

Minutes of Fulmer Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 11th February 2025 at the Cricket Pavilion, King George V Fields, Fulmer Common Road SL3 6JN at 8.00pm

PRESENT:	Mr D Brackin (DB)	Chairman
	Mrs S Simkins (SS)	Deputy Chairman
	Mr I Bocoock (IB)	Councillor
	Mrs F Hall-Drinkwater (FH-D)	Councillor
	Mr P Khanghura (PK)	Councillor
	Mrs K Robinson (KR)	Councillor
	Mrs P Vahey (PV)	Parish Council Clerk
IN ATTENDANCE:	Cllr Tom Hogg (TH)	Buckinghamshire Council (BC) Councillor
POLICE:	Not present.	
PRESS:	Not present.	
PUBLIC:	There was three members of the public present and one attended on Zoom.	

- 1. Declarations of interest:** Cllr Kate Robinson declared a familial interest in The Barn, Fulmer Lane.
- 2. Apologies:** There were apologies from Buckinghamshire Cllr Jaspal Chhokar and Fulmer Parish Cllr Mrs Lorette Du Toit.
- 3. Police Update:** Other than the electronic notifications received from Thames Valley Police, Local Neighbourhood Watch and Buckinghamshire Council Community Safety team which were available in the Council DropBox, there was no update. Illegal fly-tipping at The Pickeridge had been reported to the Police.
- 4. Public Quarter Hour:** A member of the public asked if there was any progress on getting FFTP Broadband to Fulmer given the presence of CityFibre installing cables locally. Another member of the public who worked in the sector promised to investigate it. The Chairman committed to writing to the Member of Parliament and the member of the public agreed to do the same, asking the MP to get an answer from the Department of Culture, Media and Sport.
A member of the public asked if the Speedwatch team could monitor a specific place in Windmill Road, however, they were informed that it would not be possible in that location because of the constraints of where volunteers could stand in relation to the road for safety reasons. Unmanned speed monitoring devices were being investigated but would require TVP's approval. The Chair informed the resident that a request for an HGV weight limit had been submitted to Buckinghamshire Council Highways. The next step was a feasibility study. One of the sources of the HGVs, the Marlian site in Rowley Lane was subject to planning enforcement. Concern was expressed that Buckinghamshire Council might be to looking to regularise the site as a mixed-use

industrial area. The resident also asked if, when Windmill Road was resurfaced, it could be done to a higher standard with a noise cancelling surface? The Chair also encouraged everyone to report blocked drains.

Another resident asked for the Council's support for a planning application. It was explained that the property still had aluminium wiring installed from when it was first built. There had been an unusual number of objections to the plans even though there was no heritage issue. It was also clear that if the extension works were differently oriented then no planning permission would be required, however, the planned siting of the extension was the only practical area where it could be built. It was suggested that the application be called in to Bucks Planning Committee.

5. **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held 7th January 2025:** The Minutes having been previously circulated prior to the Meeting were reviewed and accepted as an accurate record of the business conducted at that Meeting and were recommended for signature by the Chairman of the meeting.
6. **Buckinghamshire Councillors Report:** The Chair reported he was due to catch up with the LAT and was also meeting with Fulmer Wood Farm to discuss the ditching work being carried out there.
7. **Communications:** Two complaints about the water egress onto Fulmer Road from a roadside property had been received. Affinity Water had attended on a few occasions and determined the issue was not their responsibility. It was reported that the LAT had identified what the issue was and it was scheduled for repair. The FixMyStreet reference no was 711105. The complaint about the flooding at Gate 2 of Fulmer Rise Estate had also been reported and it was hoped that once Fulmer Wood Farm cleared their ditches the problem would be resolved.
8. **News & Activity from Local Government & other Community Partners:** The Chairman and Clerk had continued to attend Local Government and Community meetings, details of which were available in the Council Dropbox.
The Clerk had attended the recent Town and Parish Clerks Forum where the reorganisation of the LAT reporting structure including the Network Operations Teams were announced. The Clerk also brought the Council's attention to Bucks Council's consultation on the draft Local Nature Recovery Strategy.
9. **Finance & Governance:**
The Clerk had previously circulated the Financial Summaries, Budget Reports and Bank Reconciliation Reports for all the Fulmer Parish Council Accounts for the periods ending January 2025 which were accepted by the Parish Council. Copies of the Bank Reconciliation reports for each account are appended to these Minutes. The Council approved the following payments for February.

February Payments

FPC		Budgeted
Mailchimp subs	14.94	Y
Street light maintenance (Feb)	33.60	Y
Clerks salary, allowances & expenses	2082.61	Y
HMRC tax & NI	458.77	Y
Employers Pension contribution	52.41	Y
Payroll services	15.00	Y
Weekly Briefing	145.00	Y
Allotments water rates	17.24	Y
Tractor Insurance	366.44	Y
Web Site	143.86	Y
TOTAL	3329.87	

FSCA

The Studio rates	81.47
The Studio electricity	109.91
The Clubhouse electricity	441.85
Water rates	39.78
Annual fire extinguisher checks	193.31
Roller shutter motor renewal	504.00

TOTAL 1370.32

TOTAL 4700.19

10. Highways Maintenance & Environment:

Following submission of a request for a weight restriction for HGVs in Fulmer Cllr Bocock had been asked to provide a feasibility study. The first step was a traffic count which according to a Bucks Council Highways Officer cost £600.

The bollards at Hollydene House were pending a conversation with the LAT. Cameras on the bend were still being investigated to decide on the right type.

