

FARINGDON TOWN COUNCIL

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Clerk: Sally Thurston



Minutes of a Town Council meeting to held on Wednesday 13th June 2018 at 7.15pm in the Jubilee Room, the Pump House, Faringdon.

Cllrs Present:	<p>David Barron (Town Mayor) Kiera Bentley (Deputy Town Mayor) from minute 8/10/18 Jane Boulton Al Cane James Famakin from minute 5/10/18 Mark Greenwood from minute 7/10/18 Steve Leniec Mike Wise Anne Marie Wright</p>
In attendance	<p>Rebekah Pugh, Deputy Town Clerk 1 member of the public from minute 13/10/18</p>
Minute no:	
1/10/18	<p>Apologies for Absence C/Cllr. Judith Heathcoat, D/Cllr. Roger Cox, PC Goodenough, Cllrs Andrew Marsden, Julie Farmer, Town Clerk Sally Thurston</p>
2/10/18	<p>Minutes of last meeting The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 9th May 2018 were signed as a correct record.</p>
3/10/18	<p>Declarations of Interest & requests for dispensations To None</p>
4/10/18	<p>Public Speaking and Question Time None</p>
5/10/18	<p>Reports from Outside Bodies a) Thames Valley Police – the latest Neighbourhood Policing Newsletter was NOTED.</p>
6/10/18	<p>County Councillor’s Report Members NOTED a report from County Cllr. Judith Heathcoat.</p>
7/10/18	<p>District Councillors’ Report Members NOTED a report from District Cllr. Roger Cox. Cllr. Wise expressed disappointment that the VWHDC have more coverage than FTC in the Folly Newspaper. It was NOTED that FTC need to increase the content placed in this important local publication. Cllr. Boulton highlighted Point 6 in District Cllr. Roger Cox’s report regarding a ‘no notice inspection’ of Faringdon Leisure Centre. It was proposed that the Town Clerk and Deputy Town Clerk be delegated to make contact with the Leisure Centre to arrange a meeting to find out about resident usage, condition and future needs of this facility in order to inform further action by FTC.</p>
8/10/18	<p>Chairman’s Activity Report Members received and NOTED an activity report from Town Mayor, Cllr. David Barron.</p>
9/10/18	<p>Reports from Committees Members NOTED minutes and reports of the following committee meetings, including decisions taken under delegated authority: a) Planning & Highways: 23rd May 2018 Members were updated about Cllr. Bentley’s site visit to Badbury Clump it was PROPOSED and AGREED that FTC write a letter of support to The National Trust for the cycle trail and requested to be actively</p>

	<p>informed.</p> <p>b) Strategic working Party: 30th May</p>
10/10/18	<p>Clerk's Report & Schedule of Payments</p> <p>Cllr. Barron PROPOSED that the schedule of payments up to and including June 13th 2018 (appendix 1) be APPROVED. This was SECONDED by Cllr. Steve Leniec and RESOLVED.</p>
11/10/18	<p>Town Council Accounts - 1st April 2017 to 31st March 2018</p> <p>I. Annual Governance Statement 2017/18 Cllr. Barron PROPOSED that the annual governance statement be APPROVED. This was SECONDED by Cllr. Wise and RESOLVED. Cllr. Barron signed the governance statement as correct.</p> <p>II. Accounting Statements 2017 /18 Cllr. Wise PROPOSED that the accounting statements for 2017/18 be APPROVED. This was SECONDED by Cllr. Bentley and RESOLVED. Cllr. Barron signed the accounting statements as correct.</p> <p>III. Reconciliations as at 31.3.2018 These were NOTED.</p>
12/10/18	<p>Vale of the White Horse s106 Query</p> <p>Members received and considered a response from the VWHDC to FTC query regarding allocation of s106 funds. It was PROPOSED that FTC complain to the Chief Executive of South Oxfordshire and Vale of White Horse District Councils as per advice received from OALC. It was PROPOSED that a draft response by Cllr. Marsden and Cllr. Wise be circulated and remaining members to send comments to the Planning Clerk with a deadline of 10am on 15th June 2018. It was further PROPOSED that the Planning Clerk in conjunction with Cllrs. Marsden and Wise prepare a final response to send by the deadline of 19th June 2018.</p>
13/10/18	<p>Budgens Site</p> <p>Members received and considered a recommendation from Planning and Highways Committee that Full Council consider this issue. It was NOTED that the loss of the Budgens site is of considerable concern to both members and residents. It was PROPOSED that FTC issue a press release to express shared concerns and remind residents that they are freely able to come to FTC meetings to voice concerns.</p>
14/10/18	<p>Conservation Area</p> <p>Members received and considered a recommendation from Planning and Highways Committee that Full Council consider this issue. Members felt that not enough information was available and that this item be should be referred back to Planning and Highways. It was further PROPOSED a cost benefit analysis be presented at a future meeting.</p>
15/10/18	<p>Memorial Plaque</p> <p>Members considered and APPROVED the placing of memorial plaques to Rick Ebsworth on the planter outside the Corn Exchange.</p>
16/10/18	<p>Infant School Governor</p> <p>Members considered appointing a representative to act as Faringdon Infant School. Governor. Cllr. Wise previously held this position and found that meetings clashed with council meetings. The Deputy Town Clerk informed members that the infant school were meeting at the same time as Full Council to discuss changing meeting times. It was PROPOSED this item be DEFERRED until new meeting time information had been received.</p>
17/10/18	<p>Armed Forces Covenant</p> <p>Members considered signing the Armed Services Covenant. Cllr. Greenwood expressed concern that whilst he fully supported the signing he wanted to ensure that FTC could uphold these promises. Cllr. Wise has previously signed the covenant. It was PROPOSED, SECONDED and RESOLVED that Cllr. Barron sign the document without amendments at the event on the 25th June. It was further PROPOSED that the Council sign the Local Authorities Armed Forces Covenant. This was SECONDED and RESOLVED.</p>
18/10/18	<p>Community First Engagement plan</p> <p>Members considered a community engagement plan put forward by Community First Oxfordshire. Members felt that this decision was for the communities and partnership committee and DEFERRED approval of the plan to Communities and Partnership</p>

