Fovant Parish Council

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DRAFT MINUTES OF A MEETING OF FOVANT PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 8th JANUARY 2013 IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

Present Cllrs Knowles, Havard (Chairman), Phillips, Potter, Privett, Roberts and Mrs Story. In attendance; Mrs C Churchill (Clerk). Wiltshire Cllr Mrs Green, 5 members of the public.

Apologies Cllrs Gorse and Mrs Law

Questions or statements from members of the public on any matter concerning the village.

Kay Hay from Dinton school updated Fovant PC on the school swimming pool project.

The work to the pool was completed in March 2013 but they were unable to get everything in place to open to the public.

A lot of work behind the scenes including access to changing room and health and safety. It was difficult to gain agreement with the School Governors.

It was too complicated to use the school liability insurance so FODS will run the pool without relying on school staff.

New Head Teacher in place

Currently sorting out locks for access and phone / alarm as well as liability insurance.

Trained two lifeguards

Intend to open at Easter, initially for a Friday evening session and then hopefully a Saturday morning with more times in the summer holidays.

A question was asked on insurance cost and how this will be funded.

FODS have set money aside for this.

Pool Management Committee consists of 4 FODS members, hope to present Governors with all the required documentation. They will consider letting the pool for private events.

Hedges in the village have been cut but a terrible mess has been left behind – who should clear this up.

The landowner or contractor cutting the hedge would be responsible

Speeding reported in the High Street

Question raised on licensing laws, Parishioner informed this is not a matter for the PC but should go to the licensing department of Wiltshire Council.

Village Hall have just applied for a grant from SWWAB to modify the village hall roof. It is hoped that Fovant PC will support this bid.

Brief presentation on development at New Barn, Fovant.

Owner runs Gurston shoot and Gurston Hill Climb. Wish to convert buildings into accommodation for shooting clients. There are approx 30 shoots per year.

Venue would become main reception area for the shoot.

Have approached other shoots in the locality, they all have the same problem with no suitable accommodation.

Have consulted with AONB and Planning.

Hope to submit an application in the next month.

Report from the Tisbury Neighbourhood Police Team. Cllr Havard will circulate an emailed report.

Report from Wiltshire Councillor Mrs Jose Green.

Pleased to see Fovant submitted a request for white lining.

CATG meet on 15th January 2013.

Revised 30mph received, Cllr Phillips has circulated this.

Serves on scrutiny for waste services – Hills contract up for renewal in 2016.

Serves on scrutiny for changes within the NHS.

Noted that Fovant PC have applied to SWWAB for playground grant.

Will be meeting with business sectors in SWW to promote tourism.

SWWAB funding an apprentice scheme specialising in promoting tourism in conjunction with AONB

Cllr Havard opened the meeting at 8.12pm

12/187. Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Gorse (personal) and Mrs Law (unwell).

Fovant PC resolved to accept the apologies for the reasons given.

Local Government Act 1972 s85(1)

12/188. Chairman's announcements. Wished to thank Mrs Bickerton for all her efforts re the Jubilee tree at Clays Orchard.

Thank you to Dave Evans who routinely removes debris from the drains.

Thank you to Cllr Potter who also removes debris from the drains.

Thank you to Lee and Andy (Parish Stewards) for attending to the drains in the recent bad weather.

Thank you to all the other parishioners who also help out with village matters.

12/189. Dispensation of Cllrs Interests.

Cllrs Havard, Knowles, Phillips, Potter, Privett, Roberts and Mrs Story all requested dispensation to set the Parish Precept.

Fovant PC resolved to Grant the Dispensations. These will expire on 2nd May 2013. *Localism Act 2011.*

12/190. Exclusion of the press and public. None.

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

12/191. Council meeting minutes - to confirm and sign the minutes of the parish council meeting held on 6th November 2012.

Fovant PC resolved to accept the previously circulated Minutes with the following amendments, as a true record.

12/162 Change 5th Nov to 5th Dec

12/163.2 change hear to heard

12/169 Clrl should read Cllr

12/177 correct spelling of circulated

The amended Minutes were signed by the Chairman.

12/192. Council meeting minutes - to confirm and sign the minutes of the parish council Planning meeting held on 26th November 2012.

Fovant PC resolved to accept the previously circulated Minutes as a true record. The Minutes were signed by the Chairman.

12/193. To receive brief reports from Cllrs.

(i) Highways – Cllr Mrs Story.

