



FAWKHAM PARISH COUNCIL

Draft minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held remotely by video link following agreed legislation on Thursday 7th January 2021 at 7.30 pm to transact the following business.

Laura Marchant
Clerk to Fawkham Parish Council

Members of the Parish Council:

Cllr Laura Evans (Chair), Cllr Alun Evans (Vice Chair), Cllr Duncan Harker, Cllr Maxine Fothergill, one vacancy

Parish Council Meeting Agenda

During the period of Government restrictions due to Coronavirus, agenda items are being limited to those that are critical and/or can be actioned under the restrictions.

1. Apologies for Absence:
Cllr J. Truder

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.
None

3. Members of the Public:
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.
D Cllr F.Parkin, D Cllr L.Harrison and 1 member of the public.

4. Planning applications:

Ref: 20/03642/LBCALT

Site: Fawkham Manor Hospital Manor Lane Fawkham KENT DA3 8ND

Development: Listed building consent for interior and exterior works relating to the conversion of Fawkham Manor to residential use (in conjunction with planning application 20/02299/FUL).

Note: FPC objects to this planning application

Comments were discussed and agreed on the Listed Building Consent application.

The additional comments below on the Planning Application are to be taken in addition to those already submitted:

1. The Transport Technical Note states at 1.3.8 that although it is acknowledged that the visibility at the junction of Manor Lane with Valley Road is sub-standard, the last 3 years crash data does not show any records. However, data for the last 10 years shows 4 records around that junction, plus 2 on Manor Lane itself and a further 3 at the Chapel Wood Road junction, one of which was serious.

2. Section 1.3.10 of the Transport Technical Note talks of residents using the services and facilities in New Ash Green, however a survey of Fawkham residents in 2019 shows residents are far more likely to use the services and facilities in Longfield, and access these via Valley Road.

Ref: SE/20/03748/ELEC

Site: Verge Opposite Brands, Hatch Hotel, Brands Hatch Road, Fawkham, KENT

Development: Installation of a new wooden pole as part of a localized improvement project.

Note: FPC has no objection subject to the verge being reinstated and a suitable grass/wildflower mixture being sown

5. Planning decisions/updates/notices:
None

6. Approve Minutes:

Proposed: To approve as a correct record the minutes of the Parish Council Meetings held on 15th December 2020, as attached.

Note: Cllr D.Harker asked to amend point 11 on his comment. No further amendments required.

It was proposed by Cllr L.Evans and seconded by Cllr D.Harker to adopt the minutes.

7. Matters Arising:

Matters arising relating to the Minutes, not on this agenda.

Note: Cllr L.Evans mentioned the recent accident that had occurred on Valley Road. The cause of the accident is not yet known. Cllr L.Evans has resent traffic information to Kent CCllr D.Brazier to escalate the PC views and back the Highways Improvement Plan 2019/20 and 2020/21. Kent CCllr D.Brazier will ask KCC to re-assess the speed limit along Valley Road in line with DfT circ 01/2013, especially the idea of the speed limit being 30mph past Fawkham Primary School/village hall, and to undertake an audit of the road's signage.

Note: A discussion took place as to the best way to let villagers know the work the PC has been doing on road safety issues. It was agreed to communicate this on the website/Facebook, asking for thoughts and comments by email, and to flag up that February's meeting will have this as a key item to look at progress. Note: Cllr L.Evans informed the PC that KCC had inspected the recently resurfaced area on Valley road and do not believe that the road is unsafe, they have however placed up uneven surface signs. Remedial work to the road surface will not take place until the better weather in the spring.

8. Chair and Councillors reports:

To note any items not listed on the agenda

Cllr L.Evans informed the PC that we are waiting to hear back from SDC regarding a meeting after advising them that FPC are going to be creating a NP. The formal application

for a designated area will be made in January. In January's meeting the Terms of Reference for the Steering Group will be agreed.
Cllr L.Evans asked DCllr L.Harrison to inform WKPC of FPCs intentions to create a NP.

9. 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 will cannot guarantee inclusion on the proposed agenda.

Cllr L.Evans asked for the budget and precept for 2021/22 to be placed onto the next agenda.

10. Dates for the year 2020:
Parish Council Meetings -
Thursday 21st January 2021, 7.30pm
Thursday 18th February 2021, 7.30pm
Thursday 18th March 2021, 7.30pm

The Annual Council Meeting (ACM) will be held once face to face meetings resume. All meetings will be held virtually via Zoom until face to face meetings resume.

To join the Parish Council Meeting please use the following details;

Topic: Fawkham Parish Council's Zoom Meeting
Time: Jan 7, 2021 07:30 PM London

Join Zoom Meeting
<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/83178903789?pwd=aTZkMUczQU02V21TN2o1VDI5cUxUdz09>

Meeting ID: 831 7890 3789
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