

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE MAIN COUNCIL OF
FELPHAM PARISH COUNCIL 7TH MAY 2024.**

PRESENT:

Chair: Councillor Russ Marsden-Sear, Vice Chair: Pat Young

Councillors: Emma Aylward, Antony Bassett, Bob Budd, Tom Harty, Kirsty Halls, Glen Hewlett, Graham Page, Jules Verhulpen

County Councillor: Jaine Wild

MC 1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Councillor Martin Harvey, Councillor Emma Carrick.

Councillors: Steve Baker, Jacki Burton, Jane Parker and Rick Parker were not present following the Annual Parish Council Meeting.

MC 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:

None

MC 3. QUESTION TIME:

None

MC 4. REPORTS FROM MEMBERS ON OUTSIDE BODIES:

None

**MC 5. TO APPROVE AS A TRUE AND ACCURATE RECORD THE MINUTES OF
THE MAIN COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 2ND APRIL 2024**

The minutes were APPROVED as a true and accurate record.

MC 6. CLERK'S REPORT:

None

MC 7. GENERAL CORRESPONDENCE/ANNOUNCEMENTS:

The Clerk advised the council that letters had been received regarding the Felpham Car Parks but that this was an agenda item for Full Council at Arun District Council on Thursday 9th May with no further updates available until this time.

MC 8. REPORTS FROM COUNTY/DISTRICT COUNCIL MEMBERS:

- (i) **District Councillor Joan English** (Felpham East) – Not present at meeting and no reports received.
- (ii) **District Councillor Tom Harty** (Felpham East) Councillor – no reports.

- (iii) **District Councillor Gill Madeley** (Felpham West) - Not present at meeting and no reports received.
- (iv) **District Councillor Elaine Stainton** (Felpham West) - Not present at meeting and no reports received.
- (v) **County Councillor Jaine Wild** submitted a report in advance that was circulated to all councillors in advance of the meeting.

1. Had a visit with Blakes Mead residents re parking problems and then met with Jake Moore from Worthing Homes at Blakes Mead. We walked the areas where litter, parking and anti-social problems were. This is ongoing with him.
2. Met with Julie Finn WSCC re traffic problems at Downview School, have set in motion a number of suggestions regarding these problems, still ongoing.
3. Had Teams meeting with the WSCC Coroner regarding WSCC Coroners merging with Hove and Brighton, also had interesting talks about what they did during the Lancing Air Disaster.
4. I have been asked by Downview School to be a referee for a refurbishment grant for their early year's outdoor schoolroom.
5. Attended the St Georges parade and service at St Marys Church, which was uplifting and well attended by locals and scouts, cubs, beavers and others.

MC 9. TO APPROVE AS A TRUE AND ACCURATE RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE FINANCE AND ADMINISTRATION COMMITTEE DATED 2ND APRIL 2024

The minutes were APPROVED by the members present of the Finance and Administration Committee as a true and accurate record.

MC 10. CLERK'S REPORT

The RFO advised councillors that end of year closedown had taken place and that an audit will be undertaken on May 16th .

MC 11. TO APPROVE AS A TRUE AND ACCURATE RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE ALLOTMENTS AND OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE DATED 9TH APRIL 2024

This was adjourned as only one member of this committee was present.

MC 12. CLERK'S REPORT

None

MC 13. TO APPROVE AS A TRUE AND ACCURATE RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE PROJECTS AND COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT COMMITTEE DATED 9TH APRIL 2024

The minutes were APPROVED by the members present of the Projects and Community Involvement Committee as a true and accurate record.

MC 14. CLERK'S REPORT

None

MC 15. TO APPROVE AS A TRUE AND ACCURATE RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE PLANNING, LICENCING AND NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN COMMITTEE DATED 9TH APRIL 2024

The minutes were APPROVED by the members present of the Planning, Licensing and Neighbourhood Plan Committee as a true and accurate record.

MC 16. CLERK'S REPORT

Councillor Glen Hewlett requested the authority to use executive powers to determine planning applications during months when meetings do not traditionally take place such as August. This was agreed by councillors.

MC 17. TO AGREE ALTERNATIVE MEETING VENUE FOR JULY MAIN COUNCIL MEETING

Councillor Russ Marsden-Sear proposed that in order to engage with as many residents as possible, an alternative venue of St. Marys Centre be hired to hold the July Main Council meeting. The hire of the small hall is £10 per hour. The RFO advised that council meeting room hire is already budgeted for at the Community Hall when meetings take place here. **Subject to availability, Councillor Russ Marsden-Sear proposed that the July Finance and Main Council meetings be Held at St. Mary's Centre, Grassmere Parade. This was seconded by Councillor Kirsty Halls and unanimously agreed.**

MC 18. CODE OF CONDUCT/STANDING ORDERS

Item postponed as a number of councillors were not present at the meeting.

MC 19. MATTERS OF URGENT PUBLIC IMPORTANCE:

None

MC 20. BUSINESS AT THE CHAIRMAN'S DISCRETION:

Councillor Russ Marsden-Sear thanked councillors for his re-election as Chair.

Councillor Russ Marsden-Sear thanked all councillors and residents who assisted with the Gala Awards evening which was a great success and an enjoyable event appreciated by all those who attended. Letters of thanks had been circulated to councillors.

Felpham Parish Council thanked County Councillor Jaine Wild for her valued regular input to council meetings.

Date of Next Meeting: Tuesday 4th June 2024

Meeting finished 6.50 pm

Approved.....Chairman

Date