

Fovant Parish Council

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DRAFT MINUTES OF THE FOVANT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 10th JANUARY 2012 IN THE VILLAGE HALL

Present: Gorse, Knowles, Mrs Law, Leppard (Chairman), Phillips, Potter, Privett, Roberts and Mrs Story.
Mrs C Churchill (Parish Clerk).

In attendance: Wiltshire Cllr Mrs Green and six members of the public were present.

Apologies: None received.

Chairman's Opening Remarks. Cllr Leppard opened the meeting at 7.16pm.

Public Questions:

- 1) Mrs Payton thanked those involved with the new steps on footpath 6.
- 2) Mrs Payton spoke about a possible new environmental group for Fovant. She attended a meeting of Wiltshire World Changers (local group doing green things for the environment). Would Fovant PC look into running a group in Fovant?
- 3) Mrs Payton also drew attention to a meeting being held on Saturday 14th January in Wilton about the Eco plans for the old UKLF site.
- 4) Clerk was asked to place environmental group on the February agenda. Clerk
- 5) Mr Law spoke on behalf of Fovant Road Safety Group and asked if Fovant PC could request a print out of the data from the flashing sign.
- 6) Mr Law also asked if the sign will remain when the speed limit is reduced to 30mph.
- 7) Cllr Phillips confirmed the sign will stay; the notice for the traffic regulation order is due to be published in March.
- 8) Ms Hay (FoDS) informed Cllrs that Dinton school are interested in getting involved with the Olympic Torch.
- 9) Mrs Litty spoke re planning item 11/111

11/107 Minutes of Council Meeting dated 1st December 2011 were taken as a true record and approved without amendment and signed by the Chairman. It was noted that Cllr Mrs Story had attempted to attend the meeting but was unable to due to a problem with accessibility.

11/108. Declarations of Interest - None.

11/109. No report received from the Neighbourhood Police Team.

11/110 Report from Wiltshire Cllr Mrs Jose Green. Cllr Green wished everyone present a Happy New Year. Sutton Mandevillae are missing a grit bin, it has been relocated by highways to Moor Hill in Fovant, Highways will return it. Councillor Story noted a grit bin had been promised for this site at the time one was relocated from The Hollows to Mary Barter Lane.(17th Feb 2007). Next meeting of the SWWAB will be on Wednesday 29th February at Tisbury with an emphasis on the youth. Has been speaking to Sue Jay about the lack of volunteers for Fovant Youth Group, hoping to meet up soon. CATG will meet in approx 2 weeks at Dinton. Downsway application – recently received a couple of objections and a request to call the application in, this has been done but it may have been too late. If it is decided at a WC Planning Committee it may be on 26th January or 16th February.

Planning Matters.

11/111 S/2011/1845. The Emblems, Shaftesbury Rd, Compton Chamberlayne. Demolition of existing dwelling, restaurant and outbuilding, and erection of new 4 bedroom dwelling and detached garage. The Applicant, Mrs Litty informed the council that the application was trade based, giving them an option to cease trading if necessary. Cllrs discussed the application. Resolved that Fovant PC support the application. Clerk

