



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

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

No Members of the Public

In the absence of the Chairman, Cllr Pattinson was asked to take the chair.

1. Apologies for Absence

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

RESOLVED: To receive and accept apologies for absence from Cllrs Cole (prior commitment) and Andrew (illness).

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 1/12/22 as a true record.

RESOLVED: To receive, accept and sign the minutes of 1/12/22 as true record.

4. Clerk's Report

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

- Cllr Rio Harper has resigned, with immediate effect. The Clerk will declare that there is a vacancy on the Parish Council.
- The clerk reminded councillors of the Great British Spring Clean on 17th March to 2nd April, should they wish to participate and arrange a community litter pick.
- Trees have been planted, as previously agreed by council.
- The centre clock is being installed soon, after its repair.
- General riverine maintenance continues with the removal of blockages.

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

5. Questions from the Public & Reports

- Cllr Poland-Goodyer (Buckinghamshire Council) reported on e-bike trials as well as a worrying £14million deficit in Bucks Council finances.
- Cllr Wadlow asked for a number of clarifications on the management of the parish council's events throughout the year. Various questions were answered.

- Cllr Hritcan asked what could be done to stop HGV lorries parking on residential streets. There are no powers held by the Parish Council to remove vehicles that are taxed and MOT'd. Only the police can remove vehicles causing obstructions. Discussion took place on what other measures could be put in place to deal with this problem.
- Cllr Pattinson asked if its was possible for a grit/salt bin to be placed on Viney Lane.

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 meetings have taken place.

7. Riverine Corridor Update

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

RESOLVED: To note that the relevant payment for the recent riverine land transfer has been made to the parish council. Further land transfers will take place until the whole area has been transferred to the parish council.

8. Pre-Consultation – Proposed Radio Base Station AYV26543

Council to consider the pre-consultation request for a base station to be installed on land near the roundabout off Andrews Way.

RESOLVED: To object to this proposal due to the mast being too close to residential property and a better area could be found in the parish that does not negatively impact on residents' homes. The parish council were keen to see additional support for 5G networks but the installation site must be chosen correctly.

9. Fairford Leys Community Centre

Council to consider the implications of the increased utility costs for the centre and discuss what action should be taken.

RESOLVED: A payment of £2,000 be made to the Fairford Leys Centre for a contribution towards the utility costs of the centre. The payment to come from the Riverine Land Maintenance earmarked reserves as the centre utilities are used by the council's maintenance team.

10. Photography Competition

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

RESOLVED: That this item be moved to the March meeting of the parish council.

11. 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.

Cllr Poland-Goodyer presented a proposal for the refurbishment of the Webbs Meadow Playground which would include raised beds for community use, trees, benches and resurfacing works. A design drawing was copied to all parish councillors. An application will be made to the Aylesbury Community Board for part funding of this project.

RESOLVED: Unanimously, to agree to the proposed project to refurbish the playground and to authorise £2,000 funding from the parish council's reserves with an additional £2,000

application requested from the Aylesbury Community Board. Cllr Poland-Goodyer to send the application to the community board.

12. Finances and Orders for Payment

RESOLVED: That the following orders and retrospective orders for payment be agreed:

• All Sparks Electrics Ltd	Maintenance	£550.00	3611
• Ernest Cook Trust	Land Rent	£1,234.00	3612
• S Webb	Reimbursement	£39.00	3613
• Fairford Leys Centre	Cross Charge	£1,348.76	3614
• Aylesbury Concert Band	Xmas in Square	£150.00	3615
• CH Morgan	Maintenance	£701.88	3616
• Briants of Risborough	Maintenance	£149.83	3617
• Spaldings	Maintenance	£263.36	3618
• PA Turney Ltd	Maintenance	£188.68	3619
• AVS Fencing	Maintenance	£177.56	3620
• Briants of Risborough	Maintenance	£148.50	3621
• Vale Training Services	Flail hedge Training	£610.00	3622
• Helpful Hirings Ltd	Maintenance	£817.92	3623
• Fairford Leys Centre	S106 support	£2,000.00	3624
• All Sparks Electrics Ltd	Maintenance	£110.00	3625
• Rialtas Bus Solutions	Accounts Support	£257.96	3626
• Briants of Risborough	Maintenance	£289.99	3627
• Vale Training Services	Training/maintenance	£170.00	3628

RESOLVED: To receive, note and agree/accept the Council's financial bank statements, income and expenditure report. Emailed to all councillors.

13. 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.

- **23/00074/APP** **1 Pakenham Close, FL**
Householder application for conversion of garage/store room to habitable space

7 Objections and 1 Abstention.

RESOLVED: The Parish Council OBJECTS to this application on the grounds that the proposal to remove the garage door goes against the Ernest Cook Trust Covenant and the Fairford Leys Development Guidelines, which the previous AVDC Development Control agreed and supported in line with the Master Plan of Fairford Leys. The proposal to remove the garage door would negatively affect the overall design of the building and also the street scene. The Parish Council will refuse to grant permission under the Ernest Cook

Trust Covenant if the garage door is removed and a window installed. If the garage door is to remain, then we will grant permission and have no objections to the conversion. Many residents adhere to the covenant and we expect the planning department to continue to support the Fairford Leys Development Guidelines. The Fairford Leys development is considered an exemplary build and must be protected. Whilst the Parish Council has no problem with the conversion of garages, we are aware of the additional covenant on garages managed by Buckinghamshire Council to ensure that parking provision is not removed.

ERNEST COOK TRUST COVENANTS

Permission is sought from the following residents regarding their properties:

1 Pakenham Close, FL

Householder application for conversion of garage/store room to habitable space.

7 votes to Refuse Permission with 1 Abstention.

RESOLVED: Permission Refused unless the garage door remains.

RESOLVED: The Clerk is authorised to reverse this decision if the owners change the planning application to show that the garage door will remain in place.

There being no further business of the council, the Vice-Chairman of the Council closed the meeting at 8.58pm.

Signed: _____ Date: _____