. If we have more than one candidate a vote will take place as per the standing orders procedure.**

**Andy Clegg volunteered to take on the role. He was seconded by Alison de Ledesma and was voted to the position unanimously.**

**42/22 To receive and approve disclosable pecuniary interests and non-pecuniary interests from the Clerk. Local government act 1972 s117**

**None**

**43/22 To receive and approve dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests from councillors. (S33 of the Localism Act 2011)**

**None**

**44/22 To welcome and congratulate Sarah Farquhar on becoming our latest parish councillor.**

**The Chair congratulated Sarah on her election and welcomed her to the council.**

**45/22 To receive resolution to suspend standing orders to allow public question time.**

**Resolved**

**Public question time.**

**Marianne Prynne asked for an update on Folly site.**

**David Horton explained that the new developer was still in negotiation with SDNP and the administrator about what will need to be done with the site in order to develop it e.g., whether the two new builds were to be removed and what work is required on the Folly to protect it. The developer has improved security to the site.**

**46/22 To approve the minutes from the full council meeting of July 2022.**

**Approved unanimously.**

**47/22 To receive resolution to resume standing orders.**

**Resolved.**

**48/22 Matters arising from previous meetings, for information only, including but not limited to:**

**\* Speed awareness and CANS update.**

**Andy Clegg confirmed that the cameras are working. Dona Jones Police commissioner is planning a meeting soon and CANS will be involved. A32 has caused more speeding on Shirnall Hill and Upper Farringdon. A camera is now positioned on Shirnall Hill again for a period of time.**

**\* Update on New village mapping project.**

**Unfortunately, the flower show was cancelled which would have had the official unveiling. Penny Cushing will discuss with organisers of the show who will be able to supply a new date.**

**\* Village garden project update.**

**Keith Herman gave an overview of the project and was pleased that the rain had come as a team of volunteers had been taking water to the garden to maintain it. The Chair thanked all the volunteers for their efforts.**

**The garden has received “A Highly Commended” award from Hampshire County Council – thanks and gratitude to all the volunteers who have contributed towards the project.**

**\* Road infrastructure projects.**

**A meeting was held at the Lych Gate site with Hampshire County Councils New Principal Engineer Lisa Davis and Mark Kemp-Gee our local county councillor where the project was discussed. Lisa has confirmed that she supports the project and will discuss with HCC legal team to endeavour to give us permission to carry out the work without the need of a Section 271 permit, which would make to process too costly. Hopefully we will have a decision in time for the next PC meeting. The Clerk has also chased HCC to start work on the signage declutter and new signs for Parsonage Close now that the A32 works have wound down. Once the PC have a confirmed price for the Lych Gate a proposal for Crows Lane will be submitted for discussion, this is to alleviate the ruts appearing on the verge that runs parallel to the West View Houses.**

**\* Environmental and road & signage infrastructure update.**

**David Williams discussed his report (previously sent to all councillors). He confirmed ground water levels and stated works that were due to happen in the village. The Esso pipeline will result in work on Brightstone Lane. Hampshire County Council have stated that they will no longer clear landowners ditches etc. The Land owner must clear them. Residents must also ensure hedges and trees are kept in order and do not affect pedestrians and vehicles. Andy Clegg stated that the Shirnall Hill problem of stones and mud running down the hill and blocking the drain is persistently occurring and it is a danger for drivers and pedestrians. It was agreed that kerb stones on the hill would help. It was agreed to put this forward for future CIL funding.**

**\* Website.**

**The annual audit has now been signed off. The site will now be migrated to Hugo Fox. The missing information, agenda and minutes etc. Will then be added. Further use of the site and linking social media can then be discussed at the next PC meeting.**

**\* Update on Farringdon.net.**

**The site is now up and running again. The PC will continue to post items and information for the community.**

**\* EHDC and an updated village emergency planning.**

The councillors agreed to review the existing plan and put forward any new suggestions and or ideas. The Clerk forwarded information on training courses that are available via Hampshire County Council and EHDC.

**\* Lower Playground report and repairs update.**

David Williams presented a detailed inspection report and it was determined that the zip wire needed further repairs and the platform needs to be made safer. The Clerk will arrange quotes and inspections to present to the PC for the next meeting so that repairs can be started a.s.a.p. A budget will also be set for minor works and quotes sourced separately.

David Williams also checked the fencing around the whole lower playground and presented a map highlighting damaged fencing and overgrown areas.

It was agreed that quotes to repair the fencing and to cut down over grown areas will also be sought.

