

Farthingstone Parish Council

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Minutes of the Meeting of Farthingstone Parish Council Monday 18th November 2024 in the Village Hall 8.00pm

Min No		Action
46/24	<p>Attendance: Peter Stanton, Richard Russell, Stewart Summers Linda Mayne (clerk) Jo Gifford John Acres (resident, chair of Village Hall Committee)</p> <p>Apologies: Peter Mayne, Alison Nelson, Rupert Frost</p>	
47/24	Declaration of Interests: None	
48/24	<p>The Minutes of the meeting held on Monday 23rd September 2024 These were reviewed, proposed by SS, seconded by RR, as a correct record; all agreed and signed by PS.</p>	
49/24	<p>Matters arising not listed elsewhere</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • DHL Development: The developers have appealed against the refusal of the planning application. This will be heard in February 2025 • Golf Club: An update on the development has been sent to all the residents of the village from Fifty Five Hospitality. Everdon Road is likely to be closed for the installation of sewage and electric works; the date is not yet confirmed. • Farm Track: Negotiations are on-going. • FVN: John Acres offered to take on the publication of Farthingstone Village News. John is particularly concerned about the lack of bookings for the Village Hall and feels FVN is a valuable resource for advertising events and amenities in the village. PS will contact Alison Nelson to arrange the handover. • Road Repairs: Although Farthingstone Road through Litchborough was closed for 4 days the repairs are far from satisfactory. Residents should continue to report the problems. • Speed Signs: The advisory speed signs have not yet arrived. LM will chase. The Golf Club have agreed to pay for additional speed signs once the Council has produced a proposal and costings. 	LM
50/24	<p>Public Forum. Jo Gifford drew The Council's attention to: The collection of Green Bins over the Christmas period The discussion about the possibility of the number of polling stations being reduced Information provided by Alan Burns by email to Parish Councils New policies being discussed by the new government Some planning policies are likely to be reversed, discussion planned for December 22nd. LM will find the relevant emails and forward to councillors.</p> <p>SS expressed concern about the blocked drains on Maidford Road. The contact at WNC for floods is Rebecca Breeze</p> <p>John Acres added that the flood outside the Village Hall had been cleared but that the chamber behind the hall is full of water. Malcolm Coulson is investigating further.</p>	LM
51/24	<p>Finance: LM provided figures showing that the expected balance at the end of this financial year is very similar to the balance carried forward from 2022/23, showing that the current precept is meeting our commitments at present. It was therefore agreed that the application for the precept 2025/26 should remain the same at £4500. The form was duly signed by PS. LM will now submit the application.</p>	LM
52/24	Police Liaison: it is likely that PSOs will now cover more villages than previously, so contact will be even less than present.	
53/24	<p>Cemetery Matters: The Churchyard has now been tidied up with special thanks to the Golf Club for sending a helper and to Steve Sayers who worked very hard on the paths. The hedges in the Cemetery have been trimmed and grass seed sown on bare patches.</p>	
54/24	Correspondence: None	
55/24	AOB: None	
56/24	Dates of next meeting: January 20 th 2025	

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Meeting closed 8.40pm

Signed as a true record:

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