



**Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held at 8pm on Thursday 2nd March 2023
Fairford Leys Centre, Hampden Square, Fairford Leys**

Present: Cllrs Cole (Chairman), Pattinson, Poland-Goodyer, Baughan, Wadlow, Walland,
Andrew, Blandford and Hritcan.
K Gray (Clerk to the Council)

3 Members of the Public

1. Apologies for Absence

To receive and accept apologies for absence notified to the Chairman or Clerk.
Cllr Baughan would be arriving late to the meeting.

2. Declarations of Interest

To receive any pecuniary or non-pecuniary declarations of interest
To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (if any)
To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate

- No declarations made and no dispensations requested.

3. Minutes of the Previous Full Council Meeting

To accept and sign the minutes of 2/2/23 as a true record.
RESOLVED: To receive, accept and sign the minutes of 2/2/23 as a true record.

4. Clerk's Report

To receive a report from the Clerk on matters dealt with and taking forward.

- Grass cutting season starts in a week.
- Newly planted trees vandalised.
- Update on the new bike racks to be installed by the co-op along with a bike shelter. Design and site approved by parish council.
- Increase in Parish Council insurance costs with some companies refusing to insure and some councils having to split their insurance costs with difference companies.
- The statutory timescale for councillor vacancy ends on 7/3/23 after which the parish council can advertise and co-opt to fill the vacancy.
- No other questions from councillors but Cllr Pattinson thanked the Clerk for arranging for a grit/salt bin to be installed on Viney Lane.

RESOLVED: Chairman to suspend Standing Orders to allow questions from the public & any reports/questions from Councillors.

Cllr Baughan entered the Council Chamber at this point – 8.20pm

5. Questions from the Public & Reports/Questions from Councillors

- Resident gave a presentation to the parish council for permission to install a mini-free library in Fairford Leys. Designs ideas were shown with confirmation that she, and others including the Manager of Brightstart Nursery would be totally responsible for the installation, security, maintenance and all other matters, of the library as well as regular site checks. The parish councillors asked various questions and the Clerk confirmed that the land area proposed, tarmac area surrounding the Brightstart Nursery building, was owned by Brightstart Nursery. There would be no cost to the parish council or any specific work or management for this scheme.
- Resident raised concerns about the proposed 5G telecom mast in Fairford Leys. They consider that the proposed site is not the correct place to put the mast as it fronts properties and there are more suitable places on Fairford Leys away from residential buildings. The parish council have already commented on the Buckinghamshire Council planning portal website stating that whilst they do not oppose new telecom masts they do consider the proposed site as being unsuitable for the mast and expressed a desire to engage with the company as well as planning department officers to discuss a different site on Fairford Leys.
- Cllr Blandford raised concerns over the amount of traffic parked on double yellow and no waiting lines in the village centre, with both sides of the road often having vehicles parked causing obstructions for other road users.
- Cllr Pattinson also asked if plans were in place by Buckinghamshire Council to re-paint the yellow lines as many were faded.
- Cllr Wadlow raised concerns about Arcott Way and explanation and discussion took place about the current consultation for new double yellow lines on this road as well as Keen Close. The parish council supported the proposal since many residents, over the years, have petitioned for double yellow lines to be installed on Arcott Way and Keen Close.
- Cllr Andrew reported that he had received a request via the Clerk, from John Simpson, Architect for Fairford Leys development for the use of pictures of Fairford Leys for their website. This was granted. He also reported another request.
- Cllr Poland-Goodyer updated the parish council on the consultation for double yellow lines as well as expressing that enforcement is still a concern.
- Cllr Cole updated the parish council on his recent attendance at the EKFB/Hs2 meeting with the Coldharbour PC and Aylesbury Town Council. The Hs2 Community Vehicle will be in Hampden Square in April 2023 as per last visit and welcome residents to visit them. They are also advertising a number of jobs and apprenticeships. Further road delays are planned as Hs2 work on the new road layout/system near Sedrup.

RESOLVED: Chairman to reconvene meeting under Standing Orders.