General maintenance work is required on all village notice boards.

The Chair and the councillors thanked David Williams for this detailed work.

**\* Review adequacy of the size of and frequency of collection of the dual-purpose bin located near bus stop/dealership on the A32.**

Sarah Farquhar opened the discussion about the problems with the bin always being totally full despite the increased collections. This is mainly caused by Bahnstormer Café customers filling it up with disposable cups, cans, bottles and food wrappers; The PC have asked the dealership to empty the bin but this has not happened. Sarah suggested that the PC increase the size of the bin, which all councillors agreed with. The Clerk will get a quote for a dual waste bin which will more than double the size.

**\* Review of the South Downs Local Plan.**

**The Clerk confirmed that a meeting with SDNP will take place shortly to discuss local planning and specifically sites that can be added to each area's local plan to increase home building, small business sites and Gypsy and Traveller sites.**

**Previous SDNP information has been emailed to Councillors.**

**SDNP have requested that at least two councillors attend these meetings.**

**\* Budget for 2023 as reserves require use and or the annual precept will require amendment.**

**Budget reserves have been made for the Village Hall project, playground repairs maintenance and road infrastructure projects. The PC will therefore look to reducing the annual precept. This will be discussed and confirmed at the November PC meeting.**

**49/22 Proposal from David Horton that permission is given for the planting of a significant tree with funds raised following the QPLJ lunch held in Farringdon to commemorate the Platinum Jubilee and to be part of the Queens Green Canopy.**

**The tree they have identified as suitable and makes a statement is a Copper Beech.**

**They would like to plant it at the bottom of the village in the grass at the edge of kick about area just behind the old telephone box.**

**Seconded by Alison de Ledesma and voted for unanimously. The council debated the requested site and agreed that the QPLJ team should seek advice from a specialist to ensure that the site is the right site to grow a healthy tree. They are also happy that the area is moved to accommodate this.**

**50/22 Proposal by David Horton that the PC opt out of the agreement to use the SAAA appointed external auditors for the next 5 years. (Information on this proposal sent to all councillors prior to this meeting).**

All smaller authorities must action this by adding it to a council meeting agenda in September or October (i.e., before the cut-off date of 28<sup>th</sup> October) and record the council's response in the minutes.

Seconded by Keith Herman. The vote was unanimously against this proposal as the costs would increase significantly.

51/22 Proposal by David Horton that the PC continues to use the SAAA appointed external auditors for the next 5 years.

Seconded by Peter Bosley. The vote was unanimous for this proposal in respect to simplicity and costs.

52/22 Proposal by David Horton that the PC contribute £50.00 towards the Remembrance Day Wreath as per our custom.

Seconded by Andy Clegg. The vote was unanimous in passing the proposal.

53/22 Proposal by David Horton that the PC clarify the use of funds towards the Village Hall Project and confirm the budgeted contribution that would be made if the village hall was built; and that a statement to that effect is made public.

54/22 To receive and approve payment of accounts.

Date	Chq reference	Payee	Amount
16/08/2022	100221	Clerk Salary	£905.87
16/08/2022	100222	G Lyle exp.	£38.77
18/08/2022	100223	Clerk Salary	£905.87
18/08/2022	100224	Carl Saunders	£30.00
08/09/2022	100225	Carl Saunders	£45.00

08/09/2022	100226	Community Heart Beat Trust	£302.40
16/09/2022	100227	Clerks Salary	£905.87
14/09/2022	100228	PAYE	£66.75
20/09/2022	100229	HALC Fee	£198.00

Approved.

55/22 To Receive the bank statements to 20<sup>th</sup> August 2022.

Main Account #806

Date	Detail	Debit	Credit	Balance
20/06/2022	Opening Bal			87797.32
23/06/2022	Chq 100212	84.52		
23/06/2022	Chq 100211	894.89		
24/06/2022	Nest	76.29		
24/06/2022	Chq 100208	20.00		
24/06/2022	Chq 100210	1055.39		
11/07/2022	Charges	6.20		
11/07/2022	400821		34933.16	
12/07/2022	400821 returned	34933.16		
13/07/2022	Chq 100209	160.50		
18/07/2022	Chq 100215	500.00		
19/07/2022	Chq 100217	15.30		
20/07/2022	Chq 100221	905.87		
22/07/2022	Chq 100219	334.15		
26/07/2022	Chq 100218	50.00		
26/07/2022	Chq 100213	1194.00		
05/08/2022	Chq 100214	304.61		
09/08/2022	Chq 100216	75.98		

