



Draft Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting of Farnsfield Parish held on Tuesday 23rd May 2017 in the Lower Hall of the Village Centre. New Hill. Farnsfield

Present: Cllrs. Clarke, Waterfield, Selby, Stafford, Healy, McDowall, Woods, Wright, Rachel Waterfield(Clerk), District Cllr. Roger Blaney (for part of the meeting) 2 members from Southwell and District Lions Clubs International plus 7 members of the public.

Apologies from Cllr. Loughton.

Cllr. Clarke opened the meeting at 6.02pm

1. A presentation was made by Keith Hobbs from Southwell and District Lions Clubs International

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Email: lionssouthwell@gmail.com

Membership: Brian Dewing 01636812049

Keith Hobbs Publicity and Young Persons, 3 Fletcher Court. 01623 882316

2. Cllr. Healy gave a short presentation on the work of community spaces and encouraged interested parties to contact her

3. Cllr Roger Blaney gave a short update on the progress of the Mansfield Road Planning Application Appeal.

He confirmed that an appeal requested by the developers had been Recovered and would be considered by an independent inspector and decided upon by the Secretary of State.

The appeal will be decided on written submissions.

NSDC will be presenting extensive written evidence in opposition of the development.

He advised that Farnsfield Parish Council should include the following points in their submission:

a, Endorse the belief that NSDC has a five-year housing development plan

b, Highlight the housing on the opposite side of the road (Ash Farm) which results in the observer focussing on the open spaces and church view when entering Farnsfield which

creates an immediate impression of a historic rural settlement. Any development will distort this view and open the area up to further development.

c, The conservation area will be affected.

Questions from the floor included:

- Could the referendum for the Neighbourhood Plan be brought forward in mind of the 8th June appeal deadline? The answer from Cllr. Blaney was no.
- Will individual letters of complaint still be helpful? The answer from Cllr. Blaney was yes, if they reflect relevant planning issues such as those stated above.
- Should Farnsfield Parish Council revise its Neighbourhood Plan, and if so when? The answer from Cllr. Blaney was that the Plan is only one of three in the District which has been or is close to being adopted and that this is a great achievement. The answer from Cllr. Blaney was that the NSDC hopes to have its revised **Local Plan** adopted by February and that Farnsfield should consider any amendments after this date.

4. Acceptance of the minutes from the 2016 Annual Parish Meeting.

It was proposed and seconded to accept the minutes from the 2016 Annual Parish Meeting. The resolution was carried unanimously by those present at the meeting.

5. Matters arising from the minutes

None

6. Farnsfield Parish Council Chairman's Report

The Chairman's report as set out below was presented to the meeting

Farnsfield Annual Parish Meeting

Farnsfield Parish Council Chairman's report 2016/7

Councillors:

Matt Hamilton (chair), Karen Clarke (vice chair), Lynda Selby (chair of facilities and Planning Management Committee), Paul Woods (chair of Finance, Risk and Staffing Management Committee), Lesley Healy, Bruce McDowall, Jayne Stafford, Ron Wright, Bruce McDowall, David Poole, Brendan Doherty, Simon Waterfield,

Council would like to thank Mr. Reeves, Weaver and Eyley who have left Council this year and welcome Cllrs. Poole, Stafford, Doherty, Woods and Waterfield who have joined us.

Village Centre:

Work is currently underway to renovate the Village Centre in line with Farnsfield Parish Council Strategic Plan. A full structural survey has been undertaken and tenders are being prepared for the renovation of the roof, windows and pointing / brickwork.

The relocation of the Village Centre Feasibility project is ongoing.

Facilities:

The Council has taken action to evict travelers on both occasions where they have camped unlawfully on Council owned Land. The Council has taken preventative measures to avoid this happening in the future by the erection of fencing surrounding the Hadleigh Park Open Space and an adjustable height barrier at the entrance to the Hadleigh Park Car Park.

The Allotments are now fully occupied and have a water supply. set up and have water supply and all have been taken up

Environment:

Farnsfield were runners up again in the Best Kept Village Competition. Thank you to Lesley Healy and Community Spaces for all their hard work.

