

Farndon Parish Council

Minutes of the Farndon Parish Council Meeting held on 21 February 2013 in the Parish Room, Farndon Memorial Hall, Marsh Lane, Farndon, and Nottinghamshire.

Present: Cllr L Aslin
 Cllr M Baker (Chair)
 Cllr P Gafney
 Cllr N Lawson
 Cllr J. Teixeira-Gomes

In attendance: The Clerk

Also present: Mrs J Nelson, Mr M Lamb from NSDC Planning Department, Mr P Holmes representing FREG, Cllr S Saddington - NCC

Minute		Action
FPC22/2013	<p>1. To receive and resolve to approve apologies for absence</p> <p>No apologies had been received. Chairman Baker read out a number of e-mails he had received from the newly appointed councillor Leyland. In these Cllr Leyland expressed his disappointment that he had not received a formal induction to the council. He stated that he had felt overwhelmed by the amount of committee papers submitted to him by e-mail and that he had not been aware there would be so many meetings to attend each month. In his opinion there were too many meetings and too much unnecessary information circulated and he therefore offered his resignation to the chairman.</p> <p>The council noted the resignation of Cllr Leyland.</p>	
FPC23/2013	<p>2. To consider application to be co-opted to the Parish Council followed by secret ballot to co-opt new councillors.</p> <p>Cllr Baker proposed and Cllr Gafney seconded to co-opt Mrs Janet Nelson onto the council. In a secret ballot councillors unanimously voted in favour of co-opting Mrs Janet Nelson on to the council.</p>	Resolved to co-opt Janet Nelson onto Parish Council
FPC24/2013	<p>3. If application successful new councillor will be given the opportunity to sign the acceptance of office declaration and take their place on the</p>	Cllr Nelson takes seat on council.

	<p>council.</p> <p>Mrs Janet Nelson signed the declaration of acceptance of office form before the proper officer and took her seat on the council. She was handed a copy of the Code of Conduct, the Standing Orders and Financial Regulations.</p>	
FPC25/2013	<p>4. To receive disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests from councillors on matters considered at this meeting.</p> <p>None referring to the agenda</p>	
FPC26/2013	<p>5. Discussion with Matt Lamb, Business Manager – Development Management, NSDC Planning Services regarding proposals for wind turbines in the area.</p> <p>Mr Lamb explained the planning process as applicable to wind turbines. He explained that the national guidance gave three main grounds for a local planning authority to object to an application for a wind turbine: visual impact, impact on heritage assets and noise. He stated that there was no obligation for an applicant to prove a need for a wind turbine as under the national Planning Quality Framework this was considered to be a commercial decision of the applicant. Nor would "local payback" be taken into consideration.</p> <p>Environmental Health would assess any noise or impact from shadow flicker and their findings would become part of the conditions attached to any planning consent.</p> <p>Chairman Baker allowed a question from Mr P Holmes. He wanted to know how the noise emissions would be assessed prior to the turbine being built. Mr Lamb explained this could be done using modelling on available data.</p>	
FPC27/2013	<p>6. To receive minutes of Farndon Parish Council held on Thursday 24 January 2013 and sign as a true record of that meeting.</p> <p>The minutes of the Farndon Parish Council meeting held on Thursday 24 January 2013 were received and signed as a true record of that meeting.</p>	Signed

<p>FPC28/2013</p>	<p>7. Matters arising from the previous meeting's minutes: update by the clerk. The clerk pointed out that it might be necessary to make a Land Registry enquiry in order to establish land ownership of the meadow bordering the crusader mooring. Here would be a cost involved. The council authorised the clerk to make the necessary enquiry as long as costs remained below £100.</p>	
<p>FPC29/2013</p>	<p>8. To receive a report from the County Councillor Cllr Saddington had received an e-mail regarding the slipway by the river which she had forwarded to the council. She was assured that this had been replied to and that the writer had been invited to attend the meeting but had obviously chosen not to do so. Cllr Gafney complained that the customer service number for County Council was a less than satisfactory solution. He suggested that councillors should be given direct lines to ring. There were various comments that the work that had been carried on the road surface on Marsh Lane had been unsatisfactory and that other roads scheduled to be worked on had not. Cllr Saddington replied that the work being done was in preparation for the resurfacing work scheduled for the following financial year.</p>	
<p>FPC30/2013</p>	<p>9. To receive report from Newark and Sherwood District Councillors Cllr Baker said he had received a text message from Cllr Logue giving his apologies.</p>	
<p>FPC31/2013</p>	<p>10. To receive a report from FREG The tree planting on the A 46 was completed. The hedge and Bramble cutting around the ponds had been completed that week. A litter pick had revealed that single tyres had been dropped all over the village in odd places. On the 17th March there would be a litter pick from Long lane all the way up to the power station. The Riverside's car park was very muddy and resulted in cars carrying the mud all over the streets of the village.</p>	<p>Clerk to ask NSDC to come and collect</p>

FPC32/2013	<p>11. Committee reports:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Riverside, Ponds and General Purposes 06/02/2013 • Playing Fields, Cemetery and Churchyard 06/02/2013 • Finance: 13/02/2013 	The committee reports were received and accepted by the council.
FPC33/2013	<p>12. To receive a letter by Cllr Aslin regarding the council's manner of operation</p> <p>Cllr Aslin pointed out that he was receiving too many e-mails with content that was of no interest to him and that there were too many meetings for a council the size of Farndon. In his opinion there should be more time in between meetings thus giving the clerk more time.</p>	
FPC34/2013	<p>13. To receive update on the latest planning issues:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • 13/00156/FUL - conversion of existing outbuilding to form multi-purpose room and erection of attached double garage (Re-submission of 11/01497/FUL) , Manor Barns, Main Street <p>The council supported the planning application as there were no grounds for objection.</p>	
FPC35/2013	<p>14. Newark Growth Point</p> <p>None</p>	
FPC36/2013	<p>15. Correspondence</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • E-mail John Dodson re. ponds hedge cutting • BBC documentary Research • Creating Opportunities <p>Cllr Nelson agreed to meet with a representative from Barchester Healthcare</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Casinos consultation • Putting Communities first • First responder • East Midlands Allotments • Groundworks • PWLB • Sherwood Hospital Trust • The Beat • NCC Switch and Save 	Arrange meeting with Barchester Healthcare

FPC37/2013	16. Public Questions None	
FPC38/2013	17. Items For Notification Cllr Gafney reported that the safer neighbourhood group had not been working properly since the villages had been amalgamated with Balderton for the purposes of the group. The Balderton members seemed to be of the opinion that the safer neighbourhood group should be dealing exclusively with .with Balderton. The clerk was asked to write to Stephanie West at NSDC, Walter Hurst at Balderton Parish Council and Paddy Tipping, Police Commissioner. Cllr Baker stated that for the next finance meeting he wanted a list of all the groups the Parish Council subscribes to.	Clerk to write
FPC39/2013	18. Confirmation of next meeting The next scheduled meeting is 18 April 2013.	

The meeting closed at approximately 21.15