



FERNHURST PARISH COUNCIL

Parish Council Meeting Minutes Wednesday 8 February 2023

Minutes of the **Meeting of Fernhurst Parish Council** held at Fernhurst Village Hall on
Wednesday 8 February 2023 at 7.00pm

Councillors Present: Mrs H Bicknell (Chairman), Mr W Black, Mr J Buchanan, Mr S Flatt, Mr M Giffin, Mr C Lloyd, Mr J Smith, Mr G Williamson.

In Attendance: K Jones (Clerk).

24/23 Apologies for Absence: Mr N Barker, Mr G Inns, Mrs M Jenkins.

25/23 Declarations of Interests: Cllr Bicknell declared an interest in item 31/23, being chairman of the Fernhurst Revels committee.

26/23 Public Representations: Judith Turner advised the council of the following planned events: March 11, Fernhurst Clean Up Weekend, May 8, coronation of King Charles III, celebration picnic.

27/23 Previous Minutes: The Minutes of the meeting of the **11 January 2023** were approved.

Proposed: Cllr Williamson, seconded, Cllr Buchanan.

28/23 Matters Arising From The Minutes Not Covered Below: None.

29/23 County Council Commentary: No report.

30/23 District Council Commentary: Following the meeting, Cllr Peter Wilding submitted a written report, which has been circulated to councillors, having missed the meeting owing to an unfortunate mishap.

31/23 Grants: The council discussed the grant application from the Fernhurst Revels for £300 to cover the cost of hiring the Sports Pavilion facilities.

Resolved: To award the grant of £300 to the Fernhurst Revels.

Proposed: Cllr Black, seconded, Cllr Buchanan

32/23 S.106 & CIL Money: Cllr Buchanan agreed to contact South Downs National Park Authority (Kelly Porter) - to establish exactly how the current "Change of Planning Condition" application in respect of the Syngenta site would potentially affect Community Infrastructure Levy payments receivable by the council. **Action: (Cllr Buchanan)**

33/23 E-Mail & Website Facilities: The clerk recommended the proposal from Toolkit Websites Ltd for future email/website council facilities. The meeting agreed for the proposal to be reviewed by Cllr Flatt's information technology advisers. **Action: (Cllr Flatt / Clerk)**

34/23 Fernhurst Club & Fernhurst Youth Club: It was noted that the Fernhurst Club had lodged an objection to the application for an alcohol licence by OneStop Fernhurst Ltd.

35/23 Neighbourhood Plan: No report.

36/23 Coronation of Charles III: The council noted the plans to hold a "celebration picnic" on the Monday 8 May. The meeting decided not to arrange any event of its own.

37/23 Fernhurst Water Drainage Issues: Pressure on West Sussex County Council to improve road drainage maintenance is to be maintained. **Action: (Clerk)**

38/23 Correspondence & Other Matters:

- A statement was to be prepared for the Chichester District Council Licencing Committee hearing in support of the council's objections to the application by OneStop Fernhurst Ltd. **Action: (Clerk)**
- A quotation for digital mapping of Fernhurst Cemetery has been received.

39/23 MONTHLY EXECUTIVE REPORTS/COMMITTEE MATTERS

Finance and Administration

- Bank reconciliations for January were approved.
Proposed Cllr Black, seconded, Cllr Lloyd
- List of payments for February were approved.
Proposed Cllr Black, Seconded Cllr Lloyd

Planning Committee

- Chairman's Comments: A cohort of councillors is to visit the site at Copyhold where pre-application comments have been sought on a potential public footpath deviation.
- Planning Committee meeting minutes of the **11 January 2023** were received and noted.

Property, Highways and Environment Committee:

- Cllr Black updated the meeting on outstanding work and projects.
- Property, Highways & Environment Committee meeting minutes for **12 December 2022** were received and noted.

40/23 UPDATES ON LOCAL ISSUES

- **Services and Facilities for Young People:** No report to note.
- **Fernhurst Village Hall:** The search for a new permanent chairman of trustees continues.
- **Policing:** No report.
- **Fernhurst Primary School:** No report.
- **Fernhurst Recreation Ground:** Work to finalise the redevelopment continues.

Date of Next Meeting: 8 March 2023

Chairman Signed: **Date:**