



Sally's Meeting Summary

Planning and Highways 25th April

A resident asked for disabled parking outside the Friends Meeting House on Lechlade Road. This can be requested directly by residents from Oxfordshire County Council.

9 planning applications were considered.

Strong objections were registered against: **P21/V0576/O** (Outline) Major. Amendment: No. 2 Outline application for access only for the erection of 25 dwellings with open space and associated infrastructure. Address: Land at Fernham Road Faringdon, *on the grounds of concerns regarding:*

Drainage, flood risk, concerns regarding trees and biodiversity, pedestrian and cycle links and traffic congestion on the narrow Fernham Road.

A response to the complaint regarding the planning permission granted at Rogers Concrete, Sandhill, Faringdon. Planning application: P20/V0855/O was received. Members were unhappy with the response where the complaint was not upheld. It was agreed that a recommendation be made to Full Council that this complaint move to next stage.

Concern was raised regarding the lack of connecting footpaths between housing estates. The councillors felt it was important these were facilitated at an early stage in planning. The Clerk will book an online appointment with the new District Council planning Q&A sessions to ask how this can be achieved.

Full Council Annual Meeting of Council 9th May



Cllr. Bentley was elected as Mayor and Cllr. Liz Swallow elected as Deputy Mayor for 2022/23.

The annual meeting sees all the appointments to committees, sub committees, working parties and

outside bodies. These can all be found on our website or requested in hard copy from the Town Clerk. The meeting also reviewed all council policies and procedures.

The Women's Tour professional cycling race will come through Faringdon on 11th June 2022. Farcycles will lead the festivities.

An invitation was received from Sewage for Windrush to attend an investigation meeting at the Faringdon Sewage Works. Several councillors will attend and report back.

June Council Meetings - now Mondays at 7pm

Links will be available on our website:

www.faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk and on social media.

There is always a section at our meetings where the public are invited to speak, come along and have your say.

Full Council	13th June
Planning and Highways	27th June
Community and Partnerships	20th June
Facilities	4th July

Town Meeting 18th May

The following community awards were presented:

Recognition of outstanding service to the Community

Mairead Boyce

Roddy Benson

Clive Davis Community Hero Award

Peter King

Group Award - Pump House Project

Community Volunteer Award

COVID Vaccination Centre Volunteers

Community Environmental Champion

Katie-Louise Herring - Tribe Zero Waste

Community Business Award - Sadlers

Congratulations to all the winners and to all those nominated!

Council committees, working parties and local groups provided reports that are available on our websites.

The following topics were discussed:

Climate Change including Green Day Event and Plastic Free Community Status

Car share scheme: the idea of funding two cars for the community to access via a carshare scheme was presented. There are environmental benefits with users able give up second cars. Please visit our website to find out more and tell us what you think.

Parking in Faringdon -parking in the town and the need for residents permits. Would you like residents permits?

United Nations Treaty on the Prohibition of Nuclear Weapons - Following a motion to the Town Council by Cllr. Burns, it was agreed that it should be the Towns people who decide if the Town Council declares support. Those present at the meeting voted to support the motion.

Street Cleanliness It was suggested that people report any issues to the District Council, who are responsible, via Fix My Street. It was also suggested that people be responsible for their own frontage.

A celebration of bollard designs & Artweeks

An official 'bollard launch' to thank the artists and contributors was marked by sunshine, music and balloons in the square on Saturday 14 May.



Artweeks commenced with a private view and the opening of the Old Town Hall where artists,

councillors, local businesses and groups attended. Mayor, Cllr. Bentley, opened the event. Artweeks ran from 14-22 May showcasing local art.



Artist of the Month

We welcome Robert Marchant for June 2022. The arts were not a priority to Bob in his youth and he opted for a career as an engineer. However, being a practical person, years later he decided to have a go at oil painting. He enrolled in an evening class and things took off from there. These days, Bob mostly paints with acrylics but likes to try different mediums and has dabbled with watercolour, photography, linocuts, dry point etching, monoprinting, pottery, mosaics, stained glass, marquetry, mixed media and even blacksmithing. Bob is always on the lookout for a new subject or a different way of portraying an old one. Bob has lived in Oxfordshire for more than 35 years. He is a member of Lechlade and Faringdon Art Societies and exhibits locally. He has an extensive range of greetings cards reproduced from his paintings. To see Bob's work please visit the Information Centre throughout June, open Monday to Fridays 9am to 4pm and 9:30am to 1pm on Saturdays.



**The Queen's
Platinum
Jubilee Celebrations**

**Thursday 2nd June -
Beacon Lighting**
Time: 8:30pm
Venue: Market Place

**Friday 3rd June -
Cinema**
Time: 7pm
Venue: Corn Exchange

**Saturday 4th June -
RBL Parade**
Time: 11 am
Venue: Market Place

Vintage Bike Ride
Time: 9am and/or 10:45am
Venue: Market Place

**Sunday 5th June -
Rotary's "Picnic in the Park"**
Time: 11am to 4pm
Venue: Tuckers Park

Family Bike Ride
Time: 10am
Venue: Southampton Street Car Park

Car Share

Faringdon Town Council are investigating a car share scheme in Faringdon. Many current users in other towns have given up their second cars, so there are environmental benefits. Before we decide to progress this idea, we need your input.

Have a look at <https://www.co-wheels.org.uk/>

Let us know if this is something you would be interested in joining or not!

Users can pay a one-off fee of £25 then membership from £5 per month. Cars can be booked in 15 min slots from £40 per day. Email sally@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk with your thoughts.

Swan Lane - one way

Residents have contacted us saying they think Swan Lane is unsafe. Before we ask the highways authority to look at making changes, we want your views. Do you think traffic flow in Swan Lane needs changing? Do you think the narrow London Street end should be one way? Please fill in our survey available on our website or in hard copy at the Information Centre and tell us what you think.



**Faringdon's
Big Green Day**

**1st October 2022
Corn Exchange
from - 10am to 1pm**

Join us for a day to highlight
GREEN activities, projects, and
businesses in and around
Faringdon

If you would like to take part
please email
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