

Sally's Summary

The Town Clerk's regular roundup of meetings:

Full Council September 8th, 2021

The September meeting had a packed agenda, following the summer break, and lots of decisions were made.

An application for CIL funding from Faringdon Ruby Club for £50,000 for floodlights was approved.



A feasibility study into a share car, cycles and scooters would be carried out, results to be presented at a future meeting.

A parking notice, politely reminding people not to park in the Market Place on market days, was approved.

Recommendations from the Finance and Audit Committee, held prior to this meeting, were approved including:

- To release £3251.78 from the general reserve to complete the next phase of the Better Ways to School project, which includes cycling and walkways
- The Heads of Terms for The Volunteer pub ground floor purchase would be sent to solicitors for review
- Eagles Park Licence Terms were agreed. This area will be developed into a boules court.

Cllr Bentley, Smith, and the Town Clerk will form a Working Party to investigate revising the neighbourhood plan.

Cllr. Webb was appointed to the following working parties: Town Centre/ Covid-19 Recovery, Parking, S106 & CIL and Climate Change



An application for s106 funds to resurface Elm's tennis court will be made to the District Council.

FTC support Great Coxwell parish councils' application to refurbish the multi-use games area in Great Coxwell Park.

The Town Council will try to list the Infant School site as an Asset of Community Value. Members feel this site is essential for providing leisure space for our growing community and should be retained for this purpose after the school moves to the new site at Park Rd. It was also decided to investigate the Infant School site as a potential location for a multi-use games area.

Cllr. Wise was asked to respond to a consultation by Oxfordshire County Council on improving bus services. He will suggest better connectivity for Faringdon and surrounding villages.



After a progress meeting, members were informed the Old Town Hall building works were expected to take two more weeks, with a new completion date at the end of September.

County Cllr. Thomas gave a report and agreed to investigate the following:

- Plans for the FAZE and Infant school sites.
- Old s106 monies earmarked for social services.
- Making streets safer around schools

District Cllrs. Thomas and Grant gave a report and agreed to the following:

- To attend a Parking Working Party meeting, to explain the how civil parking enforcement would work and to hold a public meeting to inform residents about new enforcement coming in November.
- To investigate the sewage and water situation at the new build estate on Highworth Road.
- To update FTC on a master plan for Folly Park when progress is made.

Tuckers Recreation Ground Trust 6th September 2021

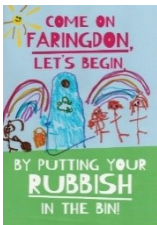
Cllr. Thomas was elected as Vice Chair of the Trust.

Issues were raised by a member of the public regarding vandalism, antisocial behaviour, and litter. The police would be informed and preventative measures such as anti-climb paint investigated.

There is still an issue with dog poo and loose dogs on the football pitches. Members considered future solutions and agreed:

- A concerted effort would be made between Town Council and Football Club to try and reduce problem.
- To carry on producing and replacing removed signs.
- Faringdon Football Club to produce video with younger teams, highlighting the danger of dog poo on the pitches.

There is a big problem with littering at the park including glass, bottle caps and football tape. The football club agreed to ensure tape is picked up. The provision extra bins will be explored. Reported sticky residue on the play park equipment would be investigated by Cllrs Castle and Thomas.



Faringdon War Memorial Trust 6th September 2021

Hire charges of the Old Town Hall will remain at rate is £8.50 per hour and £40 per day for 2021/2022.

A renovation progress report included:

- Pigeon defenses will be installed.
- Delays had been caused due to difficulty in sourcing lift parts.
- A sign would be installed to explain that lime wash can dry different shades on the building.
- New tables have been purchased to make the room more versatile.

A flower installation will be put under the Old Town Hall from 8th to 10th October 2021 by local florists JEMs Complete Care and Go Tell the Bees.



Faringdon Community Larder Launches 5th October!

Community Larder is a membership programme that provides surplus food from wholesalers and supermarkets with the aim of reducing food waste.

The community larder will hopefully create a community hub for residents to meet to collect food and have a coffee.

In partnership with SOFEA we will be launching Faringdon's Community Larder on Tuesday 5th October, join us to find out more. Held every Tuesday in the Corn Exchange from 2:30pm to 4:30pm.

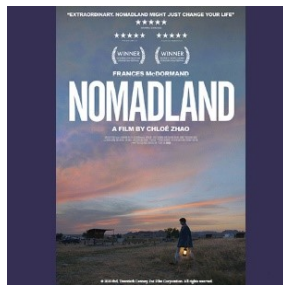


October at the Regent Cinema

Numbers will be limited to 40 so please buy early to avoid disappointment



6TH OCTOBER MATINEE CLUB FILM
TICKETS AVAILABLE FROM FARINGDON TOWN COUNCIL THE PUMP HOUSE, MARKET PLACE, FARINGDON, SN2 7BE
ADULTS £4 IN ADVANCE
DOORS AT 12:30PM
FILM STARTS AT 1:00PM



FRI 22 OCTOBER BLOCKBUSTER
DOORS AT 7:00PM
FILM STARTS AT 7:30PM
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ADULTS £4 IN ADVANCE
DOORS AT 7:00PM
FILM STARTS AT 7:30PM

Folk Weekend on Tour – in Faringdon October 9th

Faringdon Town Council are working in partnership with **Folk Weekend Oxford** who are bringing a one-day folk festival to Faringdon.



The day will include:

- Morris dancers and music around town from 10.30am
- Ceilidh with Oxford 4pm to 5.30pm in the Market Place
- Local music performers in The Bell midday to 11pm
- Music in the Swan from 4pm
- Concert in the Corn Exchange 7.30pm:
Nancy Kerr and James Fagan, with support act Josh Newman and Mitch Keely.

For more info and tickets (£15/£12) please visit:
www.folkweekendoxford.co.uk

<https://www.facebook.com/folkweekendoxford>

Community Champion Course

Free six-week online course starts on the 4th of October 10am to 11am, in partnership with Oxfordshire Adult Learning. The course is suitable for anyone wishing to build confidence or take a more active role in the community. For more information, please email office@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk



Artist of the Month for October 2021

Faringdon Information Centre is very pleased to welcome well-known Faringdon Artist Peter Wheeler as October's Artist of the Month. Peter trained at Walsall School of Art and, after twenty years of working with top name advertising, he felt the need to get back to his artistic roots. He moved to Faringdon and ran his own very successful graphic design studio for the next twenty-five years.



Various solo and group exhibitions have been successfully mounted over the years, and fourteen years after his 2005 debut exhibition with Faringdon Art Society, to his great delight, Peter won not only their award for the best acrylic painting but was made the overall cup winner.

Following many requests for quality greetings cards, he has enlarged his range of winter themed cards. All are based in our lovely town of Faringdon, which together with new spring and summer views, are carefully curated, printed and hand finished from original artwork.

Come along to the Information Centre at The Pump House in Faringdon Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm and Saturday 9.30am to 1pm during October to see a selection of Peter's work together with the opportunity to purchase from the new ranges of cards.

Cards for Good Causes

A fantastic range of Charity Christmas Cards will go on sale in the Information Centre from the 15th October until the 24th December. A large percentage from the cards goes directly to the charity. Come and have a browse! Opening hours Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm and 9:30am to 1pm on Saturdays.



Citizens Advice is Back in Person!

Drop in if you need advice every Wednesday morning.



October 2021 Meetings

Facilities 6th October, Full Council 11th October

Finance and Audit 20th October Planning and Highways 27th October All meetings will be held in the Jubilee Room in the Pump House and start at 7.15pm. Press and Public are invited to attend.