

**DRAFT MINUTES OF A MEETING OF FOVANT PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON
1st September 2015 IN THE VILLAGE HALL.**

Present Cllrs Havard, Holmes (Chairman), Phillips and Mrs Turner.
In attendance; Mrs C Churchill (Clerk). Wilts Cllr Mrs Green and no members of the public.
Apologies Cllrs Dunn, Mrs Jones and Swift. PC Fergusson.

There were no questions or statements from members of the public on any matter concerning the village.

Report from the Tisbury Neighbourhood Police Team. Apologies received.

Report received from Wiltshire Councillor Mrs Jose Green.

- Delighted to hear about the clearance of the bridleway.
- SWWAB is hoping to run additional first aid courses. Parishioners who attend the SWWAB courses are expected to have their names in the public domain as trained first aiders.
- Visited the mechanical treatment plant at Westbury and requested that WC Scrutiny look again at the HRCs opening hours.
- Stephen Harris is nor the Community Engagement Manager
- SWWAB meeting on 2nd September to discuss Wilton Parkway and Tisbury Campus COB arrangements.
- Announcement expected shortly re BBLB contract

Cllr Holmes opened the meeting at 7.01pm

15/072. Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Dunn, Mrs Jones and Swift – all conflicting social engagements.

Fovant PC resolved to approve the absences for the reason sgiven.

Local Government Act 1972 s85(1)

15/073. Chairman's announcements. None.

15/074. Declarations of Interest. Members to declare any interests they may have in agenda items. None received.

15/075. Exclusion of the press and public. None required.

Public Bodies (Admissions to Meetings) Act 1960 and Local Government Act 1972 ss100

15/076. Council meeting minutes - to confirm and sign the minutes of the parish council meeting held on 7th July 2015.

Fovant PC resolved to approve the previously circulated Minutes without amendment and they were signed by the Chairman.

15/077. Council meeting minutes - to confirm and sign the minutes of the parish council planning meeting held on 4th August 2015.

Fovant PC resolved to approve the previously circulated Minutes without amendment and they were signed by the Chairman.

15/078. To receive brief reports from Cllrs.

Flood Warden – Cllr Holmes reported that funding is now in place for the new bridge at Fovant Chapel and the owners will be requesting planning permission for its replacement. The Brook working party will restart on 5th September with general clearance, followed by rubble removal from under the bridge at Rose Cottage.

In October there will be a training exercise to test the various elements of our readiness for the coming winter.

Highways – Cllr Holmes reported that Church Lane has been resurfaced but requires some attention to metalwork.

Rights of Way – Cllr Mrs Turner reported the bridleway behind the old school was now clear thanks to Steve Collins.

Website – Cllr Havard has updated the website. Clerk to send budget / spend spreadsheet for uploading.
Clerk

Dropped kerbs – Cllr Havard has collated the detail of dropped kerbs in the parish and now needs to complete the map.
Cllr Havard

Invasive Plants – Cllr Phillips noted a suspicious plant which was reported to WWT. It was felt this was a native species and therefore no concern. To be monitored next year and any photos should include something to show the size of the plant.

15/079. Co-option of Cllr. A vacancy for a Parish Councillor has been advertised and maybe filled by co-option.

There was no one present to co-opt.

15/080. Update of actions from the meeting dated 7th July 2015.

1. (15/043) Clerk has contacted Electoral services re vacancy, this has been advertised.

15/081 To consider supporting a request from Fovant Stores to place two information signs on the A30 informing drivers that Fovant has a shop and post office. WC will not look at a request until the PC has confirmed support. Fovant PC is awaiting information from the applicant.

No information has been received.

Cllr Phillips will visit the shop and clarify that they need to apply with details of size and location.

Cllr Phillips.

15/082 First Aid and Defibrillators.

- (i) To consider any comments received.
No further comments have been received.
- (ii) To consider running a First aid course in the parish.
St John's Ambulance will do a course for £25 per person based on 12 people attending.
Clerk will look at the responses received and contact those interested re the SWWAB course.
- (iii) To consider purchasing a defibrillator for the parish.
Nothing to report.
Cllr Mrs Turner will speak to the two ladies who attended the Tisbury First Aid course and ask if they have any objection to being named as trained first aiders.

15/083 To respond to Wiltshire Council on the following planning application.

- (i) **15/06625. Greystones, Green Drove.** Single storey side extension.
Fovant PC resolved to support this application.

15/084 To consider how to respond to any planning applications made after the publication of this agenda. None known.

15/085 Tree applications. To consider any requests for tree work in the parish made after the publication of this agenda. None.

15/086. To note the following planning decisions made by Wiltshire Council.

- (i) 15/05769. Millbrook Trout Farm, Mill Lane. Approve.
- (ii) 15/05974. Cross Keys, Fovant. Refuse.
- (iii) 15/05976. Meadow House, Dinton Rd. Approve with conditions.

Fovant PC noted the above planning decisions.

15/087. To note the response received from WC regarding Fovant being listed as a Larger Village. The response had been circulated.

It was noted that the assessment was incorrect at the time of adoption, Planners agreed to change the status with the Inspector but as this would cause problems with other large villages it was never insisted upon.

Fovant PC have not seen any subsequent assessments

Fovant PC resolved to request all assessment criteria.

Clerk

15/088. Rights of way. To consider applying for SWWAB RoW project funding for improvements and enhancement to FOVANT 07 and 08.

Fovant PC resolved to request funding from SWWAB for rights of way.

Clerk

Finance

15/089 Year ending 31st March 2016.

(i) To note the balance of the accounts

Fovant PC noted the balance of the accounts stands at £10,519.22 with £312.33 in unrepresented cheques making an available balance of £10,206.89

(ii) To authorise payments due.

Fovant PC authorised payments totalling £939.17

Local Government Act 1972 s150(5). Account and Audit Regulations 2003 reg 4

15/090. To note the report from the external auditor (Grant Thornton) on the Annual Return for the year ending 31st March 2015.

There were no matters raised.

Fovant PC noted the report from the External Auditor.

15/091. To review the Insurance Schedule and Asset Register.

Clerk circulated a first draft.

It was noted that a value is needed for the war memorial. Clerk will obtain a value.

Clerk

Clerk to seek quote for recreation ground fence.

Clerk

To remain on the agenda.

15/092 Clerk's Report.

Annual Return received, notification of changes to the dates for the year ending 31/3/2016.

Satisfaction survey received from Grant Thornton, completed and returned.

Minster Street in Wilton will be closed overnight on 8th October.

Attended Passenger Transport workshop on 15th July – report attached.

Attended CATG on 20th July – report attached.

Attended SWWAB on 29th July – report attached.

SWWAB on 2nd September at Wilton

SWWAB on 7th October at Wilton

Attended - Operational Flood Working Group on 1st September.

SLCC branch meeting on 18th September.

CATG – date to be confirmed.

15/093 20mph Bid. To receive an update. Clerk reported that the metrocount will be put down shortly and it is hoped to have the results and costs of a scheme by the November meeting in time for setting the budget.

15/094. To note items for the agenda of the next meeting. The next PC meeting will be held on Tuesday 6th October 2015 at 7.00pm. Any items for the agenda should be sent to the Clerk before Tuesday 22nd September 2015

Cllr Holmes closed the meeting at 9.04pm

FUTURE MEETINGS: Fovant Parish Council will meet on the following Tuesdays;

6th October and 3rd November,

All meetings will commence at 7.00pm unless stated otherwise on the notice boards.