

FARINGDON TOWN COUNCIL

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Clerk: Sally Thurston



| Minutes of a Town Council meeting held on Wednesday 12th December at 7.15pm in the Jubilee Room, the Pump House, Faringdon | |
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| Cllrs Present: | David Barron (Chairman) Kiera Bentley (Deputy Mayor) Jane Boulton Al Cane Beverley Capewell Julie Farmer Mark Greenwood Andrew Marsden Steve Leniec Bethia Thomas Mike Wise |
| In attendance: | Sally Thurston, Town Clerk Rebekah Pugh, Deputy Town Clerk 6 members of the Public |
| 1/15/18 | Apologies for Absence C/Cllr Judith Heathcoat. D/Cllr Roger Cox. Thames Valley Police. Cllrs Angela Finn and Richard Marsh |
| 2/15/18 | Minutes of last meeting The minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 14 th November 2018 were signed as correct record. |
| 3/15/18 | Declarations of Interest & requests for dispensations None |
| 4/12/18 | Public Participation Time Following a bout of anti-social behaviour in the town, a group of residents came to the meeting to express their concern about lack of facility for young people to go and stay warm and dry. An action group was being set up to address this and they asked the Council for ideas regarding a venue and for advice and support. Members felt that it was a very positive step and thanked the group for coming to the meeting. The group were encouraged to formalise and apply for an FTC youth grant and, to contact Oxfordshire Youth, the Town Council could help to facilitate discussion. A Community and Partnerships Committee meeting would be called to discuss the issue in more detail. |
| 5/15/18 | Reports from Outside Bodies Members NOTED the following reports: a) Thames Valley Police. A concern was raised regarding squirrel culling using air rifles at Folly Woodland. It was AGREED the Clerk would report this issue to the Neighbourhood team. b) Faringdon and District Traffic Advisory Committee |
| 6/15/18 | County Councillor's Report Members NOTED a report from County Cllr. Judith Heathcoat |
| 7/15/18 | District Councillors' Report Members NOTED a report from District Cllr. Roger Cox |
| 8/15/18 | Chairman's Activity Report Members NOTED an activity report from Town Mayor, Cllr. David Barron |
| 9/15/18 | Reports from Committees Members NOTED minutes and reports of the following committee meetings, including decisions taken under delegated authority: a) Finance and Audit Committee: 21 st November 2018 b) Town Meeting: 26 th November 2018 c) Planning & Highways Committee: 28 th November 2018 |

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| 10/15/18 | <p>S106 Working Party It was PROPOSED that Cllrs. Boulton and Thomas be elected to sit on the S106 Working Party. This was SECONDED and RESOLVED</p> |
| 11/15/18 | <p>Clerk's Report & Schedule of Payments (Appendix 1) Cllr. Barron PROPOSED that the schedule of payments up to and including December 12th be APPROVED for payment. This was SECONDED by Cllr. Wise and RESOLVED.</p> |
| 12/15/18 | <p>Elections 2019</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Members NOTED the timetable for forthcoming elections in May 2019 b) Members considered an action plan to recruit candidates for Council. It was PROPOSED that the following actions be initiated as soon as possible. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Run recruitment events before full council then participants are welcomed to stay for the meeting. 3 sessions before 3 council meetings. Sessions are an hour long with a coffee before going into the council meeting 2. Saturday recruitment sessions and councillor outreach 3. Distribute professionally printed postcards and run a campaign asking residents to give a card to people they think would make good councillors. 4. Councillor outreach sessions at Tesco 5. Councillor outreach at Aldi and Waitrose 6. Advertise in Folly / What's on 7. Promotional piece in Newsletter – early Jan <p>This was SECONDED and RESOLVED</p> |
| 13/15/18 | <p>Speed Watch Members considered a request to cover speed watch volunteers under the Town Council public liability insurance. Advice from the insurance company was NOTED and it was AGREED that the Town Council were unable to insure the volunteers. It was PROPOSED that the Community Speed watch group be encouraged to apply for a grant to cover the cost of their own insurance. This was SECONDED and RESOLVED. It was suggested that the County Council may also provide grants to community speed watch groups. It was AGREED the Clerk would pass this information on to the group.</p> |
| 14/15/18 | <p>Items for Information Only Members received the following for information</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> 1. A briefing would be held on 31/1/19 at 7pm by the RAF regarding the relocation of the RC-135 aircraft. 2. Allotments – a response from VWHDC had been received regarding all queries about proposed allocation of allotments, under s106, at the Land South of Park Rd development. 3. An author talk had been facilitated via the Youth Grants programme for all Faringdon Year 6 classes. 4. The Mother and Baby and Dementia specialist cinemas were operating very successfully 5. The Information centre had excellent sales of charity cards last week. 6. The Christmas Lego trail is going very well in the Town Centre 7. The new sign at the top of Gloucester Street had disappeared – Clerk to investigate 8. Faringdon Unwrapped were looking for permanent premises within the town. |
| 15/15/18 | <p>Correspondence Members NOTED, for information only, correspondence from 15th November 2018 up to and including 12th December 2018. It was NOTED that the Faringdon Boundary had been moved, with effect from 1st November, to encompass the new developments on Coxwell Rd. Cllr. Farmer suggested that the thank you letters received were uploaded on the website. Cllr. Leniec thanked the Clerk for gaining compensation for a bank error by Lloyds and was encouraged to apply for further reimbursement for interest lost. It was NOTED that Abingdon had received economic development support from the Vale. Members queried if this support would be offered to Faringdon.</p> |

