

FIRLE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting At the Firle Village Hall, Selwood Room, Firle Tuesday 7th January 2020 at 19:30hrs

1 (07/01/20)	19:30hrs	Welcome & Apologies In attendance: Cllr Andrew Barr Cllr Edgar Symes Cllr Clare Partington Cllr Richard Gravett Damian Mooncie – FPC Clerk & RFO Members of the Public None	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was noted that was noted that Cllr Hugh Barnes and Mr Kennedy were not present 	
2 (07/01/20)	19:35hrs	To Agree the Business of the Meeting:	
2.1		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The business of the meeting was agreed without change 	
		Declaration of Interest to Agenda 07/01/20	
2.2		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Agreed without change 	
		Councilor Completion of Annual Declarations	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The clerk reported that papers will be circulated for completion 	
3 (07/01/20)	19:40hrs	Previous Minutes 12/11/19	
		FPC Resolution 899 (item 3 07/01/20) FPC agreement that the minute of the FPC meetings 12/11/19 are a correct account of meetings, Chairman sign and clerk to file	Clerk
3.1		Matter Arising	
3.1.1		Litter Bins Location & Signage	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The clerk reported that response needs to be received from LDC 	
3.1.2		Maintenance of Firle PC Assets	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> It was noted that the Bus shelter are in a suitable condition It was agreed that FPC would maintain the overhang of foliage around the Bus Shelters 	
		FPC Resolution 900 (item 3.1.2 07/01/20) FPC agreement to make a donation to Mr Partington for up keeping the foliage around the Bus Shelter at Crossways	Clerk
3.1.3		The Street Ditch Management	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Clerk reported that a response from LDC on the general ditch management through the parish especially along the stretch from Ram Inn to Appletrees The council discussed the flooding outside the Ram Inn and verge and that Firle Estate should manage the verge as it is their responsibility 	
		FPC Resolution 902 (item 3.1.3 07/01/20) FPC agreement that FPC will write to Firle Estate Management to urge them to maintain the verge and ditches/drain outside the Ram Inn and establish their intention on maintaining the ditches from the Ram to Polecats and other patches of standing water	Clerk
		Drainage at The Brewery	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cllr Barr mentioned drainage at The Brewery had been capped which was now preventing other water to drain off 	
		FPC Resolution 903 (item 3.1.3 07/01/20) FPC agreement that FPC will enquire and request that the overflow drain outside of the	

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		Brewery can be reinstated as flood water is now not able to run off	
3.1.4		Allotment Group Hedging & Bench	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Council agreement to make the purchase of a new bench in the same style as the existing bench 	
3.1.5		Firle Byway 14 Public Right of Way Application	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The clerk reported that the letter needs to be undertaken 	
4 (07/01/20)	19:50hrs	FPC Finance Report	
4.1		Financial Summary Period 9 & 10	
		FPC Resolution 904 (item 4.1 07/01/20) FPC agreement that the finance summary is an accurate record of the accounts	
4.2		Payments List	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Clerk Salary 	
		FPC Resolution 905 (item 4.2 07/01/20) FPC agreement to the release of the payment list	
4.3		FPC Budget 2020/21	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> The Council discussed the rationale for the budget 2020/21 	
		FPC Resolution 906 (item 4.3 07/01/20) FPC agreement to adopt the proposed budget 2020/21	
4.4		FPC Precept 2020/21	
		FPC Resolution 907 (item 4.4 07/01/20) FPC agreement to set a Precept of £10,046.00 for the Year 2020/21	
4.5		FPC Appointment of Internal Auditor 2019/20	
		FPC Resolution 908 (item 4.5 07/01/20) FPC agreement to ask Charlie Bridge to act as Internal Auditor for the year 2019/20	
4.6		FPC Asset Management & Community Projects	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> See item 3.1.3 	
		FPC Resolution 909 (item 4.6 07/01/20) FPC agreement that asset repair and improvement will be scheduled	
5 (07/01/20)	20:00hrs	Planning Committee & Applications:	
5.1		RACLT Development Proposals Firle Bostal Road	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cllr Partington reported on attendance to the meeting which was attending by Firle Estate, RACTL and AiRs with a letter of support dispatched to FPC as a key stakeholder to circulate a survey to ascertain whether there is a genuine need for a housing development in Firle as part of building a case for development Cllr Parrington outlined the role of the FPC to gather community feedback and that the survey would be prepared by the Lewes Housing Hub to establish whether there is a need for 12 new homes Cllr Partington reported that the survey needs to be a thorough proposal so that people have as much detail as possible in making comment Cllr Partington outlined that the Trust will have conditions to enable local residents first access to the new homes, and that various other sites have been identified within the proposal, Cllr Partington outlined the suggestion of forming a Steering Group to process the formation of the community survey with representatives from the local community 	
		FPC Resolution 910 (item 5.1 07/01/20) FPC agreement that Cllr Partington will Chair the Community Housing Development Sub Committee of the Planning Committee and to seek representation from local residents with Cllr Gravatt as deputy	
5.2		Herstmonseux CTLA Site Visits	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Cllr Partington reported that a site visit will not be proposed until after the building work has been commenced 	

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6 (07/01/20)	20:35hrs	Correspondence:	
7 (07/01/20)	20:40hrs	Items:	
7.1		Firle Playing Fields & Play Area Inspection and Renewal	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Barr reported that FPC is responsible for the Play Fields fencing and gates along the parameter including the trees along the perimeter <p><u>Play Fields Improvements</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Gravett commented that FPC should take over responsibility for the area and work towards improving it substantial during the year 2020 • Cllr Partington suggested that the area should be rolled, which Cllr Barr undertook to forward • Cllr Barr commented that the gates to the Play Area need replacing <p><u>Firle Gate Entrance & Hard standing & Disable Access</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Partington reminded the council of the proposed hard coring of the area from Firle Gate through to Firle Tennis • Cllr Partington suggested that the pathways from the car park to the tennis court should enable easy access 	
		<u>Firle Play Area:</u>	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The council discussed the opportunity to provide new playing structures and renew the areas around the current structures 	
		FPC Resolution 911 (item 7.1 07/01/20) FPC agreement the councilors will undertake a site inspection of the Play Fields to detail the works that need to be undertaken and approach local trades for quotes	Cllrs
7.2		Parked Vehicles Firle Bostal	
		<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Barr reported on ongoing issues with parked vehicles at school drop off time 	
		FPC Resolution 912 (item 7.2 07/01/20) FPC agreement to write to Firle School and request parent to park considerately and use the Village car park in finer weather	
8 (07/01/20)	20:50hrs	Reports from Other Meetings:	
9 (07/01/20)		Request to attend FPC Meeting Maria Caulfield	