Farnsfield Parish Council are in consultation with Severn Trent Water regarding our ongoing problems with Sewerage and Drainage.

The Council arranged for the installation of Christmas lights in the trees at the junction of the Ridgeway and Main Street and on the junction of Longlands Lane and Main Street opposite The Lion Public house.

The Old Lock-up has been repointed and Signs outlining its history have been put up.

The Neighbourhood Plan has reached the submission Stage

Traffic management:

Farnsfield Parish Council is working with Peter Davis, the newly appointed Community Speedwatch Co-coordinator to develop a Speedwatch initiative in Farnsfield.

NSDC has approved the installation of temporary traffic speed monitoring cameras along Mansfield Road/ Main Street and Southwell Road in the hope to address some of the traffic management issues.

Staffing:

The Council has not replaced the lengthsman and has made savings by contracting out lengthsman's duties to a private contractor and employing two young people to undertake some duties as part of a pilot scheme.

Policing:

The Village PCSO continues to be Rachel Swinney. PCSO 4814 who can be contacted on

101 805 7116/ 0791724324 Rachel.swinney4814@nottinghamshire.pnn.police.uk

Communication: The new website has been launched where there is a facility to sign up for personal news and event emails.

Completed Actions from 2016 Strategic Plan

Category	Project number	Issue	Ranking	Business Year
	N/A	Dog fouling and rubbish bins	3	2016/17
	N/A	Old Jail renovation	4	2016/17
	N/A	Upgrade website	6	2016/17
	N/A	Cleaner streets	6	2016/17
	N/A	Xmas lights	6	2016/17
	N/A	Village social club advertisements	8	2016/17
	N/A	Traffic wardens	8	2016/17
	N/A	Tree tidying and bird boxes	8	2016/17
	N/A	Defibrillator	None	2016/17
	N/A	New Hill Street sign	None	2016/17

Matt Hamilton. Chair Farnsfield Parish Council. May 2017.

Issues arising from the report:

A member of the public asked where consultations with Severn Trent Water regarding the Sewerage and Drainage issues in Farnsfield were. Rachel Waterfield responded that we were awaiting a progress report from Severn Trent. **Action:** Rachel Waterfield will contact Severn Trent and publish an update.

7.Farnsfield Parish Council Financial Report

Cllr. Woods presented the Financial Report as set out below

Farnsfield Parish Council

2016/17 end of year accounts summary

The following summary relates to the income received and expenditure incurred by the Parish Council during the 2016/17 financial year. Councillors are directed to the resolution passed in July 2016 (on file) approving the use of reserves to support planned expenditure during the year.

Receipts

Annual budgeted receipts: £91,230.00

Actual receipts: £103,169.08¹

Payments:

Annual budgeted expenditure: £132,300.00²

Actual expenditure: £146,159.56³

Surplus/Loss

The allocated budget for the 2016/17 financial year (adjusted at July 2016) anticipated a loss of £41,070.00 to be met by the planned use of unallocated reserves. The actual loss as reported was £37,921.32 taking into account the HMRC refund due.

Assets:

Total Assets: £136,707.76

Earmarked Reserves: £75,435.00

Allotment Water Supply: £1,000.00

Best Kept Village: £300.00

Unallocated (Free) Reserves: £59,972.76

Bank Balances as at 31 March 2017:

Unity Bank £5,606.77

Nationwide Building Society £126,031.83

Total £131,638.60

¹ Excludes £52,647.80 developer contributions received from Newark and Sherwood District Council

² Adjusted at July 2016 to account for £5,700 budgeted expenditure not included in the original expenditure total of £126,600.00 due to a technical error

³ Includes £5,069.16 VAT owing from HMRC

8. Public Open Session

- A member of the public commented that the PCSO had not responded to 3 phone calls. **Action:** Rachel Waterfield will investigate this.
- A member of the public brought up issues pertaining to 'inconsiderate' parking in the village. This was discussed together with the difficulties in enforcing 'considerate' parking

Cllr. Clarke closed the meeting at 7.15pm.

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