

FAIRLIGHT PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Full Council Meeting held at Fairlight Village Hall on Tuesday 28th June 2016 at 7.15pm.

Present: Councillors Revd V. Gibbs (Chair), Mrs J. Annetts, Mrs C. Gallagher, M. Jones, A. King, S. Leadbetter, A. Mier and D. Thatcher. Also present: Dist Cllr R. Bird, Parish Clerk A Evett and members of the public.

16087 Item 1 Apologies for Absence: D Greenup, C Maynard and C Saint.

16088 Item 2 Code of Conduct and Disclosure of Interests: None

16089 Item 3 To Approve the Minutes of the Meeting held 24th May 2016.

The minutes having been distributed prior to the meeting and made available to the Public at the meeting, were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

16090 Item 4 Matters arising from the Minutes not otherwise on the Agenda. None

16091 Item 5 Welcome to the new Clerk. The Chairman introduced and welcomed Mrs Anna Evett, the new Clerk.

16092 Item 6 Financial Matters – resolved as follows:

(a) End of the year 2015/16 report. The Clerk summarised the end of year report presented at the last meeting and added that the forecast for Officer salaries would need to be reviewed due to the requirement to offer a workplace pension. A copy of the report was circulated.

(b) Replacement/repair of the notice board at Knowle Road/Waites. Matter already resolved and repairs completed.

(c) Update on the application for borrowing Approval re Phase 3 of the Cliffs project. The Clerk advised that there was no update from Rother District Council (delayed as linked to the planning approval expected later.)

(d) Approval and Payment of Accounts

The Clerk tabled a list of payments to be made at this meeting.

Approved as follows:-

Cheque No.	Payee	Gross £	VAT (Reclaimable)
1817	AB Fire & Security	49.39	8.23
1818	Mrs V King	xxxxx	
1819	J Edmunds (Sal & Expenses)	xxxxx	
1820	HMRC	xxxxx	
1821	Miss T Robertson	xxxxx	
1822	Mrs J Annetts (expenses)	15.50	
1823	SSALC Limited (Training)	132.00	22.00
1824	Mrs A Evett (Sal & Expenses)	xxxxx	
1825	D Thatcher (Travel exps)	42.75	
1826	A Mier (expenses)	6.00	
1827	Action in rural Sussex	5,478.90	913.15
1828	Fairlight Property Maintenance	338.00	
1829	Mr T King (expenses)	8.00	
1830	Mrs J Annetts (expenses)	42.59	

Cheque(s) numbered 1817 to 1830 signed in advance of meeting due to urgency

16093 Item 7 Use of payroll service for wages. Resolved use a local accountancy service at a monthly cost of £10 per payslip plus VAT to commence immediately.

16094 Item 8 Queen's 90th birthday.

A report had been circulated by Cllr Mrs Annetts who summarised her report highlighting that more than 100 people had attended the event, The Chairman and members congratulated her on a successful event and thanked her for her hard work.

16095 Item 9 Highways and Transport Matters.

Cllr Reverend Gibbs reported that the potholes in the Parish were being dealt with (and some large ones had been reported) and asked residents to continue to report them to ESCC. Fly tipping seems to have

reduced but Cllr Gibbs asked that any new incidents are reported direct to RDC or through the Parish Council. Cllr Jones reported on Speedwatch having recently completed the online and practical training. Four high visibility jackets will need to be purchased costing £56; agreed. Cllr Jones highlighted the case of a resident frequently seen speeding in Broadway; this will be referred to Operation Crackdown.

16096 Item 10 Fairlight Open Gardens

A report from Ms D Lamb had been circulated prior to the meeting and made available to the public present at the meeting. The Chairman extended the Council's thanks and congratulation to Ms Lamb for raising £4,320, far in excess of the £2,000 target.

16097 Item 11 Planning

The Planning report and Planning Committee meeting notes for the last month had been circulated prior to the meeting and made available to the Public at the meeting. The Planning report is attached as an appendix to these minutes. Cllr Leadbetter gave a précis of the report, highlighting the contentious applications and also detailed the work currently being undertaken on the Neighbourhood Plan. He informed the council that the Anchorage site planning application had been rejected by the District Council and that a neighbour planning document had been submitted to RDC for screening opinion that would take 6-8 weeks.

Cllr Leadbetter highlighted a notification that had just been received from Gemselect about a public exhibition that they are holding on the 18th July at the Village Hall. This will be the first opportunity for the Council and residents to see and comment on the proposed plans for the former Market garden site; he urged all residents to attend. The Clerk suggested that the Council join forces with neighbouring Councils to tackle flooding/sewage issues. It was agreed that the Clerk would arrange for a councillor to attend a flooding meeting with Icklesham Parish Council and the MP for Rye and Hastings, and report back.

