

**Minutes of Fulmer Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> June 2025 at the Cricket Pavilion, King George V Fields, Fulmer Common Road SL3 6JN at 8.00pm**

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| PRESENT:       | Mr D Brackin (DB)                                                                                                                | Chairman                                   |
|                | Mr I Bocock (IB)                                                                                                                 | Councillor                                 |
|                | Mrs L Du Toit                                                                                                                    | Councillor                                 |
|                | Mrs F Hall-Drinkwater (FH-D)                                                                                                     | Councillor                                 |
|                | Mr P Khanghura (PK)                                                                                                              | Councillor                                 |
|                | Mrs S Simkins (SS)                                                                                                               | Councillor                                 |
|                | Mrs P Vahey (PV)                                                                                                                 | Parish Council Clerk                       |
| IN ATTENDANCE: | Cllr D Moore (DM)                                                                                                                | Buckinghamshire Council<br>(BC) Councillor |
| POLICE:        | Not present.                                                                                                                     |                                            |
| PRESS:         | Not present.                                                                                                                     |                                            |
| PUBLIC:        | There were three members of the public present. One member of the public joined very briefly on Zoom at 20:43 and left at 20:47. |                                            |

1. **Declarations of interest:** There were no declarations of interest.
2. **Apologies:** Apologies were received from Buckinghamshire Cllrs Dev Dhillon and Thomas Hogg.
3. **Police Update:** Electronic notifications were received from Thames Valley Police; Local Neighbourhood Watch and Buckinghamshire Council Community Safety team which were available in the Council DropBox. The Chairman reported that he had met with PC Kaitlyn Brooks, the new Neighbourhood Supervisor for Fulmer. She had committed to keeping the Chairman updated on issues. The Chairman had informed her of Fulmer's Speedwatch initiative and its progress. PC Brooks was responsible for a team of ten Police Officers of which seven were usually on duty at any one time.
4. **Public Quarter Hour:** A member of the public drew the Council's attention to the overgrown bushes at the top of Alderbourne Lane which made exiting the road there difficult and potentially hazardous when looking to the right for oncoming traffic.
5. **Minutes of the Annual Parish Council Meeting held 13<sup>th</sup> May 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:** Cllr D Moore reported he had met with representatives of the Colne Valley Regional Park (CVRP) along with MP Joy Morrissey



and the leader of Buckinghamshire Council. CVRP had requested £12000 in funding from BC in order to extend the boundary of the Park.

He also mentioned that both Cllr D Dhillon and MP Joy Morrissey were aware of the funding required for the traffic survey for the HGV weight restriction campaign in Fulmer. The Chairman suggested he approach James Beavis from Pinewood Studios for help in investigating what is required for a traffic survey. It was also suggested that the new Community Board (CB) be approached for funding. There was an expectation that the new CB Managers would be appointed soon and they would then begin their work. In addition, the question of having a Neighbourhood Plan for Fulmer was considered along with funding sources for it. It was thought a £10,000 grant could be applied for. Cllr Moored reported he had written to the Heritage at Risk Register about the state of Fulmer Hall. Apparently because it is only Grade II listed it can't be added to the Register. Another solution to be explored was BC issuing an 'urgent repair' notice. Cllr Moore was of the opinion that these notices were underused. More understanding of the difference between Grades I, II\* and II was also needed.

The complaints about CityFibre's road works had been raised with the BC Streetworks team and questions asked about why they were not monitoring the road works. The Chairman had also been in correspondence with the Streetworks team for the same reason.

The new footbridge over the Alderbourne was progressing, an emergency repair was being completed that night and a design for the permanent bridge had been published.

#### **7. Highways Maintenance & Environment:**

Cllr Bocock reported that work had been carried out at Fulmer Hall in tidying up the vegetation, presumably at the direction of the owners. There was a discussion on who to contact in relation to Fulmer Hall and also The Pickeridge.

##### **ACTION:**

- *Investigate who the agents are for Fulmer Hall and The Pickeridge.*

**Action: PV**

Cllr Bocock reported a new planter for the Gerrards Cross entrance to the village had been ordered. He asked who provided Denham Parish Council's flowers as Fulmer's previous supplier had ceased trading. He also reported that one of the residents who had volunteered in the planting and care of the flowers in previous years was moving away. A litter pick had been scheduled for June 21<sup>st</sup> meeting as usual at 10.00 at the Village Hall, the pick would be through the centre of the village. Cllr Bocock reported that the footpath at the end of Hay Lane needed to be cut back and he would also check on the other village footpaths. Cllr Moore suggested that the Bucks Public Rights of Way team be invited to walk the footpaths with himself and Cllr Bocock. The ownership of the hedging on the Pickeridge footpath need to be established.

Cllr Bocock remarked that the iconic Sir Giles Gilbert Scott designed K6 Telephone Box designed to celebrate the Silver Jubilee of King George V in 1935 needed repainting and was in his plan for 2026.