	Committee. It was further PROPOSED that item b, the resurrection of a Neighbourhood Plan Steering group be DEFERRED until a decision on the community engagement plan had been taken.
19/10/18	Bus Shelters Members considered accepting responsibility for the bus shelters installed on Park Rd. £5000 has been offered for maintenance per shelter but members felt they did not have enough information to make a decision.
20/10/18	Invitation from OCC Members appointed representatives of either the Town Clerk or Deputy Town Clerk and Cllr. Bentley to attend forums with OCC leader, Chief Executive and officers on the 19 th September 2018.
21/10/18	S106 Applications – Cricket Members received and considered endorsing applications to VWHDC for improvements to cricket facilities in: a) Faringdon b) Buscot it was AGREED that both applications be fully supported by FTC.
22/10/18	Items for Information Only <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Spurgeons have confirmed that any monies paid before service implemented will be carried over to extend the project • Deputy Town Clerk, Rebekah Pugh has passed her CILCA qualification • The charity gala drama performance of Faringdon Follies in partnership with Faringdon Dramatic Society was a huge success and raised £410 for The Place • Cllr. Wise expressed dissatisfaction that his CV and signature had been circulated as an item for information only in relation to the appointment to the Executive Committee of OALC. The Deputy Town Clerk apologised and Cllr. Barron suggested this apology be minuted.
23/10/18	Correspondence Members NOTED correspondence from 9th May up to and including 13th June 2018.

The meeting closed at 9.20pm

CLERK'S REPORT June 2018**Salaries June**

Salaries by BACS	Salaries	£ 12,243.18
HMRC by BACS	Tax and NI	£ 2,482.34
OCC by Cheque	Pension Contributions	£ 3,955.36

BACS Payments

Aston James	Stationery - paid early	£ 2.21
Faringdon New papers	Stock - Paid	£ 22.28
Mrs Ebsworth	Planters - paid	£ 160.00
Quidne IT	Laptop repair	£ 108.00
Spurgeons	Family Services	£ 2,763.08
AIS ITD	Copier costs	£ 117.97
SLCC	Conference x 2	£ 672.00
BIFFA	Waste disposal	£ 509.78
CIS	Hosted IT	£ 385.06
Microshade	Anti Virus 2 months	£ 81.60
Lease Plan	Avan lease	£ 169.48
ANLX	Webhosting x 2 months	£ 45.60
B&W Lift Services	Lift servicing and repair	£ 600.00
Zurich	Insurance	£ 10,775.23
Pauls Planters	Summer planters	£ 150.00
Filmbank	Film License	£ 112.36
TVE	Strimmer repair	£ 168.29
Shred IT	Confidential shred	£ 421.15
in4m	Stock	£ 30.00

Direct Debits

Coop bank	Credit Card repay	£ 365.51
VWHDC	Rates PH	£ 357.00
VWHDC	Rates C/Ex	£ 744.00
PWLB	Loan repayment	£ 5,005.00
SSE	C/ex Electricity	£ 1,259.36
SSE	P/House gas	£ 333.83
SSE	OTH Electric	£ 280.40
SSE	P/House Electric	£ 249.71
SSE	PHP Electric - to be reimbursed	£ 685.70
Castle Water	C/ex	£ 37.05
Castle Water	Tuckers park - to be reimbursed	£ 47.17
Castle Water	P/House	£ 154.44
Fuel Card Services	Fuel	£ 117.89
Mainstream	Telephone and broadband	£ 78.61
Screw Fix	Maintenance items	£ 59.97
Barclay Card	Merchant fees	£ 30.58
O2	Mobiles	£ 71.07

Total Town Council Invoices		£ 45,852.26
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