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- 11/112. Dinton School bid for R2 Funding. Friends of Dinton School have made an application for £750.00 of R2 funds from Fovant. Total child funds available are not known but an allocation has been made for the Fovant Cricket Club coaching pack. Ms Hay confirmed that the pool would be open for use for all pre-school and primary age children in the area. SWWAB have made a grant of approximately £4240.00. Resolved to support the application from FoDS of £750.00 subject to receipt of a written Constitution from the Dinton School Management Committee confirming that all Fovant children will be permitted access to the pool. Clerk to enquire whether adult funds may be used for this project. **Clerk**
- 11/113 Finance – balance of bank accounts and cheques due for payment. Clerk has not received a bank statement but was able to check balances at Wilton branch of Lloyds bank.
- 1) The balance of the PC accounts totals £5304.04 and there are no unrepresented cheques.
 - 2) Payments totalling £494.98 were authorised for payment.
- 11/114 Budget for the year 2012 - 2013. The attached budget was discussed.
Resolved to approve the attached budget which includes ceasing membership of Community First.
- 11/115. Precept for the year 2012-2013 from Wiltshire Council for the year ending 31st March 2013
Resolved to request a precept of £6,000.00 from Wiltshire Council. **Clerk**
- 11/116 Update on the Removal of High St Post Box. Clerk has not heard from the Royal Mail concerning the missing post box. Cllr Phillips reported that parishioners are concerned that they have to go to the shop to post letters in an unsecure environment. Clerk to chase and keep local M.P. informed of this issue. **Clerk**
- 11/117 Postal service in Fovant. Correspondence has been received about the lateness of postal deliveries in Fovant. After a brief discussion Fovant Parish Council resolved that this was not a matter for the parish council to pursue but for individual parishioners to raise with the Royal Mail. **Clerk**
- 11/118 Action update (from the minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 8th November 2011):
- 1) (11/078) Clerk has sent cricket club requests to R2 Officer, has had a response but unclear if all three requests are approved. Clerk to contact Officer tomorrow. **Clerk**
 - 2) (11/082) Clerk has spoken to Motcombe PC re their 3 way give way junction. This scheme was undertaken by Dorset County Council and the three roads all have equal use, it is not a C road junction with an A road. Clerk is trying to find information on purchasing additional batteries for the flashing sign.
 - 3) (11/083.2) Clerk and Cllr Leppard have yet to meet re PC filing cabinet papers. **Clerk**
 - 4) (11/083.4) Clerk has resent the asset transfer document to the new Community Area Manager, an email requesting confirmation of site has been circulated to Cllrs Leppard and Phillips. Cllr Leppard has confirmed the site is correct and this is now being progressed by WC. **Clerk**
 - 5) (11/083.5) Clerk has not been able to find anyone to undertake a free survey of the village hall. Clerk to ask local roofing companies to look at the roof and provide estimates. **Clerk**
 - 6) (11/083.6) A quote for the Village Hall war memorial repair is still awaited. **Clerk**
 - 7) (11/083.7) Footpath letter has been sent to Clerk.
 - 8) (11/088) Compacter vehicle came to the village on the 19th November.
 - 9) (11/089) a tree to commemorate the Royal Wedding has been planted at Clays Orchard.
(All other actions appear within the minutes of this meeting)
- 11/119 Action update (from the minutes of Parish Council meeting held on 1st December 2011):
- 1) (11/097) Clerk has been unsuccessful in getting confirmation from NALC about double taxation issues relating to the SWWAB demand that PCs should allocate precept funds for Highways Survey work relating to the A30 Triangle, apart from a document explaining double taxation. Clerk has since tried WALC and is waiting on an answer.
 - 2) (11/099-10103) Planning responses made by the PC were sent to WC.
- 11/120 Councillor Reports.
- a) SWWAB – Cllrs agreed that the present difficulty in obtaining accurate R2 funding availability data should be placed on the next agenda for SWWAB to discuss.
 - b) Poplars Residents Association – Cllr Potter reported that discussions are taking place with residents and drawings are being compiled, hopefully all will be ready for the next SWWAB CATG meeting.

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- c) TAPCAP – Continues to support working with the Steering Committee for Tisbury Campus project.
- d) Neighbourhood Watch – village remains quiet, new NHW signs have been fitted on all entrances to the village. Fortunately no oil thefts but these are a serious concern for the police. Cllr Mrs Law attended the Tisbury Community Safety Partnership meeting, police were present, oil thefts were stressed, parking and speed issues persist. Police asked if they could be kept informed of any Olympic events. PCSO Gary Chambers is hoping to set up NHW meetings at police station.
- e) Highways – Cllr Mrs Story reported an accident had occurred on the eastern approach of the A30.

11/121 Clerks Report

- a) Clerk attended the SWWAB meeting at Wilton
- b) Clerk will attend the WC budget forum on 2nd February at The Guildhall, Salisbury. Details circulated.
- c) WC Cllr development info evening on waste – 30th January 2012. Details circulated.
- d) WALC newsletter – Planning evening on 21st February 2012 in Devizes. Circulated.
- e) WC Parish newsletter – circulated
- f) Newsletter from Local History centre at Chippenham, circulated.
- g) WC info on Localism Bill and new Standards Board, agenda item for future meeting. Circulated
- h) WC meeting re Olympic Torch scheduled for 10th January, apologies sent and requested all info to be sent after the meeting.
- i) Planning explained booklet by CPRE, please see www.planninghelp.org.uk or follow this link to take you directly to the page <http://www.planninghelp.org.uk/what-were-doing/supporting-communities-andneighbourhoods-in-planning/advice>

11/122 The following dates for the parish council meetings for 2012 – 2013 were approved:

6th March 2012
 27th March (this is the APM not a parish council meeting),
 4th April 2012
 8th May 2012 (Annual Parish Council Meeting)
 12th June 2012
 3rd July 2012
 4th September 2012
 9th October 2012
 6th November 2012
 8th January 2013
 5th February 2013
 5th March 2013
 2nd April (APM) 2013
 14th May 2013 (APC)

11/123 The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 7th February 2012 at 7.15pm in the village hall. Any items for the agenda should be sent to the clerk before 30th January 2012.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.26 p.m.

Any item for inclusion at the Parish Council meeting must be notified in writing to the Chairman for consideration of acceptance in accordance with the Parish Council Standing Orders at least 10 days in advance of the meeting. Notice of the next meeting will be posted on the Parish Council notice boards at least three working days prior to the date of the meeting. The Minutes of the Parish Council meetings are published on the Parish Notice Board, the PC web site at (www.southwiltswilts.co.uk/site/Fovant-Parish-Council/index/htm) and in Three Towers Community magazine.