##### **ACTIONS carried forward from March 11th:**

- *Source and arrange planting of a new cherry tree to commemorate Edward Guinness and to surround both the new and existing tree with protective deer fencing.*
- *Investigate the placement of litter bins by the Black Park parking bays.*

**Action: PV**

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## 8. Planning and Enforcement:

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

**PL/25/1339/CONDA      King George's Field, Fulmer Common Road SL3 6JN**

Approval of condition 4 (lighting design strategy for biodiversity) of planning permission PL/21/377/FA – improvements to the access road and construction of a dedicated car park. The application also seeks to regularise the certificate for the lawful use (06/01707/EUC) of an area of land for parking of cars associated with activity within the King George's Field, Fulmer Recreation Ground.

**The Council RESOLVED to support the application.**

**PL/25/0393/FA      18 Dukes Kiln Drive, Gerrards Cross SL9 7HD**

Replacement dwelling.

**The Council RESOLVED not to object.**

A response had been received from the Enforcement Officer who had visited the alleged car sales showroom at Church Farm claiming that there was no evidence of cars being sold from the site.

### **ACTION:**

- *Respond robustly to the Enforcement Officer with the photographic and other evidence of car sales at the site.* **Action: PK**  
<https://pa.chilternandsouthbucks.gov.uk/online-applications/>  
or email: [planning@chilternandsouthbucks.gov.uk](mailto:planning@chilternandsouthbucks.gov.uk)

## 9. Community Matters:

### **ACTIONS carried forward from June 11th:**

- *Draw up a specification for grass and hedge cutting in the village.* **Action: PV**

**FSCA & KGFF:** Cllr Du Toit had previously circulated a report on the progress of the developments at KGFF and the FSCA and reported in more detail on some of the items, in particular the acceptance of the NMA for the planning application for the rear car park and the contract that had been approved between the FSCA and Fulmer Cricket Club. In recognition of the impending appointment of the Parish Council as the sole managing trustee of KGF it was decided to add a third signatory from the Parish Council to the agreement.

**Allotments:** A volunteer day was being organised for Sunday 6<sup>th</sup> July to clear the allotments. The organiser of the event asked for the Parish Council to fund breakfast and lunch for approx. 30 people, and the purchase of two trimmers at a total cost of £2170.52.

### **ACTION:**

- *Review PC budgets for proposed expenditure. Write to the allotment holders whose allotments fell below the standards expected and prescribed in their tenancy agreements. Ask the Scouts to join the volunteers. Set up a WhatsApp group for the volunteers.*

**Action: PV**

**St James Church Fulmer:** There was nothing to report.

- 10. Speedwatch:** A report on the statistics downloaded from the MVAS was given including the number of vehicles recorded at different speeds and times. It was suggested that approval be sought for a new site for the MVAS near to the Bridgettine Convent on Fulmer Common Road.



**11. Communications:** There had been no communications from residents that had not been addressed earlier in the meeting.

**12. 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.

Specifically, the Chairman reported he had met with representatives of Pinewood Studios regarding the consultation on the proposed building of a data centre on their site. The Chairman had also been given fifty tickets for the forthcoming screening Saturday 14<sup>th</sup> June, of the latest Marvel film for the residents of Fulmer.

**13. 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 May 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 June.

**June Payments**

| <b>FPC</b>                            |                | <b>Budgeted</b> |
|---------------------------------------|----------------|-----------------|
| Mailchimp subs                        | 14.94          | Y               |
| Street light maintenance (June)       | 33.60          | Y               |
| Clerk's salary, allowances & expenses | 2301.38        | Y               |
| HMRC tax & NI                         | 524.24         | Y               |
| Employers Pension contribution        | 52.68          | Y               |
| Payroll services                      | 15.00          | Y               |
| Weekly Briefing                       | 145.00         | Y               |
| Roots Grass cutting                   | 546.94         | Y               |
| Flowers FFFD                          | 38.00          | Y               |
| Water rates                           | 10.30          | Y               |
| <b>TOTAL</b>                          | <b>3682.08</b> |                 |

**FSCA**

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|------------------------------------|---------|
| Electricity the Clubhouse          | 313.76  |
| Electricity The Studio             | 81.49   |
| The Studio rates                   | 99.00   |
| Tractor maintenance                | 1428.31 |
| Fire extinguisher maintenance      | 165.10  |
| Planning consultancy rear car park | 1200.00 |
| Water rates                        | 36.87   |

TOTAL 3010.77

TOTAL 6692.85

**14. Date of next Meeting:**

The next meeting of the Parish Council to be held Tuesday 22<sup>nd</sup> July 2025 at 20.00hrs.  
There being no further business to discuss, the Chairman closed the Meeting at 22:55 hrs.

Signed.....  
D Brackin Chairman

Dated.....22 July 25.....