

# FARLOW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting held on Thursday 29<sup>th</sup> September 2022 in Farlow and Oretton Village Hall commencing at 8.00 pm.

<b>Present</b>	Parish Councillors	Neil Sutton – Chair Ann Broomhall Helena Hale Jim Workman Ian Elwell John Derricutt
	Clerk of the Council	Sue Jones
	Unitary Councillor	None in attendance
	Lenghsman	Anthony Harman
	Parishioners	Sarah Howells and Georgie Harding

## 1. Apologies

Apologies were received from Gwilym Butler and Simon Harris

## 2. Disclosable Pecuniary Interest

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

## 3. Public open session

Sarah Howells attended the meeting to give details of planning application 22/03996/FUL to be discussed later in the agenda.

## 4. Approve the minutes of the last meeting

The minutes of the last Meeting held on 25<sup>th</sup> August 2022 were approved and sanctioned to be posted to the website.

## 5. Report by Unitary Councillor

Apologies from Gwilym Butler were received for this meeting but his monthly report has been circulated to members. The Chairman highlighted the following items:

### **Warm Hubs**

The Chapel are having a soup kitchen.

### **Restoring Shropshire Verges**

Need to decide how best to manage the verge at the top of Oretton Bank, there are Pyramid Orchids that were cut down when the verge was cleared. Maybe Janet Cobb could be asked to attend the Annual meeting in May.

## 6. Vacancy for Parish Councillor

After the resignation of Laura Burrows, the Vacancy has been advertised and Emma Gittins attended the meeting to register her interest in the vacancy and to introduce herself. It was proposed by NS and agreed by all to Co-opt Emma to the Parish Council – Acceptance of Office and DPI forms to be completed. Emma was welcomed to the Parish Council.

### **Vacancy for the position of permanent clerk**

After the position of Clerk has been advertised by SALC, on notice boards and social media, no one has come forward. Sue Jones has agreed to be Interim Clerk until a permanent clerk is found.

### **7. Lenghsman and Highways**

- The glass in the notice board by The Gate has been broken, AH to arrange replacement.
- The hedge by the Plough has been done.
- AH is going to waterproof the notice boards and the bus shelters.
- Planings are needed on Springdale Road.
- The hedge by the Crossroads has been cut.
- The signpost by the New Inn has been measured up by Shropshire Council for replacement.
- The sign at the bottom of The Down road is broken, AH to look to see if the sign can be saved rather than a replacement sign being requested.

### **8. Planning**

**Planning application no 22/03996/FUL** Proposed affordable bungalow at The Pringle, New Road

After a discussion it was agreed to SUPPORT the application however the Parish Council would suggest a soakaway drainage system is installed rather than a sewage treatment plant. Discharging into the nearby watercourse on the southern boundary may cause issues in the future.

**Info only - Application no 22/04247/AGR** Portal framed building at Jubilee Bungalow, Withies Bank

**22/09006/ENF – Limekilns Chalet**

No further action to be taken

### **9. Platinum Jubilee mugs**

Some mugs were given out at the Fete and others have been delivered. There are around 35 remaining to be distributed, mainly in the Farlow to Farlow Crossroads area and New Road but these will be delivered shortly.

### **10. West Mercia Police – Local Community Charter**

After a discussion was held on the priorities of the Parish Council for the Charter it was agreed the following would be submitted:

1. Speeding
2. Rural Vehicle Theft
3. Rural Theft – Sheds, Barns etc

### **11. Correspondence**

None

**12. Donations**

None

**13. Finance**

**Bank Statements @ 08/08/22**

Current Account £28,675.22

Business Instant £720.14

**Cheques signed since last meeting**

Chq No. 000692	MedUK Group (Defib Batteries)	£617.94
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**14. Meetings attended**

No meetings attend during the last month

**15. Items to be put on agenda for the next meeting**

Bank Signatories

Long Service Award – D Bromley

**16. Date of next meeting**

The next meeting will be held on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> October in Farlow and Oretton Village Hall commencing at 8.00pm

9.55 pm meeting closed