11. Planning and Enforcement:

Twelve new Planning Applications for Fulmer had been registered since the last Council Meeting.

PL/25/0356/SA The Thatched Cottage, Fulmer Rise Estate, Fulmer Common Road SL3 6JL

Certificate of lawfulness for proposed construction of single storey outbuilding.

The Council RESOLVED not to object.

PL/25/0250/SA Fulmere, 18 Dukes Kiln Drive, Gerrards Cross SL9 7HD
Certificate of lawfulness for incidental outbuilding for swimming pool and gym etc.
(Reposition outbuilding subject of PL/24/2018/SA).

The Council RESOLVED not to object.

PL/25/0219/FA The Bakery, 1 South Row, Fulmer Road SL3 6HS

Single storey extension to dwelling house.

The Council RESOLVED not to object.

PL/25/0170/SA Rhode Cottage, Windsor Road, Gerrards Cross SL9 8SW

Certificate of lawfulness for proposed single storey side extension.

The Council RESOLVED not to object.

PL/25/0171/FA Rhode Cottage, Windsor Road, Gerrards Cross SL9 8SW

Single storey rear extension (alternative design to approved ref PL/24/2917/PNE).

**PL/25/0142/FA Land to the Rear of Valley Cottage, Dukes Valley off Windsor Road
Gerrards Cross SL9 8SW**

Demolition of barn and construction of dwelling house.

The Council RESOLVED to object to the intensification of development in the Green Belt.

PL/25/0139/EU Watersplash Farm, Alderbourne Lane, SL3 6JB

Certificate of lawfulness to establish the existing use of land as residential garden.

The Council RESOLVED to support the application.

PL/25/0061/CONDA Fernacres Cottages, Fulmer Common Road SL3 6JW

Approval of condition 7 (method of disposal of material) of planning permission
PL/23/1814/VRC – variation of Condition 10 (Approved plans) of Planning Permission
PL/22/2769/DE (Approval of reserved matters following outline approval PL/22/1036/OA
– Outline application for demolition of 7 dwellings and erection of 4 dwellings (matters to
be considered appearance and landscaping)) to allow for construction of basements to
each dwelling.

The Council RESOLVED not to object.

PL/24/3956/FA Alderbrook Farm, Fulmer Lane SL3 6JA

Demolition of an existing dwellings and outbuildings and erection of 2 new dwelling
houses with detached carports, landscaping, ecological enhancements, associated works
and utilisation of the existing access points.

The Council RESOLVED to object to the intensification of development in the Green Belt.

PL/24/3273/FA The Barn, Fulmer Lane SL9 7BL

Removal of thatched roof, re-roofing with solar panels and rooflights, and two-storey
front and first floor rear extensions with front porch canopy and internal alterations.

The Council RESOLVED to support the application.

PL/24/3886/FA Huyton Flod, Windmill Road SL3 6HD

Two story front extension, front porch with Juliet balcony above, fenestrational
alterations including first floor windows to frontage.

**The Council RESOLVED to support the application subject to the removal of Permitted
Development Rights.**

PL/24/3711/HB 5 Church Row Cottages, Hay Lane SL3 6HW

Listed building consent for reinstatement of a previously existing internal stud wall in the
upstairs area.

The Council RESOLVED not to object.

Details of the consultation into Pinewood Studios revised plans for its Pinewood South
site had been circulated. These included plans for a data Centre. A discussion ensued on

the environmental impact of a Data Centre in particular with reference to water cooled data centres. The plans had attracted two positive comments of support from residents. It was suggested that Fulmer Parish had two main asks, namely for FTTP to be brought to Fulmer and that Green Energy to be used in relation to the site. The Chair had also been approached by a resident regarding development at Pinewood and he committed to meeting with them and contacting the new CEO.

ACTION carried forward from December 12th:

- Establish with Bucks enforcement team whether permission for the change of use was required at the Black Horse from a farm shop and café to a car showroom. **Action: PK**
Cllr Khanghura had previously circulated an update on all planning applications received, outstanding applications still requiring a decision and the progress of other applications. Details of these can be found at:
<https://pa.chilternandsouthbucks.gov.uk/online-applications/>
or email: planning@chilternandsouthbucks.gov.uk

12. Community Matters:

ACTIONS carried forward from June 11th:


- Draw up a specification for grass and hedge cutting in the village. **Action: PV**
Volunteers: Cllr Boccock had indicated his intent to carry out more litter picks in Stoke Common Road and Fulmer Common Road in February and March. Details would be broadcast in the Weekly Briefing.
FSCA & KGFF: Cllr Du Toit had previously circulated a report on the progress of the developments at KGFF and the FSCA. Three applications had been submitted to the Community Board for funding for a Commando Plug and two signs at KGFF.
The Clerk had contacted two more hedging contractors for quotes for the hedging at the Allotments. The Munchbox operation at KGFF was ongoing and discussed with regard to future plans for reaching out to the Fulmer community such as the provision of soup and coffees.

ACTION carried forward from May 7th:

- Investigate cherry tree planting and deer protective fencing for the tree. **Action: PV**
St James Church Fulmer: Cllr Hall-Drinkwater reported the wood in the interior of St James Church, Fulmer was being treated and redecorated.
The Mosque: The Chair reported he was meeting with the MP the following week to discuss early their annual celebrations.

13. Date of next Meeting:

The next Parish Council meeting to be held Tuesday 11th March 2025 at 20.00hrs.
There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman closed the Meeting at 22:00 hrs.

Signed.....
D Brackin Chairman

Dated..... 11 March 2025