16098 Item 12 Land Management:

(a) Cllr King reported on the following:-

(1) The wood edging around the playground area – 45 sacks of bark had been delivered and a team of volunteers will install it.

(2) The main playground had been inspected and was in good order.

(3) The Bowls Club had been broken into and the matter reported to the police.

(b) Cllr Thatcher reported that a small group of volunteers were removing stumps using the recently purchased removal liquid. He suggested that fencing of the pond be considered as there was a large amount of stagnant water. It was agreed that councillors should inspect the site and report to a future meeting

(c) Cliff Compressors – resolved at previous meeting

(d) Woodland Way Twitten – the Clerk advised that a letter had been received from the vendor's solicitor requesting a plan of the site in order to proceed.

16099 Item 13 County and District Councillors Reports:

Dist Cllr Bird advised that a recent report by the housing manager highlighted 1136 people on the housing register. There were 143 households in bands A-D with a demand for one bedroom homes. He talked about the recycling target and that the amount of waste has increased, affecting the targets. Cllr Mier added that there was a global call to reduce packaging.

16100 Item 14 Information and/or Future Agenda Items The Chairman congratulated Mr John Pulfer for his award of the British Empire Medal.

16101 Item 15 Correspondence – tabled.

16102 Close and date of next meeting – Tuesday 26th July 2016, 7.15pm at Fairlight Village Hall. The formal part of the meeting closed.

Open Forum

One resident reported a spate of break-ins in the village. The Chairman urged all to be security minded and to report incidents to the Police. The Clerk was asked to circulate any police reports received. Another resident reported that *boy racers* were again in the Country Park and District Cllr Bird asked residents to report them. The Clerk was asked to contact Hastings Borough Council about the matter.

Mr Hall reported on a meeting with Highways and that resurfacing of Battery Hill was scheduled for later in the year. He asked the Council to be cautious if fencing the pond. Another resident asked Cllr Bird about the Cliffs Project Phase 3 and urged the Council to grab the opportunity of working with others on flooding/sewage and that Fairlight should raise the profile. Cllr Mier added that the Council has attended many multi-agency meetings. Mr Capps spoke about Southern Water explaining that they have recently

Parish Council Comments:

- a) Fairlight Parish Council has no objection to this proposal.
- b) As the property is advertised as a holiday let it should be a requirement that the new garage building is used for the storage of vehicles and equipment only and not used as ancillary accommodation.
- c) Due to the narrow and unstable nature of Lower Waites Lane it should be a requirement of the consent that all construction vehicles and materials, and contractors' vehicles be kept within the boundaries of the property at all times.
- d) Any comments made by neighbours should be taken into account

Planning report week 21

RR/2016/1409/P

Moon Cottage, Friars Hill, Guestling TN35 4HJ

Re-application for the repair and maintenance of "The Old Chapel" building to convert to a one bedroom bungalow.

- 1) Fairlight Parish Council would be happy to see this ancient rural building being protected by conversion to a dwelling rather than left to deteriorate.
- 2) Any comments by neighbours should be taken into account.

Planning report week 22

RR/2016/1454/P

Windover, Sea Road, Fairlight TN35 4DR

Demolition of existing garage and workshop and replacement with ancillary living accommodation.

- 1) It should be a condition that, as at present, surface water be discharged into the main drainage system as soakaways are unsuitable, and a threat to cliff stability in this area.
- 2) Due to the narrow access through Cliff Way and Sea Road, it should be a condition of any consent that a compound be created within the curtilage of Windover, with construction traffic and materials to be contained within it at all times during construction.
- 3) It should be a legally binding requirement of any consent that the ancillary accommodation be used only for residential accommodation in association with the existing dwelling, and not be used, or sold, as a separate dwelling.
- 4) The materials to be used in the construction must be agreed with the Planning Authority.
- 5) Any comments made by neighbours should be taken into account.

RR/2016/1514/TN

Fairlight Church O/S, Fairlight TN35 4AB

Erection of 8m wooden pole with 1.65m below ground and 6.35m above ground. As this is a notification rather than an application no comment is necessary.

Planning report week 23

Nothing for Fairlight

Planning report week 24

Nothing for Fairlight

- 2) Planning Decisions

RR/2016/989/P

Draycott, Primrose Hill, Fairlight, TN35 4AH

Proposed loft extension including roof extension and dormer window.

Decision: Refused as it would be too close to, and overlook, an adjacent property, Springtime.

RR/2016/1044/T

Cherry Garden Farm Cottage, Peter James Lane, Fairlight, TN35 4DN

Proposed work to trees.

Decision: Approved

Stephen Leadbetter Planning Committee Chairman 1st June 2016