Salt bin delivered to Moor Hill – WC have been thanked, residents have thanked Cllr Mrs Story. Balfour Beatty will replace Ringway in June taking over Parish Stewards and Streetscene. Fovant PC need to impress on WC and Highways that the same level of service is expected. Finger post by the village hall has been repaired, a thank you to two villagers; a little more work still to do but then post will be restabilized by Cllrs Potter and Mrs Story when weather permits. Highways are again looking at the water problem at Tisbury rd / Mill lane. Remedial work has been completed but are certain problem is from springs and nothing more can be done. Tisbury rd is on the gritting route and there is a salt bin at Mill Lane, please could parishioners throw salt on the inclines either side of the triangle when necessary.

A request for white lines has been submitted.

Church Lane again a big problem, springs and water table are the problem, manhole needs to be kept clear and marked.

Straw on Dinton rd, west of village hall, previously collected and bagged by a parishioner who is rather disappointed it has happened again.

Enquiry about flooding West of Dean Lane, Cllr Mrs Story will report to Highways.

- (ii) Rights of Way Cllr Knowles reported no complaints had been received, the issues with the gate have been resolved.
- (iii) Village Hall Cllr Privett. Grant application submitted for roof modification. Quiz on 18th January.
- (iv) Neighbourhood Watch Cllr Mrs Law. Will attend next NHW meeting in January.
- (v) TCSP Cllr Mrs Law missed the last meeting but hopes to attend the next.
- (vi) Youth issues Cllr Roberts have identified a suitable candidate for Youth Group but waiting on references.
- (vii) SWWAB Cllr Phillips. Nothing to report.
- (viii) CATG Cllr Phillips. Dean Lane issue went nowhere, Tom Gardner is currently looking at all signage. Tom Gardner (WC highways technician) will come and talk about triangle once speed limit is finalised.

WC fairly negative on 20mph but this is on the CATG agenda.

Parking at The Poplars – another meeting in February.

- (ix) TAPCAP Cllr Knowles, about to release a newsletter to update on CAMPUS news.
- (x) Environmental Group Cllr Story leaflet in Three Towers, cardboard recycling back at Cross Keys thanks to Maidments.

12/194. Update of actions from the meeting dated 6th November 2012.

1. (12/162) Difficulties in closing gate on Brook st to Downs footpath. This has been resolved.

Clerk informed landowner that the stile on footpath 14 was broken.

- 2. (12/162.ii) CATG will discuss Fovant to Broadchalke road.
- 3. (12/165) Cllr Phillips discussed Dean Lane accident at CATG, it is unlikely anything will be done as there are no reported accidents.
- 4. (12/166) Cllr Phillips made contact with Cranbourne Chase AONB re rural roads. All other actions appear within the agenda
- **12/195. Standing Orders for Fovant PC.** Following the November meeting the Standing Orders for Fovant PC have been amended.

Delegation – Local Govt Act 1972 section 101.

A local authority may arrange for the discharge of any of their functions to a committee, sub committee or an Officer of the authority or by any other local authority.

All meetings of the Parish Council at which a decision is to be made must be held in accordance with the Local Govt Act 1972 schedule 12.

To adopt the amended Standing Orders for Fovant PC.

Fovant PC resolved to accept the amended Standing Orders.

Clerk to send a new version to each Cllr.

Clerk

- **12/196. Budget for 2013 2014.** To set the budget for the financial year 2013 2014. Fovant PC resolved to approve the previously discussed budget.
- **12/197. To request a Precept for the year 2013 2014.** To request from Wiltshire Council the precept for the financial year 2013 2014. Fovant PC resolved to request a Precept from WC of £6000.
- **12/198. Fovant Community Fete 2013.** A request has been received asking if the fete may once again be held at the Recreation Ground on Saturday 29th June 2013 from 2pm to 5pm. They wish to erect a marquee for the tea tent as well as gazebos and shelters for the stallholders and band. The request confirms they have insurance in place for that day. The committee are also seeking approval from WC to use the grounds at Clays Orchard. Fovant PC resolved to agree that the Fete may be held at the Recreation Ground.
- **12/199. Community Assets.** Proposal to review assets within Fovant that may be suitable for nomination and to bring draft proposals to a future meeting. Cllr Knowles Fovant PC agreed to list the Pembroke Arms as a village asset. Cllr Knowles The following assets are to be agreed at the next meeting; Shop, Surgery, Village Hall, Rainbow Centre and Recreation Ground.
- **12/200. Planning meetings** proposals to hold fortnightly planning meetings Cllr Mrs Story explained this was not what she requested. Cllr Mrs Story wished to return to Planning Meetings for all Planning Applications, no minutes to be kept but the response form to be filed as a record for the Parish Council.

