

# HEMINGTON, HARDINGTON & FOXCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

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## MENDIP DISTRICT OF THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING held at 8.00pm on Wednesday 13 July 2011 at Faulkland Village Hall

**Present:** Councillors M. Brombley, E. Drewe (Chairman), F. Green (after minute 1599), D. Perkins, P. Roberts

**In attendance:** four members of the public

**1588 Apologies**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Knight, who was on holiday.

**1589 Declarations of Interest**

Cllrs Drewe and Perkins declared a personal and prejudicial interest in item 1594 (i) Heywood Farm

**1590 Minutes**

The minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on 18 May 2011 were **approved** and signed by the chairman.

The minutes of the meeting of the parish council meeting held on 8 June 2011 were **approved** and signed by the chairman.

**1591 Finance**

(i) The following item was **approved** for payment (proposed Cllr Brombley):  
Clerk's salary for June

**1592 District Councillor's report**

Cllr Drewe said that the Liberal Democrats had recently appointed shadows for all cabinet posts. The People and Places group will carry out necessary work on the Local Development Framework prior to submission of Part One to the Secretary of State. Most of the licencing decisions were reached by a sub-committee, of which he would shortly attend a meeting. Meetings of the Committee itself were often cancelled as the work had been done.

**1593 Parish Design Statement**

David Clark, Mendip Conservation Officer, considered that the design statement was generic in nature and needed tightening up for the specific needs of the parish. This information had been passed to the Parish Plan Committee.

**1594 Planning**

(i) Application: the meeting would not be quorate without Cllrs Drewe and Perkins, who had declared an interest in planning item Heywood Farm. The item was deferred (*see Minute 1594 continued, after minute 1599*).  
(ii) Updates: none.

**1595 Allotments**

**Agreed** the parish council would pay £250 towards the cost of the lease (proposed Cllr Perkins, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Drewe).

Twelve allotments are anticipated at a rent of £30 each per annum, allowing money for upkeep of the site.

**1596 Faulkland Playing Field**

(i) Timberline, manufacturer of the play equipment, had quoted £1200.98 ex VAT to repair it. **Agreed** to make an insurance claim.

The damaged equipment had been taped off but the tape had been removed. The tape to be replaced and 'keep off' notices installed.

(ii) Cllr Green to be asked if he could store the football goal from the Greenway houses end of the playing field, if it were removed as requested by a resident.

(iii) Cllr Brombley would see if lottery funding could be obtained for new play equipment and possibly a skate park. She was keen to see a parish-wide leaflet drop and a barbecue, in order to seek ideas, especially from younger people, for the playing field

**1597 Rights of Way**

(i) No progress to report on the Buckland Dinham to Hardington path, or other paths. Cllr Roberts confirmed he would walk the parish paths.

**1598 Clerk's appraisal**

It was **agreed** (proposed Cllr Brombley, 2<sup>nd</sup> Cllr Perkins) to increase the Clerk's salary to point SCP 27 (£11.932 per hour). Councillors considered the clerk was doing a good job.

After discussion of the work involved, it was **agreed** to increase the Clerk's hours from 13 to 18 per month.

**1599 Correspondence and reports**

(i) Correspondence: Councillors reviewed the following correspondence received since the last meeting. No items needing action were identified.

(ii) Miscellaneous reports: a parishioner reported that the public telephone in Faulkland was in a bad state of repair; the adjacent footpath needed resurfacing.

Cllr Brombley took the chair.

Cllrs Drewe and Perkins left the meeting.

Cllr Green joined the meeting.

**1594 (contd) Planning**

Application:

**2011/1065** (full planning permission) Heywood Farm, Terry Hill, Radstock BA3 5UF.

Erection of poultry laying shed. **Parish Council recommendation: approval**

**1600 Date of next meeting**

**Agreed** for Wednesday 10 August, Faulkland Village Hall, 7.30pm.

The meeting closed at 8.15 pm