

Hemington, Hardington & Foxcote Parish Council

MENDIP DISTRICT OF THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL (HPC)

Held on Wednesday 8 November 2017 at 19:30 in Faulkland Village Hall

Present: Councillors V. Curtis, A. Hucker (Meeting Chairman), F. Green, F. Hayward, B. Seviour

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

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

- Lynda Le Ray said that the Faulkland Village Party would be on 29 December

2581 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr M. Corney (unwell)
District Cllr Drewe had sent his apologies. He was attending Mendip's Planning Board.

2582 Interests

There were no declarations of interests.

2583 Minutes

The minutes of HPC's meeting on 11 October 2017 were AGREED to be a true record, subject to the following amendments:

Minute 2572(d) first paragraph to read 'The Clerk will write to Savills about ploughing too close to the edges of tenanted fields. Cllr Green will speak to his tenant.'

Minute 2577, delete 'setting up', insert 'co-ordinating information for'.
The minutes were signed by the Chairman,

2584 Clerk's Report

Actions are reported under the relevant minute, below. In addition:

- Cllr Curtis had removed the duck boards at Faulkland Pond
- Malfunctioning street lights had been repaired
- Fly tipping at Hammer Lane had been removed
- SCC had been asked to ensure that the bus turns at Faulkland Green and stops by the pond
- An interested party had contacted the Chairman (Cllr Corney) to ask whether the Faulkland Inn had been registered as an Asset of Community Value (application made) and whether HPC would support it re-opening as a pub. Cllr Corney had said that it would.

2585 Planning

(a) The following application was considered:

2017/2645/FUL 16/10/17 RESOLVED to	Land Between Oaklea and The Cottage High Street Faulkland BA3 5UX Reason Lack of turning space, with	Detached garage and access driveway for 2 parking spaces to serve the dwelling
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recommend refusal (proposed Cllr Green, 2 nd Cllr Hucker, unanimous	safety implications for all vehicles using the lane between Oaklea and the Cottage.	approved 2016/1132. →
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The Parish Council commented on the following non-material amendment:

2017/2644/NMA 16/10/17	Land Between Oaklea and The Cottage High Street Faulkland BA3 5UX Comment The non-vernacular finish would affect the setting of Faulkland Green and stand out from the surrounding walls which have cock-and-hen finish. The original specification should be adhered to.	Alteration of 900mm high "cock and hen" topped rubble stone boundary walls to 900mm high "curved cement topped" rubble stone boundary walls.
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(b) Mendip planning decisions were noted as follows:

2017/2300/HSE Pear Tree Cottage Hemington	Widening of existing opening and addition of small single storey glazed extension to side of property.	Approval with conditions
2017/0395/FUL Land North of Faulkland High Street	8 dwellings with associated access (Amended plans received 2nd, 3rd and 4th May 2017)	Approval with conditions

(c) There were no enforcement updates.

2586 Highways and rights of way

(a) **RESOLVED** (proposed Cllr Hayward, 2nd Cllr Seviour, unanimous) to request 'Horses' signs on Hammer Lane

(b) It was agreed to leave further consideration of street names until December.

(c) Yellow and white line proposals County Councillor Ham had written that though he was not personally in favour of yellow lines he would support the proposal if it was what the majority of Faulkland residents wanted.

SCC Highways had varied the timing of their annual advertisement for a Traffic Regulation Order for yellow lines. The next would be in Autumn 2018. Highways had advised that the statutory process can take months and lines are not painted in the winter, so likely implementation would be March 2019.

The Traffic Engineer will add proposals for white lining on the A366 between Faulkland and Norton St Philip to his programme (April 2017 – April 2018). HPC was still chasing for a meeting to establish the extent of the lines and to discuss its request for a 50mph limit.

(d) Highways update The Terry Hill Crossroads scheme is currently being packaged for issue to the contractor, with construction planned in the new year. The Traffic Regulation Order will be advertised shortly.

(e) There were no rights of way updates

2587 Village maintenance

(a) Part-time parish maintenance person It was agreed to include £900 in the draft 2018/19 budget, for consideration in December.

Cllr Corney had advised that he will provide a draft job description.

The Clerk will provide details of relevant employment/contractual requirements.

(b) Waste bin at Faulkland Playing Field

RESOLVED (proposed Cllr Hucker, 2nd Cllr Green, unanimous) to move the general waste bin currently just inside Faulkland Playing Field to just outside the field, adjacent to the dog bin. Mendip would then empty the general bin too.

(c) It was agreed that the Christmas tree should continue to be sited in front of Faulkland Village Hall.

2588 Finance

(a) The Month 7 financial statement was approved

(b) **RESOLVED** (proposed Cllr Green, 2nd Cllr Hucker, unanimous) to pay the following:

Idverde – grass cutting October, inc. VAT	235.72
Clerk's salary November	180.96
HMRC November	45.20

2589 Items of Information

(a) The Exchange Shelves had been bought and it was hoped to put them up the following week.

(b) General Data Protection Regulation It will be a requirement for HPC to have an external Data Controller from May 2018. £100 will be put in the draft budget 2018/19 for this purpose.

(c) Correspondence received since the last meeting had been circulated. No actions were identified.

(d) Miscellaneous reports

- Cllr Green will talk to the Francis Brothers about cutting the hedge in front of the top speed sign. If the flashing sign still does not work, a new battery will be required.
- There had been a serious accident near Mount Pleasant a few days earlier

2590 Future meetings

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as

13 Dec 19:30	Parish Council meeting (Budget)	Faulkland Village Hall
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The Chairman thanked all for coming and closed the meeting at 20:50.