After discussion it was agreed that

If the application is a significant impact then a separate meeting should be called.

Minutes of all PC meetings must be kept by law (LGA 1972 sch 12).

The response form could be completed at the meeting and submitted the following day.

12/201. Fovant Village Hall. To receive an update from Cllr Privett on the roof. One quote has been received. Village Hall want help and support. Intend to insulate roof whilst doing repair.

Fovant PC resolved that the Parish Clerk is delegated to write a letter of support to SWWAB once the application has been received and viewed by Cllrs.

Fovant PC resolved that if required the budget set aside of £200 could be released to assist with funding this project.

12/202. Speed Indicator Device. This is owned by WC and deployed in the South West Wilts area.

Fovant PC resolved that Cllr Phillips should liase with Mrs Payton re possible sites in Fovant for deployment.

Cllr Phillips

The sites must be circulated to all Cllrs.

Cllr Phillips

12/203. To review the previously circulated draft report from Rural Housing concerning the recent Housing Survey carried out within the Parish.

Fovant PC noted that the response was good, useful and interesting data, much better than previously thought.

Fovant PC were unsure of what was required for the input from them for Page 3, to be an agenda item at the APM.

Survey results to be published in the March / April Three Towers.

Cllr Mrs Story

12/204. **To receive an update on the Childrens Playground Upgrade.** The grant has been submitted and will be discussed at the SWWAB meeting on 6th February 2013.

No action to be taken on ordering bark until outcome is known.

RoSPA report received, Clerk to scan and circulate.

Clerk

Bin overflowing, Cllr Mrs Story will sort out a wheelie bin for bag collection.

Cllr Mrs Story

12/205. To receive an update on the Removal of the High St post box. Nothing to report.

12/206. To receive an update on the Recreation Ground transfer of asset request.

Clerk raised this at the SWWAB meeting held on 5th December.

Stephen Harris has been chasing this but it is unlikely to be on the next SWWAB agenda. The asset is deemed as high category so needs Cabinet approval.

Finance

12/207. Year ending 31st March 2013. The balance of the accounts stands at £2,740.57 with £351.71 in uncleared payments.

Payments totalling £693.30 were authorised for payment.

Cllr Knowles reported the tree planting at East Farm on 24th March required a budget of £600, a breakdown will be provided for the next meeting.

Local Government Act 1972 s150(5)

Account and Audit Regulations 2008

12/208. Planning. To note the following application for tree works.

S/2012/1749. The Gables, High St. Fovant. Fell 1 x Weymouth Pine, fell 2 x beech.

Fovant PC noted this application.

12/209. Current consultations. None

Cllr Mrs Story reported that she had forwarded the email received from Fovant CC asking for sponsorship and one person will detail this to Chamber of Commerce members.

12/210. Clerk's Report.

The following emails have been f/w to Cllrs;

WC Town and Parish newsletter

Details of Fovant speed limit changes

WC flooding update

WALC AGM

Details of planning application for land adjacent to The Willows

SWWAB housing meeting - rescheduled date

WALC news re council tax base

Decision on Fovant Hse planning application

TCSP agenda

SWWAB white lines initiative

Shaftesbury Task Force

SWWAB Parish exercises dates

WC Housing survey draft report

AONB Nadder news

SWWAB presentation

SWWAB info on digital literacy

Invite to PC dinner

Shaftesbury Task Force

Presentation by Blackdown Hills

Wiltshire Intelligencer

Legacy for Wiltshire – meeting in January at Salisbury.

Attended SWWAB meeting at Wilton on 5th December

Attended Parish Council dinner at Grassmere Hotel re Neighbourhood Plans

Attended SLCC regional meeting at Southampton.

A lot of information on precepts and council tax base figures. PC's will not be capped for 2013-2014.

12/211. To note items for the agenda of the next meeting to be held on Tuesday 5th February 2013.

Please note that all agenda items must be sent to the Clerk before Monday 28th January 2013. Clerk asked to submit notice for meeting to Cllr Mrs Story for the Three Towers.

Cllr Havard closed the meeting at 10.12pm.

FUTURE MEETINGS:

Fovant PC will meet at Fovant Village Hall at 7.30pm on the following Tuesdays; 5th February, 5th March, 14th May.

The Annual Parish Meeting will take place on Tuesday 2nd April 2013 at the Village Hall.