

Hemington, Hardington & Foxcote Parish Council

MENDIP DISTRICT OF THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held on Wednesday 10 May 2017 in Faulkland Village Hall at 20.05

Present: Councillors M. Corney (Chairman), V. Curtis, F. Hayward, T. Hucker, B. Seviour

In attendance: R. Campbell (Clerk), eight members of the public

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No member of the public wished to speak

2508 Chairman

RESOLVED (proposed Cllr Curtis, 2nd Cllr Hucker, unanimous) to elect Cllr Corney as Chairman for the coming year. There were no other nominations. Cllr Corney signed the declaration of acceptance of office.

Cllr Hucker thanked Cllr Corney for the excellent job he had done during the preceding year.

2509 Vice-chairman

RESOLVED (proposed Cllr Corney, 2nd Cllr Curtis, unanimous) to elect Cllr Hucker as Vice-chairman for the coming year. There were no other nominations.

2510 Apologies

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr F. Green. District Cllr E. Drewe had sent his apologies.

2511 Interests

There were no declarations of interests.

2512 Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 12/4/17 were agreed to be a true record. They were signed by the Chairman

2513 Calendar

The Parish Council agreed to continue meeting on the second Wednesday of the month in Faulkland Village Hall, except in October, when it will meet at Hemington School by kind permission of the Headteacher.

2514 Representation

Councillors' lead areas of responsibility and representation on outside bodies for the coming year were agreed.

2515 Clerk's Report

The Clerk reported on actions from previous meetings

2516 Planning

(a) Applications

2017/0893/HSE 26/04/2017 RESOLVED to recommend approval (proposed Cllr Corney, 2 nd Cllr Hucker, unanimous)	4 The Retreat Foxcote Radstock BA3 5YF	First floor extension over rear ground floor extension to create third bedroom; alteration of garage to form ancillary accommodation.
---	---	---

It was agreed to hold consideration of the following application over until 14 June, a time extension from the planning officer having been obtained:

Revised application 05/05/2017 2017/0395/FUL 02/03/2017	Land North of Faulkland High Street, Faulkland	Proposed eight dwellings with associated access.
--	---	--

(b) Planning decisions None

(c) Enforcement Mendip will investigate the new driveway at Rose Cottage, High Street. An application at this property which included new access had been refused the previous year.

2517 **Highways**

(a) Reinstatement of centre white at Faulkland

Cllr Hucker considered that the lack of a centre white line had slowed traffic. Councillors discussed the merits of white line vs. no white line or white line only at the ends but not in the centre of Faulkland. To be a 14 June agenda item for decision. The Clerk to post the plan on both notice boards

(b) Yellow lines in Faulkland High Street

Standing orders were suspended to allow public comment. A number of parishioners were concerned that if yellow lines were installed they might be unable to park outside their houses. Comments invited until end July. The Clerk to post the plan on both notice boards

(c) Actions agreed with Highways' Traffic Engineer The Parish Council was content for junction improvements at Fulwell Lane and Black Hill to go ahead. It was also happy for new signage at Tuckers Grave and Hassage Crossroads to go ahead, subject to the landlady of Tuckers Grave Inn being content. Other items to be held.

(d) Highway maintenance The Clerk to chase the date for a meeting with Highways Superintendent Graham Gibson.

2518 **Rights of way**

The Clerk to chase for a map of the proposed diversion of Burnt Hill Lane.

2519 **Defibrillator**

No funding update.

2520 **The Exchange**

Cllr Corney and Curtis will try to get the shelving in place by the beginning of June.

2521 Finance

- (a) The internally audited Accounts 2016-2017 were received and noted
- (b) Information to be supplied under Intermediate Review 2016-17 was agreed
- (c) The Annual Governance Statement 2016-17 was approved and signed by the Chairman and Clerk
- (d) The Accounting Statements 2016-17 were approved and signed by the Chairman and Clerk
- (e) The Month one financial statement was received and noted.
- (f) **RESOLVED** (proposed Cllr Corney, 2nd Cllr Curtis, unanimous) to pay the following:

May payroll	
Friends of St Mary's Hemington – budgeted churchyard grant 2017/18	300.00
Foxcote with Shoscombe PCC – budgeted churchyard grant 2107/18	100.00
Zurich Insurance plc – insurance 1.6.17 – 31.5.18	430.37

2522 Correspondence and reports

(a) Correspondence received since the last meeting was noted. No actions were identified.

(b) Miscellaneous reports

- Cllr Seviour provided additional detail about huge increases in garage rents and service charges at Fulwell Close. It was suggested he try the Citizens Advice Bureau, the County Councillor and the MP.
- Cllr Hucker noted an increase in bonfires. Green waste was not supposed to be burnt.
- The playing field dog bin was still overflowing

2523 Meetings

Date and time	Event	Location
14 June 19:30	Parish Council meeting	To be agreed