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MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 11th OCTOBER 2011 IN THE VILLAGE HALL

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

In attendance: Wiltshire Councillor Mrs J Green. No member of the public was present

Apologies: Cllr Mrs Law; Cllr Roberts

Chairman's Opening Remarks. Cllr Leppard opened the meeting at 7.17pm.

Public Question Time (Notes are not taken unless requested by the Chairman)

11/054. Minutes of Council Meeting held on dated 7th September 2011 were taken as read, approved with two amendments and signed by the Chairman. Amendment 11/038. Planning responses were attached to the wrong applications, Clerk to swop them over. Action: Clerk

11/056. Declarations of Interest There were no declarations of interest. Clerk was asked to make an entry in the blue hardback book used for recording declarations. Action: Clerk

11/057. Report from Wiltshire Cllr Mrs Jose Green. Attended a members briefing on help to live at home, met new Good Neighbour for Fovant who is willing to brief Fovant PC on the role. SWWAB agreed to purchase a SID, need to liase with Bev Ford from Tisbury Community Safety Partnership to get village on the list for SID. SWWAB prepared to assist funding for fingerposts, only two applications so far. There will be a pop up shop in Tisbury next week re the Tisbury Campus. Informed Cllrs that a dropped kerb would require planning permission, this is funded by the PC.

11/058. Report from Neighbourhood Police Team. No report had been received by the Council.

Planning. The following planning applications were discussed and decisions made as follows:

11/059. S/2011/1340 Delamere, High Street, Fovant. Re-structuring of roof and extension to form first floor accommodation, plus associated works. Fovant PC resolved to support requesting that planning ensure materials used are sympathetic, particularly roof tiles to a conservation area. Action: Clerk

11/060. S/2011/1346 9 Sling Orchard, Fovant. Rear conservatory. Fovant PC resolved to support. Action: Clerk

11/061. S/2011/1459 Vine Cottage, High St, Fovant. 1 Yew, fell and remove. Fovant PC resolved to support. Action: Clerk

11/062. Proposed Boundary Changes The electoral commission are proposing to put the parish of Fovant into the Salisbury constituency. Cllrs noted this proposal would replace Fovant into its traditional boundary.

11/063. Action Update Arising from the Minutes of the Council Meeting dated 7th September 2011.

1. Minute11/038: The Fovant Parish Council planning application decisions were sent to WC.
2. Minute11/039.1: Transfer of assets. A proposal was circulated and discussed. Resolved to send this to SWWAB, Cllr Phillips will email proposal to Clerk. Action: Clerk

3. Minute 11/039.2&3: Cllrs Leppard and Privett met village hall, notice placed in Three Towers re free survey, as yet no response. Action: Ongoing
4. Minute 11/039.4: Quote from stonemason for work on memorial is still awaited. Action: Ongoing
5. Minute 11/039.5: Clerk has received statement from the R2 Officer but no details of actual available funds. Clerk to contact and get detailed breakdown. Fovant CC have requested support for groundcover (approx £800) and boundary rope (approx £300), both adult funding. Agenda item for November. Action: Clerk
6. Minute 11/39.6: Wiltshire Council South West Core Strategy. The Inspectors report should be published shortly.
7. Minute 11/042: The Parish Council made a Donation to Fovant PCC to assist with maintenance of the St George's Church Burial Ground. A thank you has been received.
8. Minute 11/046: Rights of Way – Clerk wrote to landowner re footpath 2, Mr Cowen re footpath 3 and as yet has not managed to make contact with the youth club with a view to having the A30 seating bench refurbished under the community work credit scheme. The Landowner of footpath 3 has contacted the Council explaining why there is an alternative route. FPC stood by decision to ask WC to check safety re construction of stile as landowner may become liable for any injuries.
 - (i) Cllr Leppard will f/w FP3 Landowners email to Clerk for the record Action: Cllr Leppard
 - (ii) Clerk to contact landowner and send email to Mr Cowan Action: Clerk
 - (iii) Footpath 5 – Cllr Phillips has spoken to the team, waiting for inspection. Action: Ongoing
 - (iv) Footpath 3 – reported that path needs reinstating, Clerk to contact Landowner Action: Clerk
9. Minute 11/048: Clerk sent letter to vehicle operators re tractor speeds. It was reported that landowner felt maligned at the naming of him when there are other farms and contractors driving through the village. Agreed that in future minutes should not contain names of individuals. Clerk to speak to landowner and apologise for any misrepresentation. Action: Clerk
10. Minute 11/49: Clerk wrote to Dr Andrew Murrison (MP), who advised information should be available from Highways Dept but he will look into this. Cllrs briefly discussed the news that de-limit signs are to be scrapped, but as yet no official confirmation has been received. Action: Ongoing
11. Minute 11/50: Play area. Parish Councillors met on Sunday 11th to inspect the play area. In general it appears satisfactory however, the boggy area at the NW quadrant of the Recreation Ground is still fenced off as Wessex Water wish to undertake some exploratory digging which would not cause any issues for either the play area or residents.