6. Decisions by the Resources & Personnel Committee and Leisure Committee Meetings

Council is asked to receive and approve the minutes & decisions of the above Standing Committees. Minutes of the committees have been copied to all councillors.

No committees have met, as yet, but a request was made for the Leisure Committee to meet to discuss the arrangements for the 3 annual parish council events for 2023.

RESOLVED: Cllr Pattinson, as Chairman of the Leisure Committee was asked to arrange a meeting to discuss possible Coronation event as well as the 3 main annual events.

7. Riverine Corridor Update

To receive an update and make such decisions, as necessary.

The Clerk continues to be involved in the process for the last remaining parcels of land for transfer to the parish council, from Buckinghamshire Council.

8. Photography Competition

Council to consider running a photography competition. To consider timings and prizes.

Cllr Andrew to provide details.

RESOLVED: That Cllr Andrew begin plans for a photography competition and bring back to the council ideas for the competition plus any funding request that may be required.

9. Community Library/Sharing of books

Council to consider the proposal from a resident that a book station/library installation be placed on Fairford Leys at a suitable place for people to leave and take books.

Council to consider the impact of such an installation, it's maintenance, insurance and any associated matters in relation to this proposal.

The parish councillors expressed their appreciation for this proposal and considered it to be a positive scheme for the community. Explanation of the parish council grant scheme was given so that KellyJo, should she want to do so, could apply for funding from the parish council for the installation, maintenance of the community library.

RESOLVED: To support the proposal from KellyJo Sparkes (organiser) for a community mini-free library to be installed on tarmac area in front of the nursery building/land owned by Brightstart Nursery. The organiser, with assistance and support from others, including the manager of Brightstart Nursery, to be responsible for the maintenance, management, insurance, liability and all other relevant responsibilities for this installation. The site to be regularly checked and maintained and the Clerk to the Parish Council to be informed of any problems as well as seeking any further permissions in relation to this scheme.

Explanations were given to the organiser on land management ownership and responsibilities held by the parish council for the main village square and surrounding land areas.

10. Playgrounds Refurbishment Working Group

To receive a report from the Playground Working Group on the discussions and proposals from the working group for the refurbishment of the playgrounds. Council to consider any requests from the working group.

To receive an update from Cllr Poland-Goodyer on the Community Board grant application and the project proposal for Webbs Meadow Playground which would include raised beds for community use, trees, benches and resurfacing works. The parish council has agreed match funding of £2,000 towards the project. Cllr Poland-Goodyer gave an update on the discussion with Aylesbury Community Board for funding request, with match-funding from the parish council. The clerk has provided information requested from the board and we now await costing proposals/quotes so we can progress the application.

11. Finances and Orders for Payment

RESOLVED: To agree and authorise the following orders and retrospective orders for payment:

• CH Morgan	Maintenance	£48.88	3629
• Spaldings Ltd	Maintenance	£263.36	3630
• Fairford Leys Centre	Contribution	£2,000.00	3631
• BHIB Ltd	Vehicle Insurance	£189.04	3632

• Vale Training Services	Certification	£161.00	3633
• KM Commercials	Maintenance	£43.20	3634
• Aylesbury Town Council	Re-charge/tractor	£1,320.00	3635
• S Webb	Reimbursement	£50.00	3636
• KM Commercials	Maintenance	£168.00	3637

RESOLVED: To receive, note and agree/accept the Councils Financial statements, income and expenditure report/Bank-Cash and Investments Reconciliation as at 31st January 2023. Emailed to all councillors.

12. Planning Applications

To receive, comment and to either object, support or oppose the following planning Applications.

To consider late applications presented by the Clerk.

To consider Ernest Cook Trust Permission on all planning applications.

To note and formally agree decision/comments made under delegated authority.

- No applications to consider

ERNEST COOK TRUST COVENANTS

Permission is sought from the following residents regarding their properties:

- No applications to consider.

There being no further business of the Council, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.14pm.

Signed: _____ Date: _____