HEMINGTON, HARDINGTON & FOXCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

MENDIP DISTRICT OF THE COUNTY OF SOMERSET

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 12 December 2012 at Faulkland Village Hall

Present: Councillors M. Brombley, E. Drewe (Chairman), F. Green **In attendance**: R Campbell (Clerk), 15 members of the public

Absent: Cllr D. Perkins

1799 Apologies for absence

RESOLVED to accept the following apologies for absence:

Cllr Knight, Cllr Roberts, both unwell

1800 Interests

There were no declarations of interest

1801 Minutes

RESOLVED that the minutes of the PC meeting of 14 November 2012 be accepted as a true record. They were signed by the chairman.

1802 Councillors discussed the following motion, proposed by Cllr Green:

"This council opposes the building of any further open market housing in Faulkland village outside the current development boundary (adopted December 2002)."

PUBLIC The chairman adjourned the meeting and declared a public forum. Comments on the **FORUM** above motion were invited and noted. The chairman thanked the speakers and reconvened the parish council (PC) meeting.

1802 contd The above motion was put to the vote and lost.

PUBLIC The chairman adjourned the meeting and declared another public forum. Comments on **FORUM** Mendip's Draft Local Plan were noted. The chairman thanked the speakers and reconvened the parish council (PC) meeting.

1803 Mendip Draft Local Plan Part 1

RESOLVED (2 votes to 1) to accept Part I of the Draft Local Plan.

1804 Finance

- (i) Possible uncertainties over precept funding were noted
- (ii) Councillors discussed fundraising possibilities to enable the purchase of a defibrillator; Cllr Drewe will investigate grants.
- (iii) **RESOLVED** (proposed Cllr Green, 2nd Cllr Brombley) to pay:

Staff salaries December 2012

Cheques were signed at the end of the meeting by Cllrs Drewe and Brombley.

(iv) **RESOLVED** (proposed Cllr Drewe, 2nd Cllr Brombley) to make a grant of £40 to Mendip citizens Advice Bureau.

1805 Planning

(i) **RESOLVED** to recommend that the following application be left to the planning officer:

2012/2755 Haywood Farm, Terry Hill, Radstock BA3 5UF. The erection of an extension to the poultry processing plant, reconfigured access roads around the building and a landscaped earth bund. Full planning permission.

(ii)The following approval by Mendip DC was noted:

2012/1649 Lime Kiln Farm, Faulkland, Somerset BA3 5XE. Conversion of and extension of outbuilding to form holiday let

1806 Allotments

One person from another parish was interested in an allotment.

Cllr Drewe will put up a sign advertising the allotments

1807 Highways and rights of way

No update

1808 Playing Field

- (i) Quotations for grass cutting in 2013 would be available at the next (budget) meeting
- (ii) Bad weather meant no progress with the play area safety surface.
- (iii) No-one had been in further contact about a proposed skateboarding area.

1809 Faulkland Green

The Clerk will try to obtain a Christmas tree. Mr Tony Hucker had acquired lights.

1810 Correspondence and reports

(i) Councillors noted the following correspondence received since the last meeting.

Mendip District Council (MDC) – Parishes Information Bulletin December 2012 – available online at http://www.mendip.gov.uk/Article.asp?id=SX9452-A7805520&cat=94

District Police Superintendent's newsletter (about implementing priorities of new Police & Crime Commissioner)

(ii) The District Councillor's had nothing particular to report. Cllr Drewe was concerned that there was no income from Faulkland Playing Field.

(iii) Miscellaneous reports and information

Cllr Brombley had written to PCSO Yvonne Mears and it was hoped she would come to a PC meeting to talk about security.

Lynda Le Ray will try to walk the un-amended route of the Burnt Lane byway supplied by Somerset Rights of Way and note obstructions.

1811 Future meetings

RESOLVED that the dates of the next two parish council meetings be as follows Wednesday 9 January 2013 (budget), 7.30pm, Faulkland Village Hall Wednesday 13 February 2013 7.30pm, Faulkland Village Hall

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.47 pm