





# Sally's Summary

### Planning and Highways Meeting 23<sup>rd</sup> February

The committee considered **6 householder applications** and raised no objections.

It was NOTED that applications had been submitted to Vale of White Horse District Council to register the FAZE site on Highworth Rd and The Infant School as **assets of community value**, under the Localism Act.

The Clerk was asked to approach Builders Ede to compensate for the loss of the **gateway** at Stickley Court to enable the provision of additional welcome signs at Coxwell Rd and London St.

Signs have been ordered, by County Council (OCC), for the **20mph zone** in the town centre, it is hoped this will be implemented soon. The 20mph zone could be extended in due course.

Members considered the cost of a moveable, **light-up speeding sign.** This would be SAM (Smiley Activated Sign) which also creates and records traffic data. Cllr Thomas has said that she could contribute the funds for a second sign if the Town Council approve funding of the first one.

The committee would recommend to the Finance and Audit Committee to fund a sign.

Swan Lane traffic issues: A consultation will be held with residents on a proposal to make a short section of Swan Lane one-way where the lane comes in from the London Street direction. More information can be found on our website or by emailing sally@faringdontwoncouncil.gov.uk

It was agreed to contact OCC to progress making the lane at the side of the Old Town Hall into an **enforced bus lane**.

The landowner of the **Park Rd Retail Park** would be contacted about creating pedestrian crossings.

The following suggestions would be made to OCC for funding from **community infrastructure levy:** 

- i) Bridge over the A420 it is appreciated that this is expensive, but a safe crossing point is of paramount importance to our community
- ii) Opening **Stanford Road** just at the end from the roundabout for access to Folly Park sports facilities.

A request will be made to VWHDC that our **complaint** regarding the planning application **Rogers Concrete - COM 893/1** be escalated to stage two.

# Full Council Meeting 9th March 2022

The Clerk to enquire from VWHDC if there was any news regarding the unspent **S106 Wessex Leisure money**.

**Parking and Civil Enforcement:** Following requests from residents for on-street parking permits it was agreed that a discussion should be held at the next Town Meeting on May 18<sup>th</sup>.

Suggestions will be made to OCC for changes to problem areas for on-street parking – these are available on our website.

It was agreed to proceed with an **Overall Plan for Faringdon**, to be developed in tandem with a Neighbourhood Plan review. A land audit would be undertaken to map any land in the town that could be earmarked for community use. Community groups are asked to get in touch if they need space for their activities.

Applications to the **County Councillor Priority Fund** would be made to purchase a Speed Indicator Device and to resurface Elms Tennis Court.

Asset of Community Value: Concern was raised about developer interest in the land known as **Humpty Dumpty Hill**. Although it is believed the land is protected as a designated town green, it was agreed to investigate this further with a view to making an application to register the land.

The Town Council will be setting up a **forum of surrounding parishes** to share ideas and work together – to meet twice a year.

# April Meetings - now Mondays!

From April 1<sup>st</sup> Faringdon Town Councils meetings will generally be held on Mondays at 7pm.

The links will be available on our website:

<u>www.faringdontowncouncil.gov.uk</u> and on social media. There is always a section at our meetings where the public are invited to speak, so come along and have your say.

Community and Partnerships	30 <sup>th</sup> March 2022
Committee	
Facilities Committee	4 <sup>th</sup> April 2022
Full Council	11 <sup>th</sup> April 2022
Planning and Highways	25 <sup>th</sup> April 2022



ShopAppy is coming to Faringdon! ShopAppy.com is a "Shop and Support Local Business" website backed by VISA, making it easy to browse, book and buy from local businesses.

ShopAppy believe that it shouldn't be easier to shop with a warehouse in the middle of nowhere, than it is to shop with the businesses on your doorstep. ShopAppy's mission is to create a community of *local* shoppers.

ShopAppy.com provides a platform where all the products, services and hospitality are available from independent businesses in the Faringdon area – a one-stop-local-online-shop! ShopAppy is search optimized so local people and visitors to the town will find your business easily.

Using ShopAppy.com is easy: the vendor dashboard is straight forward to use and the ShopAppy.com team is always on hand to help. They don't take any commissions on sale, only passing on a card processing fee of 2%.

ShopAppy.com have partnered with Vale of the White Horse District Council to use the platform paid for and free of charge.



Register for FREE today, using the 'Register New Account' button at <u>https://shopappy.com/vendor/</u> Select 'Covid-19 Free Use' when you submit your registration. Contact Jane Stewart at ShopAppy on 07770 655 302 or email <u>jane@shopappy.com</u>. Jane will be ringing local businesses over the next few weeks, to help get your business registered.



## Snow Wardens needed!

Are you community spirited? Would you like to help your friends, family and neighbours? Faringdon Town Council are looking for Snow Wardens to help clear snow from

paths in extreme weather. You will be provided with a snow kit to help keep local residents safe in icy and snowy conditions. For more information contact: <u>sarah@faringdontowncouncil.gov.uk</u>



# Faringdon Community Larder

We are delighted that we have been able to **save 2.5 tonnes** of fresh fruit and vegetables from landfill. If you would like

to learn more about the Community Larder and how to reduce food waste, or become one of our Community Larder members, please come along to the Corn Exchange on Tuesday from 2:30pm to 4pm.



# Do you want a street party for the Platinum Jubilee?

We can help by providing a street party pack and advice on road closures. Please register your interest by 30th April 2022. Contact details: 01367 240281 or

office@faringdontowncouncil.gov.uk



# Artist of the Month

Faringdon Information Centre is delighted to welcome George Woolliams as our Artist of the month for April. When you come along to the

Information Centre you will see display pieces showing different print mediums, a range of prints, and greetings cards to purchase along with



magnets and other photo gifts of local landmarks and nature. George's photography mainly focuses on local architecture, landscapes and nature. He wishes to create images which evoke emotions, prompt memories and hopefully inspire

people to visit new places and appreciate the beautiful area and country we live in. To see George's work pop into the Information Centre. Open Monday to Friday 9am to 4pm and 9:30pm to 1pm on Saturdays.

# Faringdon Community Awards 2022

To read the full description of the awards and nominees, please visit www.faringdontowncouncil.gov.uk

## This year's shortlist: Community Hero Award

- Rachel Williams: Folk Weekend, Morris dancers, the Swan Sessions and Community Choir.

- Peter King: volunteer work for the COVID vaccination team.

- Al Cane: raising funds for Food Bank, The Place etc. through music at Saturday markets.
- Rebekah Pugh: Flowers from Molly.

#### Group Award

- Faringdon Art Society: promoting art through trips, exhibitions and workshops.

- Faringdon Rugby Club: inclusive nature promoting participation of women and children.

- Pump House Project: offering a variety of activities to the community.

#### **Business Award**

- Sadlers: adapting the business through the introduction of Gastro Meals.

- RM Therapies: Robbie Mullaney's free physical therapy and First Aid support to the Faringdon Rugby Men's Team.
- The Advertiser: promoting businesses and supporting sports teams.

# **Community Volunteer Award**

- Faringdon Food Bank Volunteers: tirelessly supporting others in need.

- COVID Vaccination Centre Volunteers: for their time and essential hard work, making the system run efficiently.
- Karen Vogt: voluntarily running the Mustard Seed and delivering Christmas hampers.

# **Community Environmental Champion Award**

- Tribe Zero Waste: positive impact on the environment.

- Pam de Witt: flowerbeds in Southampton St car park.

- Mark Coleman: volunteer work for The Wilderness Project and the National Trust.