Hemington, Hardington & Foxcote Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Held on Wednesday 14 November 2018 at 19:30 in Faulkland Village Hall

Present: Councillors J Blake, V Curtis, F Green, F Hayward and A Hucker (Vice-chairman) **In attendance**: J Swift (Clerk) and 9 members of the public

PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

It was mentioned that work has stopped at a site in the village and the site has been abandoned. Reasons for the site being abandoned were given but it was explained that this was not a matter for the Parish Council.

A question was asked if the Christmas tree has been ordered. The Clerk will order, and it will be delivered to Councillor Greens property who will then make the necessary arrangements for it to be put up.

2727 Apologies

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor M Corney.

2728 Interests

Councillor J Blake declared an interest in the planning applications relating to Faulkland Inn. Councillor Blake agreed to leave the meeting when the application was discussed. Councillor Green declared an interest in the planning application relating to 11 Westmead, Faulkland and did not vote.

2729 Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting of 11th October 2018 were agreed to be a true record and were signed by the Chairman.

2730 Reports

(a) <u>District Councillor's report</u> – details of why the application for Land South of Oldfield Barn Bungalow, Faulkland was withdrawn were given. The applicant has been asked to revise the application.

The ACV (Asset of Community Value) if this been done and served then no works can be done on the site (Clerk will investigate and report back at the next meeting).

Whilst the village hall and green and garden of number 2 are registered not all the area is and modification is required to include all the correct areas.

Mendip DC are to review the local plan in January. B&NES Council are presently doing theirs.

(b) Report/update from the Chairman – there was none.

(c) <u>Clerk's report</u> – the Clerk read out the update that had been provided to Councillors via email.

2731 Planning

(a) The following applications were considered.

2018/2375/LBC 2018/2374/FUL	Faulkland Inn, Faulkland - Conversion of redundant barn to 2 dwelling associated with parking	RESOLVED to recommend refusal – concerns that a reduction in resources could make it a nonviable business. Poor access to rear from Fulwell Lane. The description of it being a redundant barn was misleading as an old skittle alley
2018/2308/FUL	Land South of Oldfield Farm Bungalow, Faulkland To Norton St Philip Road Faulkland - Conversion of existing hay barn to a workshop and extension to the north and south elevations, creation of parking spaces, wildlife pond and poly tunnels, retention of existing Keder and composting bays and conversion of an existing poultry house into a water storage enclosure	Application withdrawn
2018/2644/HSE	11 Westmead, Faulkland - Single storey rear extension	Resolved to recommend approval

(b) Planning decisions

Resolved – that the planning applications determined by Mendip District Council were received and noted.

2732 Highways and Rights Of Way

(a) Highways – the amount of accidents on Terry Hill and on the A366 still appear to be on the increase. Since the road through Buckland Dinham has closed the amount of traffic in the area has increased. It was suggested that a temporary sign is needed to warn drivers of the back-up of traffic leading up to the Terry Hill crossroads. The

There are concerns with some hedgerows being taken out at the end of Fullwell Lane. The site will be visited to see what, if any, action is required.

- (b) Road Traffic Accidents that the information was noted.
- (d) Speed watch there are now 8 people on the team. On line training is taking place, once this has been completed the physical training will be done.
- (e)
- (d) Fingerpost repair there was no further update.

Councillor F Hayward arrived at 8.05pm

2733 Mobile Temporary Speed Indicator Device (SID) Programme 2018 update

An update was provided on the speed cameras – they are now in 3 places – Norton St Philip, Faulkland and Farleigh Hungerford. They are very successful and have captured a significant number of speeding vehicles as they are able to identify vehicles that constantly speed. It is hoped that the cameras will go into production soon.

Batteries are needed for the 2 existing cameras that are in Faulkland and it was suggested that one of the cameras needs to be moved into a better position, this can be achieved by putting on an angle pole.

Resolved – a price for the batteries will be sought and brought back to the next meeting for consideration

2734 Play Inspection

The Clerk read out all the 'moderate risks' in the report and informed Councillors that DIY repairs should not be carried out unless they are endorsed by the original manufacturer or installer and repairs should always be carried out by a competent person.

Resolved – that prices are sought for replacement play equipment.

2735 Finance

- (a) The Month 7 financial statement was APPROVED
- (b) **RESOLVED** to pay all the payments as detailed in the agenda.

2736 Grant request

Resolved – not to approve a grant for Citizens Advice.

2737 Future meetings

The next scheduled Parish Council meeting is to be held at **7.30pm on Wednesday 12**th **December 2018** at Faulkland Village Hall.

2738 Exclusion of press and public

Resolved – that pursuant to the provision of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting for the following items of business by reason of the confidential nature of business to be transacted – commercial interests.

2739 Tree works on the Green

Resolved – that the quote for the works to be done at a cost of £1,400 is approved.

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