



**Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held at 8pm on Thursday 6th October 2022
Fairford Leys Centre, Hampden Square, Fairford Leys**

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

No members of the public present

In the absence of the Chairman, Cllr Pattinson (Vice-Chairman) took the chair and opened the meeting, welcoming newly co-opted Parish Councillor Adrian Hritcan.

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), Harper (illness) 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

RESOLVED: To accept and sign the minutes of 1/9/22 as a true record.

4. Clerk's Report

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

The clerk informed the council that trees had been purchased, as per council decision, to replace cherry trees on Rickman Walk, Pitcher Walk, Jeffrey Walk, Butler Walk and Cursley Path.

He gave an update on the proposed costs of the clock repair and the maintenance team will remove the clock fixings and, if required, send for repair as per the quotation.

RESOLVED:

Chairman to suspend Standing Orders to allow questions from the public and any reports

5. Questions from the Public & Reports

- **Report from Cllr Poland Cllr James (Buckinghamshire Council)**

It has been a busy month with lots of individual casework being dealt with, primarily focused on the cost of living and school placement issues. Obviously, these cannot be commented upon here.

St Marys – there has been correspondence about Salt/Grit bins. Cllr Poland-Goodyer is trying to resolve this situation and find a solution

Brimmers Way – We have managed to get the failed footpath repaired next week. I am not 100% Confident this will be a permanent solution to the issue on this footpath but only time can tell.

Spine Path – This was raised about the failures at our last LAT meeting and how (as a designated cycle route in parts) the surface is incredibly dangerous to bicycle tyres and a potential serious hazard.

Great Meadow Way – We managed to get the potholes repaired on the corner by the bridge. Hopefully as it was not just filling a hole and more of a plane and patch repair it will last longer

Unadopted Land – In a recent LAT meeting Cllr Poland-Goodyer and Cllr Lambert uncovered a whole barrage of unadopted land within fairford Leys, including roads (we knew about) and MANY mews and parking areas not shown on Bucks Council maps. We are chasing this up whilst they are still in good condition

Aylesbury Garden Town – we believe it is important that CPC have a representative on this board with the proposed development by the Willows (18/04346/APP). AGT are promoting is as a garden town project but there are knock on effects to this parish.

TFB have been instructed to relocate and return Neighbourhood watch signage
Section 17 plans by HS2 are available online now at the Bucks Planning portal

In the July Full Council meeting there was disappointing news about the attitude of Bucks council leadership and an almost denial of climate change. We would like to consider proposing that this council declare an ‘environmental emergency’ like other parishes have done in Buckinghamshire. We will do research and could invite a speaker with experience in this process if the council requests.

Cllr James is chair of the Aylesbury Community Board Environment sub-group and working alongside Cllr Poland-Goodyer are working on a project to promote active travel within Bucks. There are opportunities for Fairford Leys to become an exemplar and return to the original ethos of a healthy village and a modern, forward-looking parish building upon the existing networks already in place.
<http://news.bbc.co.uk/1/hi/health/7117127.stm>

Cllr James reported on the arrangements in place to assist those who need assistance. Helping Hand: <https://www.buckinghamshire.gov.uk/cost-of-living/>
She also reported that a local group were wishing to establish themselves as “Strictly Come Weeding” and tackle weeds specifically in Mews areas of Fairford Leys. The Clerk was asked for advice on this request. Informed was shared on how the group could work and what they needed to consider in terms of land ownership and insurance cover. She also reported that a number of vehicles were being parked on Cavendish Way which did not belong to any Fairford Leys residents, but were from other nearby housing estates which had a lack of parking facilities.

- Cllr Baughan reported on the Christmas support work she is involved in and councillors wished to assist where able to do so. The Clerk was asked to put an agenda item on the November meeting to request a grant from parish council funds to purchase Christmas presents for those in need from the ages of 2yrs to teenagers.

- Cllr Blandford raised concerns about the spate in car thefts as well as the recent assault on a resident walking to work and people reporting the same culprits trying car doors across Fairford Leys on many occasions. The matter has been reported to the police by parish councillors as well as residents.
- Cllr Pattinson thanked Cllr Blandford for arranging the Allotment Competition and Cllr Andrew for assisting her in the design and editing of the newsletter. She mentioned the Christmas in the Square arrangements and the Clerk confirmed that arrangements were in place, clarifying with councillors what actions had already been taken.

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.

RESOLVED: A Resources and Personnel Committee has been arranged for 25th October at 7.30pm to discuss the Precept/Budget for 2023.

7. Riverine Corridor Update

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

The Clerk continues to progress chase the final stages of the land transfer.

8. 2021/22 AGAR Section 3 External Auditor Report

To receive, accept and approve the signed-of external auditor report from PKF Littlejohn and agree payment of fee at £960.00.

RESOLVED: To receive, note and agree the content and comments made by the external auditors on the completed AGAR from PKF Littlejohn.

9. Finances and Orders for Payment

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

• Chiltern Brewery	Music in Square	£191.31	3561
• Certas Energy	Fuel	£1,854.00	3562
• Iprint MK Ltd	Music in Square	£435.00	3563
• Moonlite Productions Ltd	Music in Square	£1,200.00	3564
• AVS Fencing	Maintenance	£111.55	3565
• CH Morgan	Maintenance	£156.26	3566
• Helpful Hirings	Maintenance	£2,772.00	3567
• AJS Trailer Servicing Ltd	Maintenance	£327.28	3568
• AJS Trailer Servicing Ltd	Maintenance	£138.00	3569
• Spaldings Ltd	Maintenance	£401.46	3571
• XYZ Music Academy Ltd	Music in Square	£120.00	3572
• BHIB Insurance	New Mower	£29.87	3573
• PKF Littlejohn LLP	External Audit Fee	£960.00	3574
• Nicholson Nurseries	Trees & Equipment	£7,187.42	3575
• Luke Powell	Website Costs	£59.98	3576
• AVS Fencing	Maintenance	£151.28	3576

RESOLVED: To receive, note and agree/accept the Councils Financial statements, income and expenditure report as at 31st August 2022. Emailed to all councillors.

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.

- No updates or reports.

11. 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 requests for permission received

There being no further business of the Council, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.10pm

Signed: _____ Date: _____