

FULKING PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting Held on Thursday 6th October 2011 at 7.30pm

Agenda Item	Agenda Detail	Minute	Action
1	Election of Chairman for the balance of the Council Year.	The Clerk asked for proposals for a Chairman for the balance of the Council year (until May 2012) - of the Council year. Cllr D Slavin. Proposed KW. Seconded PR.	
1	Chairman's Welcome & Apologies for Absence	16 Members of the public present along with the following Members of the PC: David Slavin (DS), Pam Rowland (PR), Kate Watson (KW) and Linda Dyos (LD) Also present: Jenny Hartley - Clerk to the Council. Meeting opened by DS. DS informed those present that sadly Michael Trist had to step down from his position of Chairman of the PC due to personal health issues. Apologies had been received from MT	
2	Meeting Adjournment	Meeting adjourned at 7.58pm	

	<i>Presentation from Preston Nomads – Mr Paul Hird (Chairman).</i>	<p>Paul Hird – Chairman of PN was welcomed to the meeting. PH gave a presentation on the current status of PN. PN's play in the Sussex League, which is a high quality league. There is a very strong girls' team at PN's– this team is attending the County trials in the near future. There is also a strong stoolball team at PN's.</p> <p>Forthcoming Events: 28.10.11 – Quiz night, Children's Christmas Party and 3 day workshop for children all in December. Residents were encouraged to use the pavilion during the winter months for events, for a minimal fee for covering the cost of heating.</p> <p>Issues relating to traffic and speed were highlighted to Mr Herd. Mr Hird confirmed PN's regularly write to their Members and visiting teams to remind them of the dangers of speeding in the area and country lanes. It was noted that should any of the lights be left on at the pavilion, residents were encouraged to call Mrs Robinson on 255. Thanks extended to Mr Hird for joining the PC this evening. Members were invited to attend PN committee meetings held once a quarter.</p>	<p>Clerk to add the contact for lights (if left on at the pavilion), please call Mrs Robinson on 255.</p> <p>Include a link to PN on the village website and advertise the contact number in PP.</p> <p>Consider inviting PN to the Annual Parish Meeting and other PC meetings in the future.</p>
	<i>2.2 Questions from Members of the Public</i>	The Pump House was raised by Mr Brooks – The Clerk informed everyone that the Nat Trust have been contacted and we are awaiting a response.	
	<i>2.3 To receive reports from MSDC Representative</i>	Absent	
	<i>2.4 To receive report from WSCC Representative</i>	Absent	
3	Declaration of Members Interests	Nil	
4	Approval of the minutes from the last Ordinary Parish Council meeting held on 7.7.11	Minutes approved by all and signed by the Chairman. .	
5	Action Points from the Minutes	Nil	
7	Planning 7.1 New Applications	Nil	

	7.2 Recent Decisions of the Planning Authority	Application for Elmside recently discussed, however MSDC was minded to approve the application	
	7.3 Enforcement Issues		
	(i) Lower Kents	PR updated: There is no further news. MSDC are waiting for a response to questions from the applicant.	
	(ii) Market Garden	<p>The applicant had been offered the opportunity to put an application in before 26.9.11, MSDC are waiting on SDNP to confirm who will be handling this application – (MSDC or SDNP). This is estimated to take approx. 1 month. Should SDNP not respond, MSDC will write to the applicant and give suitable notice.</p> <p>The PC have written to SDNP and MSDC in July, and chased again August, September and more recently,(see below dates) and this issue continues to be very frustrating. Unfortunately the Officials from WSCC and MSDC are not present this evening to assist us with moving this issue forward.</p> <p>8.7.11 – Letter to MSDC and SNDP Chasing 18.7.11 – Message left at MSDC & SDNP chasing 3.8.11 - Letter to MSDC and SNDP Chasing 30.8.11 – Calls to MSDC & SDNP. 12.9.11- Email sent to MSDC & SDNP (Copied to Claire Tester at MSDC) 30.9.11 – Email sent to MSDC & SDNP 3.10.11 - Email sent to MSDC & SDNP 20.10.11 - Email sent to MSDC & SDNP</p>	
	(iii)Old Pump House	Enforcement should have been placed on the applicant at the end of Aug; however this is delayed awaiting a letter from SDNP.	

9	<p>Chairman's Report Chairman's Report Including an Update on Fulking Village Hall Speeding in the Village Village Fair</p>	<p>DS reported there appears to be an imperative to sell the VH. At present there is to be nothing further more factual. The PC feels this is a community issue and invited residents to write to the Parish Clerk or email via the website stating their thoughts on this matter.</p> <p>It was resolved a public meeting will be called to discuss matters relating to the VH as soon as possible.</p> <p>Mr Brooks informed Members the VH was not registered by anyone in the first instance, so the Church did register it and therefore it is now owned by the Church.</p> <p><u>Speeding in the Village</u> – There have been issues relating to speeding within the village. The PC has placed a reminder on the website and via PP, and also written to local Groups reminding them of the need to watch your speed.</p> <p>Grit Bins – list to be added to the website and the PC asked for someone to come forward to help with the grit in The Street.</p>	<p>Website –add the grit bin list and instructions onto the website.</p>
10	<p>Highways/Footpaths/ Rights of Way</p>	<p>Fulking is in the Gatwick Diamond. Assistance needed for the flooding by the Shepherd and Dog. 5 Members of the public are needed to contact highways and inform them of the issues relating to the flooding in order to gain the attention of WSCC. Clerk to investigate the issues relating to footpaths.</p>	
11	<p>Finance Report <i>Approve Payment Schedule for 6.10.11</i> <i>Approval of Year End Accounts 31.3.11</i></p>	<p>See report issued</p>	
12	<p>Notice Board <i>To discuss the possibility of a new notice board for the Parish Council</i></p>	<p>PR has investigated possible locations of a new notice board. This is ongoing.</p>	
13	<p>Members Information/ Questions and Meetings Attended</p>	<p>PR – attended a meeting on 11.7.11 with MSDC Planners. The link to the SDNP did not attend due to annual leave. PR attended a meeting re: Neighbourhood planning – this appeared to have little relevance to Fulking as the discussions were mostly about channelling development.</p>	<p>Add Neighbourhood Planning to the Joint Parish Meeting Agenda.</p>
	<p>Items for the next agenda</p>	<p>Flooding.</p>	

14	Next Meeting Date	Thursday 12 th January 2012 at 7.30pm at Preston Nomad Ground Meeting closed at 20.16pm	
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