Appendix 1

| CLERK'S REPORT December 2018 | | |
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| Salaries December | | |
| Salaries by BACS | Salaries | £ 13,298.56 |
| HMRC by BACS | Tax and NI | £ 2,912.98 |
| OCC by Cheque | Pension Contributions | £ 4,392.87 |
| BACS Payments paid | | |
| Military Wives | Remembrance Event | £ 150.00 |
| Small Days Duo | Remembrance Dinner | £ 250.00 |
| Catering | Remembrance dinner | £ 1,120.00 |
| Jag Roofing | C/Ex repair | £ 1,080.00 |
| Artisan | Printing GRANT Women's Event | £ 80.00 |
| Bacs payments to pay | | |
| Spurgeons | Family Services | £ 2,763.08 |
| Microshade | Anti Virus | £ 43.20 |
| SLCC | Degree Deposit | £ 150.00 |
| SLCC | Membership | £ 326.00 |
| Travis Perkins | Maintenance Items | £ 12.05 |
| Faringdon Newspapers | Advert | £ 30.00 |
| ANLX | Website | £ 22.80 |
| CIS | Hosted IT | £ 193.80 |
| RBS LTD | Computer Accounts | £ 300.00 |
| Toy Planet | Lego Hunt | £ 360.00 |
| Jacksons | Lift service | £ 292.80 |
| Uffington Museum | Stock | £ 20.00 |
| Aston James | Stationery | £ 44.34 |
| Pauls Planters | Autumn refresh | £ 150.00 |
| T Wheeler | Clean Bus Shelters | £ 90.00 |
| Lease Plan | Van :Lease | £ 169.48 |
| Abbey Electrical | P/House remedial work | £ 781.26 |
| Filmbank Media | License | £ 169.75 |
| A Saunders | Agency | £ 58.94 |
| The lace | Outdoor Cinema | £ 117.83 |
| YOCO | Outdoor Cinema | £ 117.87 |
| MHP | Stock | £ 78.00 |
| AIS LTD | Copier Costs | £ 79.12 |
| Pyrotech | Fire Maintenance | £ 6.43 |
| Wantage Silver Band | Agency | £ 170.00 |
| V Sansford | Agency | £ 153.00 |
| PPL PRS | Music Licence | £ 1,458.87 |
| Direct Debits | | |
| Coop bank | Credit Card repay | £ 499.98 |
| VWHDC | Rates PH | £ 357.00 |

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| VWHDC | Rates C/Ex | £ 744.00 |
| PWLB | Loan repayment | £ 4,926.93 |
| Castle Water | C/EX | £ 117.97 |
| Castle water | Tuckers | £ 40.30 |
| Castle Water | PH | £ 36.33 |
| British Gas | C/Ex GAS | £ 1,090.88 |
| O2 | Mobiles | £ 48.76 |
| Fuel Card Services | Fuel Card | £ 72.47 |
| Barclay Card | Merchant Fee | £ 46.30 |
| Mainstream | Telephone and Broadband | £ 60.92 |
| Screw Fix | Maintenance Items | £ 53.84 |
| Total Town Council Invoices | | £ 39,538.71 |