

Falstone Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on 6th July 2021.

Present – S Jopling (chair), S Cowan, M Halliday

Including Mr M Murray in person and Mr G Varty via Zoom

No.	Activity
1	Apologies for Absence – Mr J Richardson
2	<p>Public Participation</p> <p>M Murray – Major road surfacing work has been undertaken on the road from Lanehead to beyond Donkleywood. But the full stretch down to Mount Pleasant has not been completed. The concern is that Short notice was given on the original piece of work but no indication has been published on when the remaining work will be completed. It was agreed to invite Cllr J Riddle and Mr A Olive of NCC Highways to attend the next meeting, to answer questions on the state of our roads.</p>
3	<p>Minutes of the Previous Meeting</p> <p>Previously circulated, were agreed and signed as a true record.</p>
4	<p>Matters Arising</p> <p>Jubilee Park – the risk assessment has been completed and the netting on the bridge decking has been replaced where necessary. It was noted that the rose garden in the Jubilee Park is very overgrown.</p> <p>Road Surfaces – actioned as above.</p> <p>Council Tax – The council tax is also based on tax base, which is determined by the number of paying properties within the parish. Although the parish precept for fy 21/22 has not increased the tax base has decreased and therefore shows an increase on individual Council tax bills.</p>
5	Planning Applications - none
6	Village Website –Audit details added
7	<p>Correspondence</p> <p>It was agreed to consider a grant application for Great North Air Ambulance Service, when received.</p>

8	<p>Financial</p> <p>Bank balance, on 5th July was £11783.80.</p> <p>Falstone Tearoom paid £50.00 on 1st June.</p> <p>Income of £13.00 due soon for the cemetery double charge issue.</p> <p>Invoices for May and June from Kielder County Sport, total £536.00 Agreed.</p> <p>Due to a missing area of grasscutting (opposite the school gate)from the original contract, it was agreed the increase, with the new rate per cut of £120.00</p>
9	Village Hall Update – Agreed to request the date of their next meeting
10	<p>Councillor Vacancies</p> <p>3 interested parties. Following voting, Andrew Mansfield and Neil Welton were agreed.</p>
11	<p>A O B</p> <p>Cemetery Car Park – the car park is often used by people who park their car all day to go off walking or cycling. Recently some cars were asked to move due to a funeral being held that day.</p> <p>It was suggested that cones be placed on funeral days and a notice erected directing cars to park in the village.</p> <p>J Sanderson was congratulated on her award of MBE for services to Forestry. Members also thanked her for the loyal 43 years service to the parish council.</p>

Signed

Date