11/065. Finance. To confirm the balance of the PC account and the following cheques, totalling £733.74 were authorised for payment.

(i) cheque no 868 SLCC	Conference	£ 15.60
(ii) cheque no 869 Valley News	Advert	£ 24.00
(iii) cheque no 870 Ken Ayles	Grass cutting	£315.00
(iv) Cheque no 871 Fovant Village Hall	Hall hire	£ 66.00
(v) cheque no 872 Mrs C Churchill	Clerk duties	£313.14

11/066. Drop Kerb Stone Request on Sutton Rd adjacent to Bus Stop at Clays Orchard. - Cllr Potter reported that several residents using motorised wheelchairs have problems getting onto the bus stop and the kerb is damaging the chairs. Resolved that Clerk will contact Wiltshire Council highways and request a dropped kerb is put in. Cllr Potter will meet highway engineers on site if necessary. Action: Clerk

11/068. Compactor Provision for Fovant Parish – This has been booked for Saturday, 29th October 2011. Cllr Story will email Clerk the proposed collection route, Cllr Story and publish in November's Three Towers for circulation delivery before the date. Action: Cllr Story

11/069. Update on Tree Planting to celebrate the Royal Wedding. No invoice has been received, tree should be planted in November, still looking at a suitable plaque. Action: Ongoing

11/070. Report on the SWWAB meeting held on 5th October 2011. Unfortunately no members of Fovant PC were available to attend this meeting. Clerk will circulate minutes when received.

11/071. Highways Maintenance

- (i) Parish Steward will be in the village for 2 days week commencing 7 October.
- (ii) Trees in Deans Lane need cutting back, Cllr Leppard will speak to landowner. Action: Cllr Leppard

11/072. Clerks Report

- (i) WALC AGM will be held on 28th October 2011 at Chippenham, Clerk will attend and Fovant PC resolved that Clerk will vote on behalf Fovant PC.
- (ii) Olympic torch relay meeting was postponed until 1 Nov 2011, Clerk will try and attend. Action: Clerk
- (iii) A CPRE Booklet on how to respond to planning applications received; email link. Action: Clerk

11/073. Parish Councillor Reports

- 1) **Fovant A30 Speed Limit.** Cllr Phillips reported that the reduction to 30mph on the A30 bend will be advertised in October and should be in place in January 2012. Cllr Phillips has spoken to Mr Thomas (WC). If WC sticks to its plan to increase the outer section to 50 mph, FPC will need to ensure that affected householders have an opportunity to react. It was noted that the road concerned contains a busy junction leading to Broadchalke; it was suggested that a metro count be undertaken on either side of the junction before the speed limit is increased. Clerk to request a copy of the notice prior to it being advertised. Action: Clerk
- 2) **A30 triangle** – highways were reminded of experiment on 1 way traffic flows, committee are willing to consider alternative options. Cllr Phillips will speak to Road Safety Group. Action: Cllr Phillips
- 3) **National Planning Policy Document (NPPD)** Cllr Knowles said a proposed response to the Government's draft (NPPD) had been circulated to Councillors. Council noted a few alterations proposed by Councillor Phillips. Resolved that the response be sent before the due date with any comment received by Cllr Knowles as Clerk is away at the weekend. Action: Cllr Knowles

11/074. Next Parish Council Meeting

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 8th November 2011 at 7.15pm in the village hall. Any items for the agenda should be sent to the clerk before 24th October 2011.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.09 p.m.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: Tuesday 8th November 2011 at 7.15 p.m. in the Village Hall. The public are always welcome.

DATES OF FUTURE MEETINGS: 10 January 2012; 7 February 2012; 6 March 2012 and 27 March (Annual Parish Meeting)

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 7 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.southwilts.co.uk/site/Fovant-Parish-Council/index/htm) and in Three Towers Community magazine.