

FARTHINGSTONE PARISH COUNCIL

A Parish Council meeting was held on Monday 18th March 2013 in the Village Hall at 8.00pm.

Present – Mrs Jennie Miller in the chair, Dr Stephen Batterby, Mr John Church, Mr Chris FitzGerald, Mrs Sarah Hyatt & Mr Peter Stanton.

Apologies –Mrs Susan Castle

Declarations of Members Interest

Personal	None
Prejudicial	None

The minutes of the last meeting were read, agreed and signed.

Matters Arising

The water leak at the top of Weedon Road appears to have finally been fixed.

There is no news as yet on the request for a grit bin on the Weedon Road.

Neighbourhood Watch

There have been no reported incidents. Remember to keep vigilant.

Clerks Wages

This matter was discussed by all Councillors. It was suggested that these were increased due to the commitment of the clerk and the current rate not being increased for a number of years. JC proposed an increase to £500.00 per year SB seconded. The clerk thanked the Councillors for this increase.

Planning Applications

DA/2012/0906 - Demolition of two dilapidated structures and construction of building for office space at The Firs, Main Street, Farthingstone, NN12 8EY

This application has been approved by DDC planners on 23rd January 2013.

DA/2013/0073 – Renewal of planning permission **DA/2010/0267** for extension at Willow Cottage, Everdon Road, Farthingstone, NN12 8HB

This matter was discussed and there is no reason why this should not be approved.

DA/2012/0094 – Removal of Conditions 6 & 8 relating to occupancy of bungalow approved under application **DA/81/564** at Farthingstone Golf Club, NN12 8HA

This matter was discussed and concerns were raised as to why these conditions want to be removed. A letter to be sent to DDC with the Parish Councils concerns regarding further development on this site. Decision awaited.

Correspondence

An email has been received from a local Mole and pest control person. If anyone has these problems Jennie Miller will let them have his details.

A copy of a letter has been sent to the Parish Council regarding the paddock behind the houses to the north of Main Street which was sent to Harry Brown. There are a lot of waste chemical containers piled up in there - also many parked vehicles. It is believed that they belong to the proprietor of the motor business running out of Manor Farm Buildings. It is unclear if planning permission is needed for either of the above. All was discussed by Parish Councillors - SH to speak to Environmental Health at DDC for guidance.

A.O.B

SB raised the matter of the pot holes in Main Street, and that when they are repaired they soon appear again. PC to monitor this.

CF raised the matter of the Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL). This was discussed by all Councillors and it was suggested that all Councillors send their own comments to JM.

CF raised the letter received from a company regarding offering their services with the Neighbourhood Plan. JM suggested that when SC returns she is asked to look at upgrading the VDS. All Councillors agree.

JC has been asked to pass on thanks to FPC from the PCC for the continued upkeep of the Churchyard and church clock.

JC raised that matter of the funding of the Parish Newsletter and if Farthingstone would be prepared to donate an annual sum of £50.00. At present Blakesley donate £100. This was discussed by all Councillors and agreed. PS Proposed and SH seconded.

PS raised that matter of the annual spring clean he has arranged in previous years. He would like to

organise one for this year. This was agreed by all Councillors. PS to contact DDC regarding the supply of litter pickers.

Dates to be confirmed.

Date for next meeting Monday 20th May 2013 (TBC).

There will also be the Annual Parish Meeting on this date.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.50pm.