

FARLOW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting held in Farlow and Oretton Village Hall on **26 September 2019** commencing at 8 pm

Present	Parish Councillors	Geoff Wadsworth Chairman Anne Broomhall John Derricutt Neil Sutton Stephen Jones
	Clerk to the Council Unitary Councillor	Derick Bromley Madge Shineton

1 **Apologies**

An apology was received from Pete Brown

2 **Disclosable Pecuniary Interest**

Councillors were reminded of their obligation to declare any pecuniary interest they may have regarding **any** item on the agenda.

3 **Public Open Session**

No parishioners attended the Meeting

4 **Casual Vacancy**

The Clerk informed the Meeting we could fill this vacancy by co-option. Notices have been placed around the village and deadline for applications is 30 October 2019.

5 **Brown signs/Grant for Grass cutting Melville Chapel**

There was nothing further to report on this matter.

6 **Approve Minutes of Last Meetings**

The minutes of the last two meetings on 29 August and 18 September 2019 were approved.

7 **Unitary Councillors**

Madge Shineton reported as follows:

- There have been staff changes to the Action Team
- Next years finances were discussed. Given the state of British central politics no idea what awards will be granted 2020/21. Lots of lobbying going on the achieve fairer funding for rural counties.
- She reported on various health issues. New 111 service-we need to report any problems. There is to be a full maternity service review-NHS England are holding this up.
- Still no decision re A & E for Shropshire. Never ending.
- MyShropshire is the vehicle to report Highways and other issues.

7 **Unitary Councillors (continued)**

- The current review of Place Plans is nearly concluded.
- Poor Mobile phone service (especially ee) was the subject of many complaints. It was suggested we forward our complaints to Chris Taylor Ben Walker Clive Wright and our MP.

8 **Lengthsman**

Anthony Harman did not attend the Meeting.

Several highways issues were brought to the notice of the meeting notably;

- Fig tree growing out of the hedgerow Oreton New Road
- Bed of the river under the Bridge on Hardwicke Forge Road is causing concern.
- Down Bank in need of attention
- Highway surface near the Glebe Farlow Bank is very poor.

9 **Planning**

There were no applications to consider this month

.Moors Lane Enforcement

Still no action has been taken but Madge reports the issue is being addressed.

10 **Availability of Land by School**

We have expressed our interest to the Agent Nick Champion - we await further developments. Concern was expressed about the fate of the fir trees.

Subsequently Heads of Terms were received from the Agent and the Councillors convened on 6 October 2019 to discuss the logistical and financial implications. No firm conclusions were reached, and the Chairman and Councillor Jones were to have further discussions with Walter Link.

11 **Correspondence**

There was no correspondence to discuss this month.

12 **Finance**

- 1) The Bank Balances recorded were as follows
 - Current Account £28,585.31
 - 30 day Account £719.56
- 2) The Clerks salary/disbursements was approved in the sum of £332.45 net.
- 3) No other payments due

13 **Requests for Donations**

There were no requests for donations this month.

14 **Meetings attended**

No meetings attended.

15 **Bridleway Group.**

Nothing to report this month

16 **Items to be put on Agenda for next Meeting**

The following item is to be put on the Agenda for the Next Meeting

- Land by School

17 **Date of Next Meetings**

The next Meeting will be held on 31 October 2019. Meeting 8.00pm in Farlow and Oretton

The Meeting closed at c 9.00 pm