

**THE MINUTES OF FARRINGDON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**Tuesday 26/03/2024 7.30pm at Farringdon Village Hall**

*Chair opened meeting at 7.30pm*

1. **Attendees** *Chair J Hutchings, , Cllr. B Pearce, Cllr J Bird, Cllr J Chanot Clerk Mrs A Sayers, several members of the public*
2. **Apologies of absence** *District Cllr E Rylance, District Cllr P Fernley, Cty Cllr S Randall- Johnson*
3. **Declarations of interest in items on the Agenda** *none*
4. **Questions from the Public** - *(max time 15mins not minuted)*
5. **Reports** *Cllr B Pearce advised that he had attended the Bishops Clyst Traffic Group 25/03/24 Key points*
  - *Concern Eastbound 50mph sign too close to Cat & Fiddle cars speeding up*
  - *Community speedwatch 05/03- 23/03 37 drivers reported in C&F area*
  - *Rejection of crossing at C&F too expensive*
  - *SRJ advised of the need for a joint Parish Council assembly to discuss infrastructure and service in respect of Local Plan Option 1 proposal. There must be joint consultation for the community to be able to ensure the stability of the project and protect the area.*
6. **Report from Chair** *none*
7. **To confirm the Minutes of the Farringdon Parish Council Meeting 20/02/2024**  
*Unanimous approval. Chair signed off*
8. **Planning –**
  - a. **24/0588/FUL Proposal: The Change of use from Class B2/B8 industrial to E(d) Indoor Sport , Recreation and Fitness for use as a Paddle Tennis Centre. Including internal alterations , a new café/server area and minor external changes to windows. Location: Unit A B Mushroom Rd., Hill Barton Business Park, Clyst St Mary EX5 1SB. Applicant: Mr S Greenslade, Bonhay House, Mushroom Rd., Hill Barton Business Park.**  
*PC No Concerns Unanimous*
  - b. **Update on Local Plan Process**
    - *Option 1 Infrastructure- lack of information*
    - *Uncertainty re proposals for reducing “green wedges” and provision of green spaces*
  - c. **Any other planning matters** *none*
9. **Parish Council Matters**
  - a. **Co-option of parish councilor – 2 applicants.** *Chair JH proposed Tom Stuart. Cllr J C proposed Angela Fletcher Cllr JB seconded. Angela Fletcher was co-opted by a show of hands 4 - 1*
  - b. **Parishioner Concerns-**
    - *PC thanked landowner for improvements to ditches Parsonage Lane*
    - *PC thanked Cllr JB for clearing fly tipping at Rectory Lane/Parsonage Lane*
    - *Residents have raised concerns that traffic is exiting Waldrons at the top of the lay bye onto the A3052. For years this was a one way system for Waldrons for safety reasons. Traffic is only allowed in from the A3052 and out onto Parsonage Lane. There were devices on the ground to stop vehicles exiting out onto the A3052 for obvious reasons. It appears these have been disabled and all too often vehicles are exiting at the top of the layby.- clerk to action/check with enforcement*

- Resident advised of EA inadequate response to reporting of amenity issues
- Resident raised complaint re minutes

**c. Proposed Lay Bye Planting Project**

- Clerk had contacted a senior lecturer at Bicton College – he advised that he did not do field work but would give details to a more appropriate lecturer who will contact the PC if interested.
- Clerk advised PC to review DCC link “Life On The Verge” detailing North Devon Biosphere project.. Person to lead the lay-bye project from the community required. The PC will continue advertise in The Flyer

**d. Any other Parish Council Matters**

- Bus Shelters- PC discussed requirement for cleaning these on a regular basis. Chair questioned possibility of advertisements and the inclusion of cleaning as part of their contract. Clerk to Action

**10. Finance**

**a. HSBC Statements for both accounts , receipts, received & payments made**

Monthly bank statement reviewed and PC approved. Unanimous

Statement 03/01/24 – 02/02/24 (Sheet no. 424)

	Paid Out	Paid In
<b>02/02/24 BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>£ 9,698.00</b>
23/02/24 DR Total Charges		
To 01 Feb 2024	5.00	9,693.00
28/02/24 SO Sayers S A	450.02	9,242.00
01/03/24 SO Payroll 4Business	10.00	9,232.00
<b>02/03/24 BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD</b>		<b>9,232.98</b>

**b. Payments to be made/ Cheques to be drawn**

none

**11. Matters Arising-** none

**12. Items at Chairman’s Discretion** none

**13. Confirmation of next PC meeting** PC confirmed next meeting 23/04/24

Chair closed meeting 9.10pm

Parish Clerk