



## Sally's Summary

### Community and Partnerships Committee 20<sup>th</sup> June

Cllr. Martin was elected as **Vice Chair**. Cllr Castle is Chair. A **Mayor's Summer Fun Day** will be held on **10<sup>th</sup> September**. The Tucker's Park **Play Day** will be held on **Friday 5<sup>th</sup> August**. **Partners updated** the committee on their progress including Record Fair, The Pump House Project, Earth and Faith Tree Planting scheme, Faringdon Youth Club and Faringdon Food Bank. If your organisation would like to work in partnership with the committee, please get in touch!

**Art Weeks** was well attended in the Old Town Hall. Phase one of the artistic **Bollards Project** has been delivered and has really brightened up the town centre. If you would like to create a bollard for phase two, email [liza@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:liza@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk)



The committee were pleased to receive updates on the success of both the **Community Larder** and **Cinema**. A recommendation to install **pink plaques** on buildings and notable places as researched by the pink plaque committee, will be recommended to the Finance and Audit Committee.

It was agreed to produce a leaflet on **Faringdon Tunnels**, researched by Cllr. Burns.

### Planning and Highways Meeting 27<sup>th</sup> June

Cllr. Wise was elected as **Vice Chair**. Cllr. Boulton is Chair. The committee considered **8 planning applications**. An **objection** was made on [P22/V1194/FUL](#) Formation of jet wash bay at 21 Park Road for the following reasons:

- No detail of how they will treat the used water
  - No provision for the wastewater
  - No reference how they are going to reduce use of water
- On application P21/V3283/CM Condition 37 (Badger Survey) Faringdon Quarry, the committee **commented** on the importance of maintaining wildlife corridors.

The results of a consultation to make **Swan Lane one way** at the London Street end were received. There were 98 responses: 68% yes, 28% No, 10% Maybe. A request will be made to County Council to investigate further.

### Facilities Committee 4<sup>th</sup> July

Cllr. Webb was elected as **Vice Chair**. Cllr. Burns is Chair. Members were pleased to have a presentation proposing the provision of a **Splash Park** for children in Faringdon, possibly sited at Folly Park.

Quotes for **replacing all lights with LEDs**. It was AGREED that lights would be replaced as and when they fail.

A **Christmas Lights** working party was appointed, consisting of the Town Clerk and Cllrs. Bentley, Boulton and Webb.

S106 funding had been allocated for the resurfacing of **Elms Tennis Court**, topped up by the County Councillors priority fund. A quote was approved, and works will take place in half term February 2023.



**Live Music in the Corn Exchange** – a trial event will take place later in the year in consultation with neighbours, with a view to having regular events if successful.

### Full Council Meeting of Council 12<sup>th</sup> July

Young people presented the case for a **Splash Park** in Faringdon. Faringdon Town Council were pleased to receive the presentation and fully support the request for the District Council to provide a splash park in Faringdon.

A new **Parish Forum** had taken place, where surrounding villages came together in Faringdon to discuss solutions to common problems, the forum will meet four times a year.

Cllr. Thomas gave her **County Council report** and will follow up on the following:

- Possible use of the **1<sup>st</sup> floor of library** by COGS and youth services
- The Town Councillors were extremely frustrated at **use of gas in new primary school** which will inevitably lead to need for retrofitting a greener system
- **Infants School** is planned to be investigated as an SEN school but a question remains as to use of the **woods and playing field**
- Future use of **FAZE site**

Members considered a **Motion Under Notice** to employ a part-time non-permanent Climate Change Officer / Community Champion. It was agreed to investigate this further through the correct processes, in particular financial approvals.

A creative brief and plan for a **bench trail project** in partnership with VoWHDC has been advertised, calling for artists to come forward. For more information contact [liza@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:liza@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk)

**Konigstein Twinning** – an invitation to visit the German town September 22<sup>nd</sup> to 25<sup>th</sup> 2022 was received with thanks. Anyone wishing to be involved in the new twinning partnership or be included in the visit should email [sally@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:sally@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk)



A **crest for Faringdon** is being worked on. **Folly Fest** held in July was a huge success and thanks and congratulations were given to the organisers.

Members were informed **FAZE** registration as an asset of community value was not approved. **Infant School** registration as an asset of community value was approved.

### Council Meetings

Links will be available on our website: [www.faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk](http://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.

<b>Planning and Highways (Tuesday)</b>	<b>30<sup>th</sup> Aug</b>
<b>Trust Meetings 6.30pm start</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>
<b>Finance and Audit with Grants</b>	<b>5<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>
<b>Full Council</b>	<b>12<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>
<b>Planning and Highways</b>	<b>26<sup>th</sup> Sept</b>



### Car Share – Do you think it’s a good idea?

As part of our declaration of Climate Emergency the Town Council are researching the idea of having a car share club in Faringdon. We want your views so we know if this is something that would benefit the community.

The car club aims to do the following:

1. Reduce the number of cars in the town
2. Give people the opportunity to borrow the car when needed
3. Give the opportunity to try an electric car

The service is easy to use, information here:

<https://www.co-wheels.org.uk/>

Costs are as follows:

There is a one-off joining fee of £25

Monthly membership is £5 (£25 for under 26 year olds)

Hire charge per hour £5 for a small car and 5p per mile for an electric vehicle. Charges include insurance, maintenance, and cleaning.

Two cars could be funded using £40,000 CIL funding for three years. It is hoped they would then be self-funded using membership.

Visit our Facebook or website to take part in the survey or email your views to [office@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:office@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk)

### Reporting Issues You May See Around Town

If you see dirty streets, fly tipping, potholes or any other issues in town you can report them to the responsible bodies via [fixmystreet.com](http://fixmystreet.com). If you would like to help us report issues you can volunteer to become a fix my street super user. Contact [adele@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:adele@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk) for details.

### Artist of the Month



Faringdon Information Centre is delighted to welcome Edward Moss as our Artist of the month for August.

At the information centre you can see a sample of Edward’s work as a local wildlife artist. Edward’s eye-catching

watercolour paintings and loose style can be seen (and purchased) on a wide range of original paintings and prints, tea towels, bone china mugs and stunning gift cards.

Edward frames for customers alongside framing his own original paintings and prints.

After initially training as a wildlife biologist Edward focuses on capturing movement, shape and energy in many of his paintings. He draws upon this past knowledge and strives to paint the subject in their natural environment but with original poses.

To see Edward’s colourful work come into the Information Centre. Open Monday to Friday 9am-4pm and 9:30pm-1pm on Saturdays.



### Remembrance Exhibition

The War Memorial Trust and Royal British Legion will be holding an exhibition of war time memorabilia in the Old Town Hall, to reflect on the impact that wars have made on local families. If you have any memorabilia, items, stories, photographs or any documents from World War I, World War II, or any other conflict that you would like to share, or if you would like to volunteer to man the exhibition, please email [adele@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk](mailto:adele@faringdowntowncouncil.gov.uk). Any precious items that you may think to be too valuable to exhibit can be photocopied and the Trust will take care to return original items to their owners. The exhibition will be open to the public from 10am to 3pm on Friday 11th and Saturday 12th November, and after the Remembrance Day ceremony on Sunday 13th until 1pm.