

## THE MINUTES OF FARRINGDON PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday 14/01/2025 7.30pm at Farringdon Village Hall

Chair J Hutchings, opened meeting 7.35pm

**1. Attendees** Chair J Hutchings, Vice Chair Cllr J Chanot, Cllr J Bird, Cllr B Pearce, Cllr. A Fletcher Clerk Mrs A Sayers, District. Cllr. E. Rylance several members of the public present

**2. Apologies of absence** District Cllr P Fearnley Cllr. H Gent

**3. Declarations of interest in items on the Agenda** -none

**4. Questions from the Public – 15 minutes allowed** (nb this is not minuted)

**5. PC to approve the minutes of the PC meeting 03/12/24** unanimously approved. Chair JH signed off

**6. Reports** D. C. E Rylance outlined government plans for unitary status. . This would result in the elimination of EDDC and a larger amalgamated council body with a mayoral status. Full details not yet available.

Chair advised that recent report from Cllr S R J also outlined devolution plans

**7. Planning –**

**a. 24/2660/VAR : Proposal: Variation of Condition 3 (approved Plans) on planning permission 24/1239/FUL (Construction and operation of a micro energy storage project) To change the design and specifications of the Battery Box and Battery Equipment . Location: Land At Blackmore Road Clyst St Mary**

**Applicant: Ms Ashleigh Boyce Agent, 1 Dover Street, London W1S 4LD**

Chair JH queried what measures are in place to contain thermal runaway re batteries. The PC discussed the importance of a fire plan. Cllr JB advised he would seek more information from applicant and come back to PC . DC E R informed the PC of a similar Broadclyst application and to look at conditions applied. E R to send link to clerk to circulate

**b. Licence Application Ref No. 059178 Premises: City Padel Exeter- Units A/B Mushroom Road, Hill Barton Business Park, Clyst St Mary Exeter EX5 1SB Applicant: City Padel Centers Ltd**

The PC reviewed the application and agreed that as long as the licence only applied within the building and not for external function use, then the PC had no concerns.

**c. Update on Local Plan Consultation** D. Cllr E Rylance advised that the Local Plan timetable still on track. The housing numbers currently were at the previous rate (943), (still possible this may change depending on EDDC circumstances and central govt.). The new devolution regulations from central government had taken up a great deal of EDDC time, particularly over the Christmas period. – ( D Cllr E R.)

**d. Any other planning matters** none

**8. Parish Council Matters –**

-the BT phone box has still not been collected. The PC queried that the 16 weeks to disconnect the electric must now have passed. Clerk to chase up and inform Chair JH

**a. Parishioner Concerns**

-local residents have notified the PC of excessive noise from EMS described as “ thunder throughout the day, and very audible inside through double glazing”. PC to contact JS- Action clerk

**b. Review of Parishes Online** Nigel Dutt outlined the switch over to Parishes Online and details of the new .gov.uk website and new PC email address. The new live website address is

<https://farringdondevonparishcouncil.gov.uk/>

[clerk@farringdondevonparishcouncil.gov.uk](mailto:clerk@farringdondevonparishcouncil.gov.uk)

clerk advised she would still use the regular email address during the changeover and would keep the PC updated on timings of the switch. The PC thanked N D for his technical help with the change. Chess Broadband is to be notified their services no longer required. Action Clerk

**c. Any other Parish Council Matters**

**9. Finance**

**a. HSBC bank statement and receipts received & payments made– PC to review**

and approve

FPC reviewed HSBC Bank statement sheet no 435

	Paid Out	Paid In	Balance
<b>02/12/24 BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD</b>			<b>12,634.85</b>
23/12/24 DR Total Charges			
To 01 DEC 2024	5.00		12,629.85
30/12/24 SO Sayers S A	450.02		12,179.83
02/01/25 SO Payroll4Business	10.00		12,169.83
<b>02/01/25 BALANCE CARRIED FORWARD</b>			<b>12,169.83</b>

No concerns raised. FPC unanimously approved

**b. Payments to be made against invoices received**

*Invoices 08/01/2025 Parishes Online £450.00- FPC approved payment*

**c. Confirmation of Precept 2025/26 submitted** Clerk confirmed precept had been submitted within deadline required by EDDC

**d. Any other financial business.** None

**10. Items at Chairman's discretion .** None

**11. Confirmation of next PC meeting** PC confirmed next PC meeting 25/02/25  
Chair closed meeting at 9pm

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