

DRAFT MINUTES OF A MEETING OF FOVANT PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 9th JANUARY 2018 IN THE VILLAGE HALL.

Present Cllrs Havard, Holmes, Horne, Mrs Jones, Smith, Swift and Mrs Turner.
In attendance; Mrs C Churchill (Clerk). 3 members of the public. WC Cllr Mrs Green.
Apologies Cllr Dunn and Phillips

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

Resident of The Elms has spoken to most of the other residents re the parking issue.

Half of the properties are still owned by the local authority.

A map was circulated attached to comments received from residents,

Would like to clarify what land WC owns and the legal entity of car parking spaces.

Clerk will contact someone in Housing to try and ascertain this information.

Fovant PC confirmed it would cover the cost of hall hire for a residents meeting.

Two residents wished to speak about the planning application for Brookway. Their comments appear at the agenda item.

Report from the Tisbury Community Police Team. No report received, Clerk will circulate the monthly report when it is received.

Report from Wiltshire Councillor.

WISHING YOU ALL A HAPPY AND HEALTHY NEW YEAR.

The PCC (Angus Macpherson) office is looking for the views of Wiltshire residents regarding the proposal of a £1 per month uplift of the Policing precept for Band D properties.

Currently Band D households contribute £14:19p per month but if residents back the proposal this would rise to £15:19p pm. The consultation runs until the end of January.

As a force, Wiltshire Police has seen the 2nd highest increase in demand across the country yet the funding from Central Government is the 4th lowest per head of population in England and Wales.

The Local Government Boundary review for the possibility of new electoral arrangements in the future is progressing. This includes the boundaries of Divisions; the total number of Councillors to be elected to the Council; the number of Councillors to be elected from each Division and it will address the issue of electoral inequality.

The gritters have been out and about spreading 830 tonnes of salt along 1300kms of Wiltshire roads so far. This figure is rising as we go through the winter months. 50 trees on Council land fell overnight when Storm Elenor hit Wiltshire.

It is intended to have a big drive on Waste and Litter this coming year. The Clean up Wilts project will be on the weekend of the 2nd-4th March. It will run in much the same manner as the previous litter pick-up days.

Wiltshire Council has been short listed as a finalist in the Local Authority category of the Keep Britain Tidy Network Awards in recognition of the Great BRITISH Spring Clean last March when 3,200 volunteers took part in 152 litter picks, gathered 3,025 bags weighing 18:15 tonnes. The winner will be announced in February. £2:5million per year is spent on litter clearance and this is money that could be better spent elsewhere if this illegal offence was stopped. Food Johanna's are currently available at 1/2 price on the Wiltshire website for those who prefer to dispose of their surplus food rather than placing it wrapped into the grey bin.

I'm sure you are aware of the increase in Carparking fees. There were 1400 responses to the consultation. 63% supported the increase which will commence on February 1st. The last increase was in 2011. Other options such as parking on Sundays, Bank holidays, static cameras outside of schools, number plate recognition in residential parking zones and the free Christmas parking arrangements will be decided at Cabinet at the end of the month.

I was pleased to support Fovant's Youth Club's Area Board grant application for £2 thousand for improvements to their club house.

The next SWW Area Board is on the 7th February in Tisbury when James Body from Bowerchalke will be giving an update on the CHALKE Valley mobile phone reception project and how our Broad Band speeds could be increased. He is an expert on the subject so it should be very interesting.

I'm very pleased to support Swallowcliffe, Fovant and Ansty with the Speed Indication Device that they will be sharing and I wish Swallowcliffe further success with the proposals to introduce a 20mph speed limit. The grants awarded on both projects give the support that small villages desperately require and deserve.

Cllr Havard enquired about grants for a community event and was advised of SWWAB grants. It was noted that the parish council should support the grant by contributing.

Cllr Havard opened the meeting at 7.41pm

0126. Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Dunn (unwell) and Cllr Phillips (conflicting social engagement).

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

Local Government Act 1972 s85(1)

0127. Council meeting minutes - to confirm and sign the minutes of the parish council meeting held on 7TH November 2017.

The following amendment was made to the previously circulated draft Minutes.

0123. Trees to commemorate 1918.

Fovant PC resolved to plant 5 trees in the Churchyard if Fovant PCC agree.

Changed to;

Fovant PC discussed planting 5 trees in the Churchyard if Fovant PCC agree.

Fovant PC resolved to approve the amended Minutes which were signed by the Chairman.

0128. Interests.

- (i) Cllrs to declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests related to any matters to be considered in this agenda that do not appear in the Cllr's register of interests.
None declared.
- (ii) In accordance with the Dispensation Procedure, any requests for a grant of dispensation must be submitted prior to this meeting.
None received.

Cllrs were reminded that it is their responsibility to ensure their register of interests on the WC website is kept up to date.

0129. Exclusion of the press and public. To agree any items to be dealt with after the public, including the press, have been excluded under. Not required.

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

PLANNING

0130. To respond to Wiltshire Council on the following planning application

17/12047. Brookway, Tisbury Rd. Single storey front kitchen extension with alteration to roof, and new rear conservatory.

Cllrs looked at the plans.

