

# **FARINGDON TOWN COUNCIL**

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## **Minutes of Full Faringdon Town Council (FTC) meeting held on Monday 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024 at 7:00pm in the Jubilee Room, Pump House, Faringdon**

Cllrs. present: Peter Castle (Chair)  
Jane Boulton  
James Famakin from min 5/2/24  
Julie Farmer  
Angela Finn  
Alan Ford  
Steve Leniec  
Rufus Lunn  
Chris Palmer  
Gene Webb  
Mark Wild  
Mike Wise

In Attendance: Sally Thurston, Town Clerk  
Margaret Nairne, Town Clerk's Assistant  
D/Cllr. Lucy Edwards  
C/Cllr. Bethia Thomas

### **1/2/24 Apologies for Absence** Cllr. Morgan

**2/2/24 Minutes of last Meeting – Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023**  
The Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 15<sup>th</sup> January 2023 were signed as a correct record.

**3/2/24 Declarations of Interest & requests for dispensations**  
None

**4/2/24 Public Speaking and Question Time**  
None

**5/2/24 Items for information and action list:**  
Members NOTED the following:  
a) Action list  
b) Donation of £500 towards regalia  
c) Town Crier's bell which will go into the museum  
d) Summary of subjects raised at recent councillor surgery

**6/2/24 Correspondence**  
Members NOTED a list of correspondence circulated by email up to and including 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024. The merger of Academy schools was noted. This will be discussed at the next Community and Partnerships committee meeting in order to give feedback from FTC.

### **7/2/24 Reports from outside bodies.**

Members NOTED the following:

- a) No report from Thames Valley Police
- b) Parish transport meeting
- c) Community bus AGM. It was noted that more volunteer drivers are needed and this would be put in the next edition of FTC newsletter.

### **8/2/24 County Councillor's Report**

Members NOTED a report from C/Cllr. Thomas.

C/Cllr. Thomas commented that the county's budget setting is bound by government regulations and the council is facing a huge service ask, particularly for social care.

### **9/2/24 District Councillors' Report**

Members NOTED a report from Cllr. Thomas and Cllr. Edwards.

### **10/2/24 Chair's Activity Report**

Members NOTED the Mayor's activity report.

### **11/2/24 Reports from Committees**

Members received and NOTED minutes from the following committee meeting, including decisions taken under delegated authority:

- a) Planning and Highways Committee: 22nd January 2024

### **12/2/24 Clerk's Report & Schedule of Payments**

- a) Cllr. Farmer PROPOSED, Cllr. Wise SECONDED and it was RESOLVED to approve the schedule of payments up to and including 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024.
- b) Members NOTED Clerk's external activities to 12<sup>th</sup> February 2024.

### **13/2/24 Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) and Recreational Space**

Members received and considered an update. A site for a MUGA is being investigated at Folly Park on Rugby Club leased land. There is also a need for further facilities at the site including changing facilities and indoor sports. It was PROPOSED that the Clerk be delegated authority to further investigate, in consultation with Cllr. Norris and Faringdon Rugby club. This was SECONDED and RESOLVED.

It was further PROPOSED by Cllr. Palmer, SECONDED by Cllr. Wild to apply for s106 funds allocated for a MUGA towards pre-application advice and professional fees for work on a MUGA proposal. This was RESOLVED

### **14/2/24 Fernham Road Footpath Link**

The transfer agreement documents have still not arrived. Cllr. Castle PROPOSED, Cllr. Wise SECONDED and it was RESOLVED to delegate approval and signature of the documents to Cllr. Wise and the Clerk.

### **15/2/24 Vale of White Horse District Council Local Plan Consultation**

Members considered a response from FTC. It was PROPOSED, SECONDED and RESOLVED that the Local Plan Consultation Working Party should meet and formulate comments to be sent on to the Clerk.

### **16/2/24 Planning Applications to Vale of White Horse District Council awaiting comments from Faringdon Town Council:**

[P24/V0105/LB](#) - Retrospective consent for slimline double-glazed units added to existing casements and replacement French window. Flat 6 10-12 Langford House Gloucester St Faringdon SN7 7HY. **NO OBJECTIONS**

## 17/2/24 Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils Forum

Cllr. Lunn can attend every other meeting and members agreed that Cllr. Webb and Cllr. Castle will act as deputies, when he is not available.

