



**Minutes of the Parish Council held at 8pm on Thursday 4th November 2021
The Fairford Leys Centre, Hampden Square, Fairford Leys**

Present: Cllrs Cole (Chairman) Pattinson, Poland-Goodyer, Baughan, Wadlow, Blandford, Harper, James, Walland and Andrew.

K Gray (Clerk to the Council)

2 Residents

1. Apologies for Absence

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

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

- Cllrs Blandford and Wadlow declared an interest in agenda item 10.
- No dispensations requested.

3. Minutes of the Previous Full Council Meeting

RESOLVED: To accept and sign the minutes of 4/11/21 as a true record.

4. Clerk's Report

To receive a report from the Clerk on matters dealt with and taking forward.
The Clerk reported on various works being carried out on the riverine corridor and across the parish. He specifically mentioned the following

- All cherry trees along Pitcher Walk, Rickman Walk, Astronomy Way and Jeffrey Walk need to be removed as some are dead and other are not surviving. We believe this is due to incorrect planting by the developer at the time. Investigation into different type of trees to be replanted and the council to consider replacing or leaving.
- Riverine Corridor land areas are being opened up, as they were originally, due to the parish council now taking over phase 2 of the land. The overall plan in place is to open up specific areas and pollard and crown trees, remove excess branches over and near wooden bridges to allow less water on the bridges. Winter bedding plants are to be planted in the baskets and the Christmas tree to be collected from the Ernest Cook Trust estate in Fairford. Christmas lighting will be installed in the square possibly near the end of November. Bin has been installed near the gym bench. Remembrance Sunday Service procedures were explained to councillors and there is a public service and wreath laying in the main square at 10.50am.

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

5. Questions from the Public & Reports

- No questions from the public
- Cllr Wadlow said he would arrange for the ECT Covenant Working Group to meet. He also spoke on the merits of a grant for the Monday Club.
- Cllr Poland-Goodyer (Bucks Council Member) gave the following report:
 - Benjamin UK** – A meeting has been arranged between myself, CPC Chairman and CPC Clerk for early December to follow up on resident concerns about this property.
 - Yellow Lines** – We are still awaiting a date for when yellow lines will be put in place along Arncott Way.
 - Keen Close** – I am disappointed that for some reason Keen Close has been moved from the priority list by the Chairman of the Aylesbury Community Board (without consulting local members) and has asked us to try other methods first. I think we all know that we, as a community, have tried everything.
 - Streetlights** – The Adept project should have restarted. I am not 100% convinced it has and will be following up. It appears the streetlights on Brimmers Way were operational when I checked last week.
 - Play Park (outside gym) conversion** – I need to amend some items of the proposal and we have asked both providers to provide extra equipment. This is still very much a work in progress.
 - Fallen Tree** – There is a fallen tree behind Rowlands way. Chasing up the removal, Bucks Council are claiming the path is owned by Taylor Wimpey so will not remove the tree. Taylor Wimpey have not responded to an email yet.
 - Drains** – A significant amount of silt has been removed from drains around Fairford Leys by Bucks Council. Hs2 think it may have contributed to local flooding issues. We are awaiting an exact amount of tonnage so we know how much has been removed.
 - General** - We have been dealing with resident issues on a local/county level on a variety of issues from busses to trees
- Cllr James (Bucks Council Member) gave the following report:
 - Playing out scheme trial** - Took place in Napier Road and was successful pilot. Approx. 25 residents attended and a good time and positive feedback had by all children were able to skip, chalk & ride bikes along the road and pavements and neighbours were able to socialise and communicate with neighbours. A wide range of ages participated. Looking forward to formal acceptance and supporting residents in having their own play streets in 2022.
 - Zipp Injury** - SJ supporting resident in a claim as she was hit by someone on a ZIPP.
 - Grant funding** - Obtained £420 for tripod, projector & screen – SJ & AC to liaise and purchase to ensure receipts are obtained as evidence for the community board
 - EV Proposal** - SJ working on a proposal for funding/trial to put in several EV charging points. SJ to keep you updated & with liaise with clerk to ensure these are in the right place and right permissions obtained etc.
 - Xmas in the Square** - SJ has sold 10 tables for the xmas fair at £10 each non- refundable – all different crafts etc.
 - Play Parks** - Update in Feb meeting with proposal

- Cllr Baughan reported that arrangements are in place for the Santa Clause/Christmas event.
- Cllr Harper reported on concerns raised by residents living near the school. One visitor to a local resident has recently experienced verbal abuse from a parent in relation to parking and vehicle access at school drop-off and collection times. The roads are often gridlocked and discussion took place about a possible one-way system. Cllr Poland-Goodyer will raise the matter with Bucks Council to see if anything can be done to resolve this historical problem with parking at the school. The Parish Council attempted to resolve this matter on a number of occasions since the school was built and has reported these problems to both the police, school governors and local education department many times over the years.
- Cllr Blandford spoke on the merits of awarding a grant to the Monday Club. He also raised concerns about the road sweeper continually being parked, also too near the roundabout, on Arncott Way. The parish council have been informed by their local Bucks Councillors that Double Yellow Lines are planned to be installed in this area. Councillors asked if the lines would be painted on both sides of the road, otherwise the problem will continue. He also asked when the dog bin would be installed, agreed by Council, near the flats on Paddock Close which links over to Chelsea Road / Hampstead Close. The clerk will progress the installation of the dog bin.
- Cllr Pattinson reminded cllrs on the importance of delivering the Coldharbour News and that delivery must take place within 5 days from receiving the newsletter at the community centre. The next edition is due out on 20/11/21.
- Cllr Cole reported that he would be attending the Town Mayor of Aylesbury Christmas Carol Service and would also be attending the Town Council's Remembrance Service on 11th November.

