



# FAWKHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held at Fawkham Village Hall on Thursday 18 August 2022 at 7:30pm to transact the following business.

Shaun Fishenden  
Locum Clerk to Fawkham Parish Council

Members of the Parish Council:

Cllr Laura Evans (Chair), Cllr Maxine Fothergill, Cllr Will Johnstone, Cllr James Cherry

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## AGENDA

### 1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Cherry (holiday)

### 2. Declarations of Interest for items relating to the Agenda:

Councillors to make any declarations that may be required by virtue of the Parish Council's adopted Code of Conduct.

**Noted:** Cllr L Evans declared an interest in a planning enforcement matter being discussed due to it being a neighbouring property

### 3. Public Session

The Council's meetings are open to the public, however, only the first half hour is given for members of the public to raise any matters and partake in discussions. There are no further opportunities for members of the public to speak during the full Parish Council meeting. At the end of the agenda items the public will be asked to leave if the council will be discussing confidential matters.

**Noted:** Members of the public raised their concerns regarding the proposed Millwall Training Ground. Their particular concerns were around protecting the Green Belt, concerns of vehicles using Valley Road and no perceived benefit to the local community.

District Cllrs. L Harrison and E Bulford were present. They reported they had liaised with Mark Ansell regarding recent fly-tipping incidents and urged residents to continue reporting them. In terms of lighting at Brands Hatch causing a nuisance, it would be left until the darker nights in order to photograph the site.

### 4. Planning Applications:

Site: Land East Of Westfield Cottages Fawkham Road West Kingsdown Kent TN15 6AY  
Development: The construction of a training academy facility, a groundskeeper building and a security building, an indoor pitch and outdoor football pitches including an artificial football pitch and associated training areas, car and cycle parking and hard and soft landscaping. New access to Fawkham Road.  
Ref: 22/01961/FUL

**Resolved:** FPC would object to this application on the grounds of harm to the Green Belt and lack of benefit to the community.

Site: Woodlands Park Three Gates Road Fawkham Longfield Kent DA3 8NZ  
Development: Confirmation of the use of a dwelling.

Ref: 22/00365/LDCEX

**Resolved:** FPC stands by our previous comment on this application, we would remind SDC to verify whether the electoral register verifies claims about residing at the dwelling since 2017.

Site: Land to the rear of Hurtsgrove, Castle hill, Fawkham , Kent, DA3 7BQ  
Development: Demolition of existing buildings and structure and erection of a subterranean detached single storey three bedroom dwelling.  
Ref: SE/22/00666/FUL

**Resolved:** FPC did not need to make an additional comment

## 5. **Planning Updates:**

Site: Esperance Valley Road Fawkham  
Development: Demolition of existing outbuildings and structures; alteration of the garage roof to create a sloping green roof. Erection of a single storey extension to the side and rear of existing dwelling; and alterations to dwelling including alterations to fenestration, creation of a gabled entrance, and addition of render and timber cladding to elevations.  
Ref: 22/01293/HOUSE  
GRANTED

### **Noted**

Site: 4 Small Grains, Fawkham, Kent  
Development: Single storey ground floor rear extension, incorporating two roof windows in the mono-pitch. Removal of chimney.  
Ref: 22/01518/HOUSE  
GRANTED

### **Noted**

## 6. **Asset Register**

**To receive an update from Cllr Fothergill on remaining asset inspections, to note any budget implications and to sign off the register**

**Resolved:** Cllr Fothergill had provided updates/photographs to Locum Clerk; S Fishenden to update the asset register with this information. There would be a final sign-off at the next meeting.

## 7. **Salt Bins**

Proposal: To agree a date to move one salt bin and decide on plans to refill all three for Winter

**Resolved:** A date has been agreed of 10<sup>th</sup> September to relocate salt bin.

## 8. **CCTV**

Proposal: to review quotes received for electrical circuit for 24/7 supply and agreement of way forward

**Resolved:** It was agreed to defer this decision to the Fawkham Village Hall charity rather than FPC

## 9. **Electricity contract for the Christmas tree lights**

Proposal: To discuss and agree next steps



**Resolved:** It was agreed to delegate to the Clerk to agree a electricity supply contract up to a maximum of £200 for one year.

**10. Neighbourhood Plan**  
Update

**Noted:** Cllr L. Evans updated the Council that the Neighbourhood Plan was getting to the final stages of their evidence base work, albeit SDC are now updating their evidence base as part of the emerging Local Plan. A vision for the Neighbourhood Plan has been drafted. It was agreed that David Mansfield will join the Steering Group. A consultation is likely to take place next Spring/Summer 2023

**Resolved:** It was agreed to add Mr D Mansfield to the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

**11. Local Plan**

Update on the Local Plan.

Proposal: To utilise the Local Plan reserve fund of £2000, plus an additional sum of £200, as and when required to fund planning consultancy work by Tony Fullwood Associates in relation to the Local Plan and/or planning applications for major development within the Parish

**Resolved:** This was agreed. It was noted a Reg 18 consultation on urban site for the Local Plan was expected to take place in October/November, and that further Local Plan work will need to be budgeted for in 2023/24.

**12. CIL**

CIL - update on costs/estimates obtained for possible use of CIL monies

**Noted:** There is an imminent offer due to be released on defibrillators. We are awaiting a reply from electricians regarding new heating at Village Hall. We have also contacted KCC again about flashing school signs. Then we can reach decision on prioritisation and use of CIL monies.

**13. HIP**

Update on preparation of HIP

**Resolved:** It was agreed to defer this until the next meeting to determine priorities for the Highways Improvement Plan

**14. Village hall car park - Abandoned car.**

Proposal - Discuss and agree action to take.

**Noted:** The Locum Clerk had contacted SDC Direct Services who would visit to place a notice on the vehicle and then arrange for its removal if the owner doesn't come forward

**15. Chair and Councillors reports:**

To note any items not listed on the agenda.

**Noted:** Cllr L. Evans reported former Cllr Lucie Sleeman had returned her bank card, which has been destroyed.

Pond clearing by KCC will be taking place by Scudders Hill and Castle Hill next week

The Family Fun Day was well-attended. SDC have indicated next year they will solely use the Church Meadow



Road signs were being replaced by SDC. A list will be compiled for District Cllr. Harrison /Bulford to follow-up with.

The required maintenance works are expected to be completed shortly.

**16. Open Forum for Councillors to raise matters to be placed on the next agenda:**

Members are asked to consider agenda items for the next meeting. The details of the agenda item will be sent to the Clerk by the Thursday (one week) before the published meeting. Late details cannot guarantee inclusion on the proposed agenda.

**Noted**

**17. Agreement of dates, time and place for meetings for the forthcoming year 2022/2023:**

Dates to be agreed:

15 September 2022  
20 October 2022  
17 November 2022  
15 December 2022  
19 January 2023  
16 February 2023  
16 March 2023  
20 April 2023  
18 May 2023

**Resolved:** It was agreed to hold the next meeting on 7<sup>th</sup> September 2022. The Clerk would update the website.

**18. Confidential Item - Planning Enforcement:**

Proposal: to review, update and agree actions for cases.

**Resolved:** A number of cases were discussed and actions agreed.

***The meeting closed at 9:33pm***