

FARINGDON TOWN COUNCIL

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Clerk: Sally Thurston



Minutes of a meeting held on Wednesday 13th December at 7.15pm in the Jubilee Room, the Pump House, Faringdon

Cllrs Present	Mike Wise (Town Mayor) David Barron (Deputy Town Mayor) Pauline Beesley Kiera Bentley Jane Boulton Al Cane James Famakin Julie Farmer Mark Greenwood Steve Leniec Richard Marsh Andrew Marsden Anne Marie Wright
In Attendance:	D/Cllr. Roger Cox Rebekah Pugh, Deputy Town Clerk Sally Thurston, Town Clerk
1/1/18	Apologies for Absence County Cllr. Judith Heathcoat District Cllr Mohinda Kainth Cllr. Angela Finn Mark Blatch, Chamber of Commerce
2/1/18	Minutes of last meeting The minutes of the meetings held on Thursday 7 th December 2017 and Wednesday 11 th December 2017 were signed as a correct record.
3/1/18	Declarations of Interest & requests for dispensations None
4/1/18	Public Speaking and Question Time None
5/1/18	Reports from Outside Bodies <ol style="list-style-type: none"> a) Thames Valley Police – no report available b) Chamber of Commerce Members NOTED a report
6/1/18	County Councillor's Report Members NOTED a written report from County Cllr. Judith Heathcoat.
7/1/18	District Councillors' Report Members NOTED a report from District Cllr. Roger Cox. Following questions Cllr. Cox agreed to investigate the following: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A discrepancy between number of extra houses and tax base. • Signs in the town centre that appear not to have permission and standards of maintenance in a conservation area. Cllr. Wise was asked to email details of specific issues. • How / if building standards are monitored on the new estates. Cllr. Leniec commented that because a boundary review will not take place until after significant development a large number of houses that will eventually become part of Faringdon are not within the Faringdon Neighbourhood Plan boundary and therefore the FNP was not enforceable when planning is granted. It was felt that a boundary change should take place before development.

8/1/18	<p>Chairman's Activity Report Members NOTED an activity report from Town Mayor, Cllr. Mike Wise</p> <p>Cllr. Barron, Deputy Mayor reported that a Deputy Mayor's Charity Bazaar held in December was successful. Prizes for a children's story book competition were presented. Cllr. Beesley reported that he winning book had been printed and was for sale, it had also been translated into French as a gift for our twin town, Le Mêle-sur-Sarthe.</p>
9/1/18	<p>Reports from Committees Members NOTED minutes and reports of the following meeting, including decisions taken under delegated authority:</p> <p>a) Planning & Highways Committee: 20th December 2018 Cllr. Marsden highlighted that the Council had strongly objected to a 3G football pitch that is to be located at the Leisure Centre. It was felt the type of pitch and location were wrong. The FNP clearly states that the pitch should be a multi-use pitch (4G), the pitch outlined in the application is a football pitch (3G). District Cllr. Cox had asked the Leisure Team at VWHDC to explain to the Council the parameters of the pitch and what it was capable of. Cllr. Marsden asked Cllr. Cox to suggest that the location of the pitch and running track were reversed to help with local concern. Cllr. Cox was also asked to investigate possible parking and accessibility issues that could arise if the pitch went ahead. The Council feel that the pitch should be made accessible to all residents and not restricted to Community College use only.</p>
10/1/18	<p>Clerk's Report & Schedule of Payments (attached appendix 1) Cllr. Wise PROPOSED that the schedule of payments up to and including January 10th 2018 be APPROVED. This was SECONDED by Cllr. Marsden and RESOLVED.</p>
11/1/18	<p>Increase in council tax to help protect operation policing Members received and NOTED a public consultation from the office of the Police and Crime Commissioner. Members felt that the consultation did not provide enough information to enable the public to make an informed decision. Cllr. Wise encouraged all members to take part in the consultation.</p>
12/1/18	<p>Events 2018 Members received and NOTED a list of events.</p>
13/1/18	<p>Items for Information Only. Cllr. Beesley showed members a model hare that had arrived as part of the Hare Trail that she was co-ordinating. Six, six-foot fibreglass hares would be decorated by local artists and added to the Cotswold Hare Trail that would, hopefully, encourage tourists to come to Faringdon. There would also be ten small hares in local shop windows. Cllr. Beesley asked members to support and publicise the project. The Hare Trail will be financially supported by local businesses.</p>
14/1/18	<p>Correspondence Members NOTED, for information only, correspondence from 13th December 2017 up to and including 10th January 2018.</p>

The meeting closed at 8.05pm

APPENDIX 1

CLERK'S REPORT January 2018		
Salaries December		
Salaries by BACS	Salaries	£ 13,267.39
HMRC by BACS	Tax and NI	£ 2,742.80
OCC by Cheque	Pension Contributions	£ 4,252.13
Paid early due to urgency		
ICL Lighting	Nativity Lighting	£ 996.00
N Hopkins	Sand Art	£ 60.00
Wantage Silver Band	Agency	£ 306.00
BACS Payments		
PHS	Sanitary wasyte disposal	£ 408.92
Spurgeons	Childrens services	£ 8,289.25
Paul Gray	Planters	£ 84.00
Lease plan UK	Van Lease	£ 169.48
Zurich	Lift Inspection / insurance	£ 708.16
Film bank	Film License	£ 99.60
D Barron	Expenses	£ 30.00
M Bradley	Agency	£ 657.00
L Remington	Agency	£ 426.60
J Marshall	Agency	£ 255.60
Travis Perkins	Paint	£ 54.00
B & W Lift Services	Lift Service	£ 384.00
AIS	Copier Costs	£ 55.38
MHP	Calendars	£ 240.00
Rotary	Xmas Trees	£ 92.00
CIS	IT Services	£ 169.20
Digi Press	Stock	£ 48.00
Microshade	Anti virus	£ 43.20
Direct Debits		
Coop Bank	Credit Card Repay	£ 491.51
O2	Mobiles	£ 85.20
Fuel Card Services	Fuel Card	£ 7.20
ANLX	Wesite	£ 22.80
Trade UK	Maintenance items	£ 3.59
Mainsteam	Telephones	£ 156.06
British Gas	Gas metre	£ 59.87
Castle Water	P/House, Tuckers, C/Ex OTH Water	£ 778.87
Barclaycard	Merchant Charges	£ 44.19
Total Town Council Invoices		£ 35,488.00

