



**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 6th April 2023
Fairford Leys Centre, Hampden Square, Fairford Leys**

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

1 Resident in attendance (applicant for co-option)

The Chairman opened the meeting at 8.22pm

1. Apologies for Absence

To receive and accept apologies for absence notified to the Chairman or Clerk

RESOLVED: To receive and accept apologies from Cllrs Blandford (illness) and Hritcan (prior commitment).

2. Declarations of Interest

To receive any pecuniary or non-pecuniary declarations of interest

To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate.

- Cllr Baughan declared an interest in agenda item 6 as she personally knows one of the applicants.
- No dispensations requested.

3. Minutes of the Previous Full Council Meeting

To accept and sign the minutes of 2/3/23 as a true record.

RESOLVED: To receive, accept and sign the minutes of 2nd March 2023 as a true record.

4. Clerk's Report

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

- Clerk gave an overview of the recent RoSPA report and advised that a working group be established to consider the removal of some of the smaller parks and equipment as there was sufficient justification to do this based on the recent reports. Previous consultations have taken place with a proposed plan for each park but council also needs to consider where it is financially justifiable to repair and maintain some of the current parks if they are to be refurbished later. Insurance and maintenance costs have significantly increased. Councillors agreed that a working group should be established and the Clerk will copy those involved into the detailed RoSPA work list showing what needed to be done, as well as considering the removal and changes to some of the parks.

RESOLVED: *Chairman to suspend Standing Orders to allow questions from the public & any reports*

5. Questions from the Public & Reports

- Mr Harvey (co-option candidate expressed his support for the parish council and shared his reasons for wishing to join the parish council.
- Cllr Wadlow raised concerns about a fence on ECT/Hs2 land off Andrews Way. Cllrs Poland-Goodyer and Cole will raise the matter with EKFB Officers at their next meeting.
- Cllr Pattinson raised matters in relation to general maintenance and it was advised these needed to be reported to Bucks Council via the Fix-my-street system.
- Cllr James reported on some local school works and mentioned the Active Travel Plans for schools.
- Cllr Poland-Goodyer (BC) gave an update on Hs2 works as well as road work repairs. He also touched on the recent proposed phone mast on Fairford Leys being refused planning permission.
- Cllr Baughan reminded everyone that there would be a garden party in the community centre garden on Sunday 7th May to celebrate Kings Charles' Coronation. Cllr Cole is arranging music and there will be some refreshment for people to purchase but the idea is that everyone brings their own food and drink.

RESOLVED: Chairman to reconvene meeting under Standing Orders.

Cllr Baughan left the Council Chamber at this point

6. Co-option of Councillor

Council to consider the co-option of Councillor to fill the Casual Vacancy. Following applications received and copied to councillors:

Mr Nik Wylde Mr Carl Harvey

After considering the applications from Mr Harvey and Mr Wylde it was unanimously agreed that Mr Harvey should be co-opted onto the parish council until the next elections.
RESOLVED: Unanimously, that Mr Carl Harvey be co-opted onto the parish council.

Cllr Baughan returned to the Council Chamber at this point

7. 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 been called but there is a need for a Resources and Personnel Committee and the Chairman will issue some dates for consideration.

8. Riverine Corridor Update

To receive an update and make such decisions, as necessary. The Clerk is yet to receive the last parcel of land transfers.

9. Photography Competition

Council to consider running a photography competition. To consider further ideas for the competition as well as any funding requirements. Cllr Andrew to lead discussion.
RESOLVED: To proceed as proposed by Cllr Andrew and he will issue relevant information in due course.

10. Aylesbury Garden Town

Council to discuss the current management of the Aylesbury Garden Town, the involvement of the Parish Council and what decisions/actions, if any, to take. Cllr Poland-Goodyer gave an update on the recent proposed changes and decisions made by officers from the Garden Town project. The parish council was disappointed and concerned

to note that their decisions as a parish council, along with neighbouring parish councils, were not being taken seriously by the Garden Town Board and Bucks Council officers.
RESOLVED: The Parish Council will wait to hear what is proposed and decided in terms of representation and then they will discuss what action, if any, is required.

11. Allotment & Garden Competition

Cllr Blandford to propose that the Allotment Competition not proceed this year and that the council consider a Fairford Leys Garden Competition.

To discuss what arrangements would need to be put in place for a garden competition.

After much discussion it was RESOLVED: That the Allotment Competition should not go ahead this year and not to proceed with the proposal for the Best Garden Competition.

12. Chairman's Charity

Council to consider a chosen charity for the year. This would be the charity allowed to collect at our events and focussed on in Coldharbour News. Consider engagement with local businesses to have collection pots or running a charity event to raise awareness. Could also host a quiz night to raise funds

This would need someone to take the lead on this and make sure the key objectives were met.

RESOLVED: That this proposal be considered and further discussion take place on this proposal.

13. Finances and Orders for Payment

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

• BHIB Limited	Insurance (Vehicles)	£2,918.53	3638
• KM Commercials	Maintenance	£168.00	3639
• S Webb	Reimbursement (equipment)	£465.00	3640
• Fairford Leys Centre	Cross charge / Utilities	£501.42	3641
• Aylesbury Town Council	Re-charge training costs	£135.80	3642
• AVS Fencing Supplies	Maintenance	£24.30	3643
• Briants of Risborough	Maintenance	£97.77	3644
• Helpful Hirings	Maintenance	£144.74	3645
• BHIB Limited / Aviva	Council Insurance	£10,440.13	3646
• PA Turney Ltd	Maintenance	£415.43	3647
• Fairford Leys Centre	Reimbursement / Website	£216.00	3648
• Spaldings	Maintenance	£234.00	3649
• Fairford Leys Centre	Precept Grant – 1 st Payment	£17,500.00	3650
• Buckinghamshire Council	Pension underpayment due	£8,027.76	3651
• Playsafety Ltd	RoSPA inspections	£810.00	3652

RESOLVED: To receive, note and agree/accept the Councils Financial statements, income and expenditure report, Cash and Investment and Bank Reconciliation as at 28th February 2023. Emailed to all councillors.

14. 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 received.

ERNEST COOK TRUST COVENANTS

Permission is sought from the following residents regarding their properties:

- No applications received

There being no further business of the Council, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.45pm

Signed: _____ Date: _____
Chairman of the Council