

# Farrington Gurney Parish Council Meeting Minutes

## Monday 21<sup>st</sup> November 2016

Present	M. Hedges (Chair)	D Teal
	T. Marston (Clerk)	D Deakin
	S Bown	S King

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**1. To receive any apologies for absence.**  
S Griffiths , A Jefferies, D Davis and Cllr Kew

**2. Police**  
Not present

**3. Public**  
4 Public present

**4. Public participation**

Following heavy rainfall in previous days flooding had occurred at locations in the village with areas most affected being Pitway Lane, March Lane and Church Lane. Several residents attended the meeting to express concerns now and for the future.

Cllr Hedges attended Pitway Lane that day and witnessed events and gave a summary of this and the background to flooding issues in the village. Several villagers also provided back ground and views on a way forward.

Following flooding earlier in the year BaNES had commissioned a report which was prepared by Simon Morrissey – Drainage engineer. The report identified follow up action which picked up some of the concerns raised at the meeting. With BaNES the lead authority they would be responsible for coordination of any future investigations and delivery of actions.

Agreed that Cllr Hedges would write to District Cllr Kew and ask that he raise residents’ concerns with the Highways Department giving particular attention to a need for a programme of gully cleaning, an update on the June 2016 report and recommend a site visit to discuss flooding concerns with residents.

**5. Declaration of Interest**  
None

**6. Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on the 17<sup>th</sup> October 2016**  
Agreed by Cllrs King and seconded by Cllr Bown

**7. Matters arising**

Objections to removal of Phone Box submitted to BaNES sent to BaNES – Closing date 25<sup>th</sup> November 2016.  
Response awaited

Grass cutting at the Churchyard – Clerk has contacted Rev Edwards on two occasions and is awaiting a reply.  
Agreed Clerk to follow up with Caroline Husband and cc Cllr Davis

Tree planting permission at Marsh Lane. Clerk reported that the land is believed to belong to Lovell Homes.  
PC supported the planting of a tree (Christmas) as long as it is sited so not as to obstruct traffic view etc. Clerk to update Val Parfitt.

Sunnyside / A37 –site meeting . Cllr Kew was not present but advised this has still not taken place

Parking at Hill View – Clerk received a letter from D Elliot of 17 Hill View expressing concern about parking in the area esp at the bend near the garages. Agreed this would be escalated to BaNES Highways for consideration and review. Clerk to advise D Elliot of action taken.

**8. Correspondence requiring a decision, action or for special note.**

Devolution Deal endorsed – BaNES News release circulated prior to meeting

PCC Video webchat – any questions for Sue Mountstevens email to [pcc@avonandsomerset.pnn.police.uk](mailto:pcc@avonandsomerset.pnn.police.uk)

Annual Parish Online event 6<sup>TH</sup> December Newton Park Campus – web based mapping service. No Cllrs attending

Consultation launched on the West of England Joint Spatial Plan and Joint Transport Study – Exhibition running at The Hollies from 21<sup>st</sup> Nov – 2<sup>nd</sup> Dec. FGPC noted.

**9. Correspondence for information only (available to view before or after meeting)**

**10. New business** (Items presented to Clerk for inclusion on Agenda)

None

**11. Planning**

New Application: none

Current Applications: Status Pending- PC comments submitted

16/04890/FUL 2 Farrington Way- alteration to boundary wall – Permit 22/11/16

16/04198/FUL Lankard View, 15 Rush Hill, Farrington Gurney – Permit 21/11/16  
Provision of new vehicular access with dropped kerb and driveway.

16/03813/FUL Ruett Farmhouse, Ruett Lane, Farrington Gurney - Permit  
Erection of a double garage with store area. Existing garage to be removed.

Other Planning Items: None

**12. Reports**

District Councillor- Not present

Liaison Meeting- Somer Valley AGM tonight 21<sup>st</sup> at 5.00 pm. Next meeting 9<sup>th</sup> March 2017

Footpaths- Cllr Bown has reported the terrible state( surface and edges) of the lower end of Pitway Lane the far section which includes a footpath to Steve Simmons at BaNES – reply awaited

Memorial Hall & Playing Field- new oven fitted

Play Area & BMX Track – some work done at Playground and the other issues (low /med risk) will be kept under review

Allotments – No appetite for carparking but Cllr Deakin will progress the Association plans. 2 allotments in poor condition. Clerk to follow up.

School Governor – Primary school to become part of Norton Hill Academy in April 17

ALCA – nothing further

Highways – nothing further

Parish Plans- nothing further

Web Site- nothing further  
Telephone Box & Bus Shelter- nothing further  
Church Yard- already discussed

Curo – service charge. Cllr Hedges approached by Residents concerning an increase in service charge. He has spoken to Curo and shared explanation with residents.

**13. Financial Matters**

Balances - Current account @ 1<sup>st</sup> November £21,052.54 ( ½ year precept received)  
Cheques for Payment – Duchy Hall rent, Recreation Ground increase, Shiny and bright

**14. Other Reports (Includes Items for inclusion on agenda for next meeting)**

**15. Dates of the next meetings**

19<sup>th</sup> December  
2017  
16<sup>th</sup> January  
20<sup>th</sup> February