

Annual Parish Meeting 2021

The Annual Parish Meeting was held online¹ via Microsoft teams on Tuesday 27th April at 6pm

21.1. Welcome

Chairman of the Parish Council, Cllr Purcicoe welcomed everyone to the meeting.

21.2. Acceptance of minutes of 2019 Annual Parish Meeting (There was no annual meeting held in 2020)

The minutes were accepted as accurate

21.3 Public Open session

- The church clock a resident would like the parish council to reinstate the funding for the church clock within the PC budget.
- Representation and Demographics a resident shared a concern that there is a lack of representation of young people on the council. The resident suggested a young person council.
- A resident shared that sometimes the Parish Council meetings are confusing and feel inaccessible to young people, they mirrored that young people would like to be involved.
- A resident from the Wheels for Farnsfield Young Ambassador team read a letter written to Farnsfield Parish Council on behalf of the group. The letter outlined why they would like a skatepark within the village.
- A resident suggested Farnsfield Parish Council approach the school to receive the ideas of young people.
- Public Session within Farnsfield Parish Council meeting a resident requested Farnsfield Parish Council review the public session to be at the end rather than the start of the meeting as it would enable residents to comment on what has previously been discussed
- East Side Project Meeting A resident suggested Farnsfield Parish Council have a open evening or meeting to discuss the ESP once COVID-19 restrictions have been lifted
- Glass A resident shared that their assistance dog had injured their paw on broken glass. The resident requested that resident be more aware of litter and if they do see a glass bottle, to please pick it up before it gets broken as it is dangerous to all residents.
- Phone Box A resident shared that the residents at Alexander Avenue are very keen to have the phone box installed to be used as a library exchange.
- Glass recycling A resident shared the frustration that the bottle bin has been removed and hoped that Farnsfield Parish Council would discuss how green Farnsfield is. Another resident mirrored the need for a recycling system especially glass however unfortunately the current refuse collectors do not collect glass.
- Parish Council Working Parties A resident shared their feelings that there is a disconnect between Farnsfield Parish Council and the Parish as a whole. The resident shared that they are keen to assist however the parish hasn't reached out to request resident participation. The resident would like to see the Farnsfield

¹ The Local Authorities and Police and Crime Panels (Coronavirus) (Flexibility of Local Authority and Police and Crime Panel Meetings) (England and Wales) Regulations 2020 Regulation 6 disapplies Paragraph 7 of Schedule 12 of the LGA 1972)

Parish Council reach out to the resident more. The resident also shared that the public session only allows items on the agenda to be discussed. They suggested it should be more open for the residents to bring any parish issues to a meeting.

 Autism awareness – a resident shared that they have autism and that there are both young people and adults who have autism. The resident asked if Councillors could think about autism and disability awareness training to ensure the Council are reaching the hard-to-reach voices within the parish.

The Parish Clerk reminded the residents ways in which they can contact the Parish Council. The Clerk further explained that correspondence from resident is used to form parts of the agendas and guide discussion points in Farnsfield Parish Council meetings.