7.58pm Standing Orders were suspended to allow members of the public to comment

The plan is incorrect as it is closer to the boundary than shown.

No flood risk assessment despite being in a category 3 flood risk zone.

Extension will reduce surface drainage and impede the ability to access the flood

Design and privacy issue on neighbouring property (Rose Cottage)

Previous application for this site had conditions that can not be followed if this application is approved.

8.16pm Standing Orders were re-instated.

Fovant PC discussed the concerns raised.

Fovant PC resolved to object for the following reasons;

- Insufficient information to enable the parish council to make a decision.
- No Flood Risk Assessment showing how they will deal with flooding following recent flood events. Site of new conservatory is a choke point to which previous flood water was funnelled and neighbouring flood defences have been constructed following consultation with the Environment Agency.
- Concern of overlooking and loss of privacy of neighbouring property.

- Concern at the inaccuracy of the location plan provided.

Fovant PC resolved to request Wiltshire Cllr Mrs Green call this application into committee should the Officer be minded to approve.

Fovant PC advised the local resident to respond to WC Planning.

0131. To note the following application that has been approved.

17/07546. Hazeldene, Sutton Road. Erection of conservatory to the front of the property.

Fovant PC noted the application.

0132. To consider how to respond to any planning applications made after the publication of this agenda. There were none.

0133. To consider any requests for tree work in the parish made after the publication of this agenda. None received.

Finance

0134. Year ending 31st March 2018.

- (i) To note the balance of the accounts

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| Opening balance | £ 5,411.95 |
| Receipts | £13,456.16 |
| Payments | £ 5998.10 |
| Closing balance | £12,870.01 |

£1561.32 of the closing balance is currently ringfenced for transparency funding leaving a balance of £11,308.69
The R2 money has been received
Fovant PC resolved to note the bank reconciliation.
- (ii) To authorise payments due.
Fovant PC resolved to authorise payments totalling £359.43
- (iii) To authorise the purchase of the Community SID.
This item was deferred till the next meeting.

Local Government Act 1972 s150(5). Account and Audit Regulations 2011

0135. Highway matters. To receive updates if available

- (i) **Parking on Tisbury Road near the Elms.** Following the update received prior to the start of the meeting, Fovant PC noted the information. Ongoing
- (ii) **20mph limit.** update from Cllr Phillips. The matter was discussed at CATG on 8th November. Ongoing
- (iii) **Pavement at the A30 / High St junction.** To consider options for this junction.
Clerk has received a letter from Dr Murrison asking is this has been referred to CATG – it has.
Clerk to contact WC and ask when the dropped kerbs are scheduled to be done. Clerk
- (iv) **Community Speed Watch.**
Training took place on 21st December. Cllr Holmes confirmed that 3 parishioners had attended.
Waiting for the risk assessment to be completed.
Cllr Holmes asked about the provision of the Community Speed Watch area signs.
Clerk will enquire. Clerk

0136. Community SID. To receive an update from Cllr Phillips.

Cllr Phillips had circulated an update via email. Item was deferred to the next meeting. Ongoing
(i) To resolve to sign the Community SID agreement.
(ii) To resolve to apply for the SWWAB grant for the Community SID.

0137. Update of Actions from the Minutes dated 7th November.

All actions appear under the relevant item.

0138. Parish Steward List. To agree items to be added to the Parish Steward list.

- Parish Steward has looked at the flood by Pond House today but flood had gone – to be monitored.
- Concern at the state of local roads, lamination at Sling Orchard is a particular concern.
- Bridleway sign by Weeping Ash has been damaged
- Condition of the ground near Middle Ground.

0139. To receive brief reports from Cllrs.

Cllr Mrs Jones reported that the Village Hall Committee has discussed the provision of a shed to store furniture. A letter was passed to the Clerk.

Clerk to write to the Diocesan Board asking for permission to erect a shed. Clerk

Cllr Smith has volunteered to join the A303 Community Forum.

0140. Trees to commemorate 1918. At the last meeting Fovant PC resolved to plant 19 trees within the parish to commemorate those who died during the First World War.

Rev Southgate had been in contact with Cllr Holmes and the Clerk concerned about the decision to plant trees within the Churchyard. If trees are to be planted a licence is required from the Diocesan office which costs £300.

Clerk to write to Fovant PCC and ask if trees could be planted. Clerk

If Fovant PCC agree then Clerk to ascertain cost of Diocesan permission to plant trees and whether the cost is per tree or per application. Clerk

Fovant PC will also look into planting trees along the A30 to create a little avenue.

Cllr Holmes will speak to the landowner re land from Green Drove to the High Street. Cllr Holmes

Cllr Havard will speak to the landowner re land between West Farm and Fifield turning / Dean lane (both sides of the A30). Cllr Havard

0141. Clerk's Report.

Consultation on increase of police precept runs until the 31st January.

CATG on 10th January 2018

SWWAB on 7th February 2018

Advance notice of a bike event on 11th March – this is starting at the race course and going along the Chalke valley.

0142. To note items for the agenda of the next meeting. The next PC meeting will be held on Tuesday 6th February 2018 at 7.00pm. Any items for the agenda should be sent to the Clerk before Thursday 25th January 2018.

Cllr Havard closed the meeting at 9.09pm