



**Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held at 8pm on 1st September 2022
The Fairford Leys Centre, Hampden Square, Fairford Leys**

Present: Cllrs Cole (Chairman), James, Andrew, Poland-Goodyer, Walland, Blandford and Harper
K Gray (Clerk to the Council)

3 Residents

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 Baughan (family commitment), Wadlow (illness) and Pattinson (prior commitment).

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

Cllr Blandford declared an interest in ECT covenant permission request for 8 Firecrest Way.

3. Minutes of the Previous Full Council Meeting

RESOLVED: To accept and sign the minutes of 7/7/22 as a true record.

4. Clerk's Report

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

- Graffiti problem across the parish – reported to police.
- Tree report given.
Parmiter Way: 3 missing due to vandalism, 1 dead due to weather.
Monks Path: 2 damaged by strimmers are recovering well, 1 died due to weather.
Brimmers Way: 1 lost due to weather.
Hampstead Close: 2 suffering due to drought, 2 damaged at base
Extra water has been applied during the hot weather but the ground not retaining it.
Agreement has been made to purchase water bags for the replacement trees.
Agreement was made that Cllr Blandford would assist in the discussion on where to plant the replacement trees. Grounds maintenance staff to contact him when the work is due to begin.
7 trees need replacing and to be added to the current list for replacement trees which will be planted at the correct time of year.
- Increase in household rubbish being deposited in the Hampden Square litter bins.
- Request for Hampden Square lamp posts to be painted – these will be added to the work schedule.
- Concerns over advertising on the highway as well as additional street furniture in public areas managed by the parish council. Some complaints received from the public were noted by the parish council. Accessibility concern issues noted.

Further discussions to take place on this matter.

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

5. Questions from the Public & Reports

- Residents raised the concerns of significant amount of vehicles parked along Arcott Way and the recent information from the parish council that Bucks Council have removed the funding for double yellow lines. The parish council supported any resident petitions being organised.
- Cllr Andrew reported that the parish council Instagram account had been set up. He was thanked for the continued work he does on the parish council's social media pages.
- Cllr Harper reported that the contractors replacing the lamp posts had removed the Neighbourhood Action Group signage. A request would be made for them to replace the signs and the Clerk was asked to put this on the October agenda for the parish council to consider paying for replacement signage.
- Cllr Poland-Goodyer reported on some general casework he was assisting with. The outside gym opening went well and arrangements are in place for the Music in the Square event. It was noted that some youths are causing problems in the main park by climbing onto the basketball nets. He spoke on the concerns raised at Bucks Council about environmental matters and the time frame adopted by Bucks Council not being adequate to tackle the problem.

Cllr Harper left the chamber at 8.37pm

- Cllr Cole gave an update on the arrangements for the Music in the Square Event – bands, staging and everything in place for a successful event. He gave a report on his discussions with the River Thame Conservation Group who visited Fairford Leys to look at the riverine corridor. The water is in good condition and wildlife is flourishing. Further ideas for the maintenance of the watercourse was discussed and a future meeting may take place.

Cllr Harper returned to the chamber at 8.41pm

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.

- Noted: No meetings have taken place.

7. Riverine Corridor Update

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

The Clerk has progressed the matter of land transfer with the solicitors and hopefully the final phases of transfers will take place soon.

8. Finances and Orders for Payment

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

• Fairford Leys Centre	Fair in Square expense	£137.50	3539
• The Chiltern Brewery	Fair in Square expense	£91.85	3540
• Briants of Risborough	Maintenance	£27.71	3542
• Spaldings Ltd	Maintenance	£108.00	3543
• One Stop Stores (FL) Ltd	Fair in Square expense	£1,092.40	3544
• Fairford Leys Centre	FL Precept Grant	£17,500.00	3545
• SWARCO Traffic Ltd	MVAS Maintenance	£203.94	3546
• Proludic Ltd	Outside Gym	£31,799.90	3547
• PPL PRS Ltd	Annual Music Licenses	£308.59	3548
• Events with a Difference	Fairground Rides (FitS)	£8,634.00	3549
• PA Turney Ltd	Maintenance	£65.09	3550
• Lawstone Ltd	Maintenance	£8.23	3551
• AJ Collier	Wasp Nest removals	£180.00	3552
• Rebecca Langstone	Music in the Square	£350.00	3553
• P Coombs	Music in the Square	£250.00	3554
• C McAndrew	Music in the Square	£250.00	3555
• Costco	Annual Subscription	£60.00	3556
• Lawsons (AVS Fencing)	Maintenance	£18.30	3557
• Ashley Webber	Music in the Square	£300.00	3558
• C Morgan	Maintenance	£84.59	3559
• P A Turney Ltd	Maintenance	£83.08	3560

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

9. Co-option of Parish Councillor

To consider the application from Mr A Hritcan for the position of Parish Councillor.

RESOLVED: Unanimously, that Mr A Hritcan be co-opted as a Parish Councillor.

10. Smoke Free Parks Scheme

Council to consider all parks on Fairford Leys become “Smoke Free” parks. Information copied to all councillors from Emily Davies (Public Health Practitioner, Adults and Health Directorate, Bucks Council). To agree proposed signage and scheme engagement and agreement. The Clerk to liaise and engage accordingly if council supports the proposal.

RESOLVED: That all play parks in the Parish of Coldharbour become smoke-free parks and for the relevant signage to be installed as advised.

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.

No updates. Further discussions to take place.

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 planning applications received

Cllr Blandford Left the chamber at this point

ERNEST COOK TRUST COVENANTS

Permission is sought from the following residents regarding their properties:

- **8 Firecrest Way, FL**
Proposed rear single extension and loft extension with velux windows
Plans copied to all councillors
RESOLVED: Permission Granted.

Cllr Blandford returned to the chamber at this point

EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS & PUBLIC

Under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (Section 2), the press and members of the public are asked to leave the meeting for the next item on the agenda on the grounds that it involves disclosure of exempt information.

RESOLVED: To exclude the public and press as per the above request.

13. Insurance/Legal Matter Update for Council

The Clerk to inform the council of a legal matter and provide advice for a required decision. Information copied to councillors only.

The Clerk explained the situation, request from a resident as well as the correspondence that entailed. Details were shared on land ownership and responsibility.

RESOLVED: The Council cannot accept any responsibility for the specific incident that has taken place. The Clerk was supported by the Council in assisting the resident where able to do so and offer advice.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk make the relevant decisions in terms of installations on council owned land to assist the resident to resolve the matter as best he can.

There being no further business of the Council, the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.27pm

Signed: _____ Date: _____