## 18/2/24 Agenda Items for the next meeting

Items deferred to March for further information:

- a. Probation Community Service
- b. Bus review
- c. Recording policy
- d. Laptop software

Items for Monday 11<sup>th</sup> March 2024 should be forwarded to Clerk by Friday 4<sup>th</sup> March 2024.

## Meeting closed at: 7.45 pm

<b>Appendix A. Schedule of Payments Feb 24</b>		
Salaries	Salaries	£ 17,301.82
HMRC	Tax and NI	£ 4,594.33
OCC Pension CONTS	Pension Contributions	£ 5,888.12
<b>Bacs payments made early due to urgency</b>		
Abbey Electrical	Fixed wire testing	£ 2,137.90
One Vision	Printing Signs	£ 610.64
Radcot construction	Wilderness paths	£ 38,278.40
<b>Bacs payments</b>		
J Roberts	Agency	£ 1.80
D Coussins	Agency	£ 2.70
V Hughes	Agency	£ 3.60
M Bond	Agency	£ 4.50
F McCormack	Agency	£ 5.40
G Wooliam	Agency	£ 7.20
Folly Fest	Agency	£ 8.50
S Irigoyen	Agency	£ 9.00
J Puddifoot	Agency	£ 9.00
A Saunders	Agency	£ 10.80
A Cane	Agency	£ 14.13
L Hounam	Agency	£ 15.30
S Greenshield	Agency	£ 16.00
So Pure	Agency	£ 17.97
Button Box	Agency	£ 20.70
Folly Dollies	Refund	£ 21.25
C Purdy	Agency	£ 27.00
Go Tell The Bees	Agency	£ 28.80
K Dyche	Agency	£ 29.70
Folly	Stock	£ 30.00
History Society	Stock	£ 31.61
Webbs	Fence repair	£ 35.11
P Tomlinson	Agency	£ 36.00
B Matthews	Agency	£ 40.50
AIS	Copier	£ 49.13
S Coe	Agency	£ 49.50
Uffington Potter	Agency	£ 49.50
J Fennelly	Agency	£ 51.75
D Whyman	Stock	£ 51.87
Folly and Wild	Agency	£ 67.50
M Makes	Agency	£ 68.85
Lupe Creations	Agency	£ 72.00
Cloudy Group	IT Support	£ 79.20
Cherwell DC	Chairman's event	£ 80.00
Banbury Fundraiser	Mayors event	£ 80.00

FCB	Agency	£ 105.00
Plan and paint	Museum	£ 110.00
Pyrotech	Fire Safety	£ 122.40
Leaseplan	Van lease	£ 152.53
Filmbank	Oppenheimer licence	£ 169.40
Botsford Metal Art	Agency	£ 198.00
Cotswold Woolen Weavers	Agency	£ 220.50
MHP	Stock	£ 348.00
Spotless Cleaning	Cleaning Contract	£ 540.00
BGG Garden and Tree Care	Trees Oakwood	£ 540.00
Faringdon Electrical Services	Christmas Lights	£ 869.71
The Faringdon Advertiser	Magazine newsletter	£ 1,680.00
Root and Branch	GRANT	£ 1,500.00
CAB	GRANT	£ 3,500.00
<b>Direct Debits</b>		
Coop Card	Repay	£ 279.63
Lloyds Card	Repay	£ 2,818.42
VWHDC	CEX Rates	£ 812.00
VWHDC	PH rates	£ 274.00
CF Corporate	Copier Lease	£ 198.25
Mainstream	Broadband and telephone	£ 251.08
Fuel Card	Fuel	£ 42.00
Barclaycard	Credit Card Fee	£ 9.60
Screwfix	Maintenance	£ 68.86
O2	Mobiles	£ 47.32
Veolia	Waste disposal	£ 264.36
British Gas	CEX Gas	£ 818.64
British Gas	CEX Electric	£ 384.20
Smartest Energy	PH Electricity	£ 179.21
<b>Total Town Council Invoices</b>		<b>£ 86,440.19</b>