

# Hemington, Hardington & Foxcote Parish Council

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## MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Held on Wednesday 8<sup>TH</sup> May 2019 following the Annual Parish Meeting at 19:30  
in Faulkland Village Hall

**Present:** Councillors J Blake, M Corney, V Curtis, F Green, and A Hucker (Vice Chairman).

**In attendance:** J Swift (Clerk) and 6 members of the public.

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Post Office – can a report of what the PO has provided for customers be obtained, then perhaps those that do not have transport can be helped by other villagers by getting stamps or delivering parcels. It was suggested that maybe the pub could sell stamps.

A question was asked if there was an update on the pub – there was nothing more to report, it is presently in the hands of the solicitors.

#### 2810 **Election of Chairman 2019/2020**

**Resolved** – that Councillor M Corney is elected Chairman of the Council for the municipal year 2019/2020. The Chairman duly signed her Acceptance of Office.

#### 2811 **Election of Vice Chairman 2019/2020**

**Resolved** – that Councillor A Hucker is elected Vice Chairman of the Council for the municipal year 2019/2020. The Chairman duly signed her Acceptance of Office.

#### 2812 **Apologies for absence**

There was none.

#### 2813 **Interests**

There was none.

#### 2814 **Minutes**

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 10<sup>th</sup> April 2019 were agreed to be a true record and were signed by the Chairman.

#### 2815 **Reports**

- (a) District Councillor's report – there was none. The Chairman gave thanks to Edward Drew for his work as the outgoing District Councillor. The Clerk will make contact with the newly elected District Councillor and invite them to the Parish Council meetings.
- (b) Report/update from the Chairman – there was none.
- (c) Clerks report – the report was previously circulated to all Councillors. The report was gone through at the meeting.

#### 2816 **Areas of responsibility**

**Resolved** – that the following areas of responsibility are:

Councillor J Blake – Speedwatch, Waste and Recycling and Data Protection

Councillor M Corney – Planning and Rights of Way

Councillor V Curtis – Rights Of Way, Waste and Recycling  
Councillor F Green – Faulkland Green and Pond  
Councillor T Hucker – Highways, Finance, Hemington matters and Playing Field

2817 **General Power of Competence**

**Resolved** - That the Parish Council meets the criteria for eligibility and adopts the General Power of Competence.

2818 **Planning**

<b>2019/0682/HSE 2019/0683/LBC</b>	<b>The Old Chapel, Steps Lane To Old School, Laverton</b> Removal of side bay and erection of a two-storey side extension with associated internal and external works	RECOMMEND TO <b>APPROVE</b>
<b>2019/0861/HSE</b>	<b>Chapel Farm barn, Knoll Lane, Faulkland</b> Proposed extensions to existing dwelling, including double garage with storage over and additional bedroom	RECOMMEND TO <b>APPROVE</b>

**(b) Resolved** – to note that the reply given to Mendip DC in respect of planning application **2019/0521/FUL** was to recommend APPROVAL.

**(c) Resolved** – that the planning decisions are noted.

2819 **Review of Financial Regulations**

**Resolved** – that the Financial Regulations are approved and adopted.

2820 **Review of Standing Orders**

**Resolved** – that with the additional entry detailed below, the Standing Orders are approved and adopted.

Planning – when an extension to the deadline for a planning application cannot be given by Mendip District Council the Chairman of the Council, or in his absence, the Vice-Chairman will request comments from all other members of the Council to achieve a response to Mendip District Council that all members agree with.

2821 **Finance**

(a) **Resolved** that the information was noted.

(b) **Resolved** – that month 12 was approved.

(c) **Resolved** – to pay all the payments as detailed in the agenda.

2822 **White Lines**

Councillors were all in receipt of the reply from the Traffic Engineer at Mendip DC in respect of double white lining. This matter was discussed and it was agreed to do the following:

- Put in a FOI request to Avon and Somerset Police for a full list of accidents, over the last 5 years, from Norton St Philip to Terry Hill crossroads.

- The Chairman will draft a response to the Traffic Engineer and also to Philip Ham in respect of the double white lines and also the dangers at the Terry Hill crossroad.

2823 **Assets of Community Value**

The Chairman reported that the draft ACV application would be sent to all Councillors for comment early next week.

2824 **Information Exchange**

Field at end of Bishops Street – dog walkers are not clearing up the dog mess and this is having an effect on the animals. A sign to be put up.

There was a request for an agenda item, for a handy man positions, to go on the next agenda.

Rock Cottage - gully still blocked

Waste bin in the lay-by - a replacement needs to be purchased but a different type  
Recycling – cardboard waste not being taken when it is listed that it is a collectable recyclable item. Some present reported that they do not have a problem.

Hollow Marsh lane – the issues reported at the last meeting have been viewed and photographs so this will now be reported.

Playground equipment – there is severe decay on the wooden timbers and the equipment is coming to the end of its life. The Clerk will apply for a grant from Radco.

2825 **Future meetings**

The next scheduled Parish meeting is to be held on Wednesday 12<sup>th</sup> June 2019 at 7.30pm, Faulkland Village Hall.

The Chairman thanked all for attending and closed the meeting at 8.30 pm