RESOLVED: Chairman to reconvene meeting

6. Co-option of Councillor

To receive and consider an application from Mr Tom Andrew to be co-opted onto the Parish Council.

Proposed by Cllr Cole and Seconded by Cllr James that Mr Tom Andrew be co-opted as a Parish Councillor onto Coldharbour Parish Council.

RESOLVED: Unanimously, to co-opt Mr Tom Andrew as a Parish Councillor.

Mr Andrew signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office before the Clerk to the Council and took his seat.

7. Councillors Training & Policy/Procedures/ Refresher Training

Councillors to consider a suitable date for training for new councillors and refresher training for existing councillors. An informal occasion to ask questions on council procedures, Law and all things related to the civic administration of Fairford Leys.

RESOLVED: The Clerk to arrange for a Saturday in February to have the above training.

8. 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.

- Council to note that a meeting of the Resources & Personnel Committee will meet on 16/11/21 to discuss the precept and budget for 2022.

9. Riverine Corridor Transfer Update

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

RESOLVED: Councillors noted the following update:

The transfer of Phase 3 to CPC was completed last week, Bucks Council are in the process of sorting the funding for the maintenance payment to the Parish Council for this land.

Phase 2 was transferred from Taylor Wimpey to AVDC at the same time as Phase 3 (November 2019) yet the Land Registry still have not registered that change meaning the onward transfer (which Bucks Council planned to do at the same time as Phase 3) has been delayed. Bucks Council legal team are doing what they can to get this resolved. The various legal matters associated with the initial transfer of the remaining Phases 4 to 7 are being worked through by Bucks Council legal team, Taylor Wimpey and the Ernest Cook Trust.

10. Aylesbury Lions Club

Council to consider the request from the Aylesbury Lions Club to plant trees on land owned by the parish council and to consider litter picking activities as well as seeking volunteers. Letter copied to all councillors.

RESOLVED: The Clerk to deal with, and make relevant decisions, on any requests and manage accordingly.

Cllrs Blandford and Wadlow left the Council Chamber at this point

11. Grant Application – Fairford Leys Monday Club

Council to consider a grant application for £500 from the Monday Club. The club meets at the Fairford Leys Centre and the grant is for a Christmas Party on 20th December, for the members and volunteers. There are 25 members and 12 volunteers at the club.

RESOLVED: Proposed by Cllr Cole and Seconded by Cllr Pattinson and Unanimously agreed, that a grant of £500 be made to the Monday Club for the reasons requested.

Cllrs Blandford and Wadlow returned to the Council Chamber at this point

12. Finances and Orders for Payment

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

• Buckinghamshire Council	Election Costs	£536.72	3410
• Horwood & James	Land Transfer Costs	£927.20	3411
• Swarco	MVAS Contract	£152.03	3412
• AVS Fencing Supplies	Maintenance	£171.98	3413
• Vale Tyre Service Ltd	Maintenance	£66.00	3414
• Fairford Leys Centre	Cross Charge Pay't	£1,679.88	3415
• Cllr A Cole	Allowance	£360.00	3416
• Cllr A Poland-Goodyer	Allowance	£240.00	3417
• Cllr S James	Allowance	£180.00	3418
• Cllr S Pattinson	Allowance	£270.00	3419

RESOLVED: To receive, note and agree/accept the Councils Financial statements, income and expenditure report. Emailed to all councillors.

13. 2022 Precept and Budget

Council to consider the setting of the precept and budget for 2022 so that Bucks Council can receive the agreed figure.

30th November 2021 - Valuation list to produce tax base
6th December 2021 - Tax Base sent to preceptors
31st January 2022 - Deadline for precept
February 2022 - Council Tax set
March 2022 - Bills sent to residents

RESOLVED: The Resources & Personnel Committee are to meet on 16/11/21 to discuss the precept and budget setting for 2022 financial year.

14. Playgrounds Refurbishment Working Group

To receive a report from Cllr James on the membership of the working group and any proposed plans for the refurbishment of the playgrounds. Council to consider any requests from the working group.

Cllr James and Cllr Pattinson met (Cllrs Poland-Goodyer and Baughan were unable to attend the working group meeting) to discuss the refurbishment. Further meetings are to take place and a report is to be made to the parish council in due course.

RESOLVED: To wait for the report from the working group so that discussions can continue for planning a specific refurbishment of the main playground and all other playgrounds to be considered. Report expected for the February 2022 meeting of the Council.

15. Gardenway & Aylesbury Garden Town

To discuss any matters relating to the above project/scheme
Nothing to report.

16. Outside Gym - North Aylesbury Fitness Trail

Councillor Poland-Goodyer to update the parish council on matters relating to this project, and council to consider any further proposals/requests.

- To agree the quotes, equipment and design for the project. Information copied to all councillors.
- To consider a full maintenance plan and also insurance cover.

Further information and discussion is to take place on the finalised quote and documentation on the specific equipment for the gym. This information will be shared with the parish council in due course for formal decision.

Council was asked to formally approved Brimmers Way Playground as being the site of the new gym.

RESOLVED: That Brimmers Way be the new site for the gym.

17. 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.

- **21/04017/APP** **6 Disraeli Square**
Householder application for conversion of garage to form bedroom and disabled wet room (part retrospective).
RESOLVED: No Objections

ERNEST COOK TRUST COVENANTS

Permission is sought from the following residents regarding their properties:

- **6 Disraeli Square**
Householder application for conversion of garage to form bedroom and disabled wet room (part retrospective).
RESOLVED: ECT Covenant Permission GRANTED

There being no further business of the Council, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.15pm

Signed: _____ Date: _____