10/08/2022	Charges	8.60		
15/08/2022	Nest	152.58		
19/08/2022	Chq 100223	905.87		
19/08/2022	Chq 100222	38.77		
	Forward Bal			81013.80

#### Sub Account #822

Date	Detail	Debit	Credit	Balance
20/06/2022	Opening Bal			25059.41
20/07/2022	Interest		1.10	
20/08/2022	Interest		3.19	
	Forward Bal			25063.70

#### Sub Account #814

Date	Detail	Debit	Credit	Balance
20/06/2022	Opening Bal			28561.69
20/07/2022	Interest		1.25	
20/08/2022	Interest		3.64	
	Forward Bal			28566.58

Statements checked and verified by David Horton

#### Planning 56/22

[Single storey rear extension - Penny Cottage Crows Lane Farringdon Alton Hampshire GU34 3ED](#)

Ref. No: SDNP/22/03274/HOUS | Received date: Tue 12 Jul 2022 | Status: Approved | Case Type: Planning Application

**No Comments or objections**

[Detached outbuilding following demolition of existing outbuildings - Hardings Church Road Upper Farringdon Alton Hampshire GU34 3EG](#)

Ref. No: SDNP/22/01024/HOUS | Received date: Fri 25 Feb 2022 | Status: Pending Decision | Case Type: Planning Application

**No Comments or objections**

4 Ash trees, 3 Holly along left hand boundary, reduce crown height by approx 2- 3 metres leaving a crown height of approx 5-6 metres and reduce crown width by approx 2 metres leaving a crown width of approx 2 metres. No1 Lime tree along left hand rear boundary cut to ground level. No 3 Lime tree along left hand rear boundary cut to ground level. Beech tree at bottom of left hand boundary beside field gate, reduce crown height by 3-4 metres leaving a crown height of approx 6-8 metres, reduce crown spread by approx 2-3 metres leaving a crown spread of approx. 4-5 metres. Yew tree at rear of property reduce crown height by approx 2-3 metres leaving a crown height of approx 5-6 metres, reduce crown width by approx 2-3 metres leaving a crown width of approx 3-4 metres. Mixed hedge along bottom boundary reduce by approx 2 metres in height leaving a hedge height of approx 3-4 metres. To allow more light into properties and gardens. - Holly Cottage Shirnall Hill Upper Farringdon Alton Hampshire GU34 3DS

Ref. No: SDNP/22/04060/TCA | Received date: Thu 01 Sep 2022 | Status: Pending Consideration | Case Type: Planning Application

### **No Comments or objections**

Listed Building Consent - Demolition of existing 1970's extension and reinstate walls to match the approved planning and listed building consent as follows: Full Householder: SDNP2004228HOUS, Listed Building: SDNP2004229LIS - Old School Cottage The Street Upper Farringdon Alton Hampshire GU34 3DT

Ref. No: SDNP/22/03672/LIS | Received date: Fri 05 Aug 2022 | Status: Pending Consideration | Case Type: Planning Application

### **No Comments or objections**

Location: Cavalliers Hill Shirnall Hill Upper Farringdon Alton Hampshire GU34 3DS  
Proposal: 4 Multi stem conifers (blue lawsonia and normal lawsonia) - Remove.

Ref. No: SDNP/22/03786/TCA

### **No Comments or objections**

Two storey and single storey rear extensions - 8 Eastview Gardens Crows Lane Farringdon Alton Hampshire GU34 3ED

Ref. No: SDNP/22/04303/PRE | Received date: Mon 12 Sep 2022 | Status: Pending Consideration | Case Type: Planning Application

### **No Comments or objections as Pre-Application**

**57/22 Future Meeting Dates:**

<b>Date</b>	<b>Time</b>	<b>Venue</b>	<b>Primary Purpose</b>
<b>16<sup>th</sup> November 2022</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Chawton Village Hall</b>	<b>Full Council Meeting</b>
<b>18<sup>th</sup> January 2023</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Chawton Village Hall</b>	<b>Full Council Meeting</b>
<b>15<sup>th</sup> March 2023</b>	<b>7:00pm</b>	<b>Chawton Village Hall</b>	<b>Full Council Meeting</b>

**Key Messages:**

- 1. Welcome to our New Parish Councillor Sarah Farquhar**
- 2. Congratulations to Andy Clegg our new Vice Chair**
- 3. Welcome back Farringdon.Net**
- 4. Work to be carried out to the lower playground area**
- 5. Statement for Village Hall Funds.**