

FRAMINGHAM EARL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

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Minutes of the meeting of Framingham Earl Parish Council held on Tuesday 8th September 2015 at 7.30pm at Framingham Earl High School

Present: Cllr Linda Brook – presiding (LB), Cllr Judith Todd (JT), Cllr Barbara Uciechowska-Powell (BUP), Cllr Arthur O’Neil (AON), Cllr Jane Walker (JW), Cllr Roy Whittaker (RW), County Cllr R Smith (RS), District Cllr Lisa Neal (LN)

Apologies: District Cllr John Overton

Members of the Public: Two members of public: Kate Wilde, Louise Bishop

Item		Action By
2015/23	Chairs Welcome (to include any apologies for absence) Apologies were received and accepted from District Cllr John Overton.	
2015/24	Declarations of interest None	
2015/25	Suspension of meeting for Public Participation Resolution to suspend the meeting to invite members of the public to speak. There were no items raised.	
2015/26	Minutes of the meeting held 19th May 2015 – for acceptance. No factual inaccuracies were found and the minutes were approved and signed by the Chair.	
2015/27	County Councillors Report NCC Cllr Smith presented his draft report and highlighted the following aspects: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - GCSE results at Framingham Earl High School (FEHS) – 65% of at least five grade A* to C, against a Norfolk average of 55%. - Flooding at FEHS entrance – A solution is needed, any reports of flooding notify Cllr Smith direct. - Norwich Northern Distributor Road funding shortfall of £30m resolved and starts October 2015, with opening in 2017. 	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Toucan crossing outside FEHS finished, any problems let Cllr Smith know. - Changes to the procedure for renewing concessionary bus passes, now an automatic renewal. - Children's summer reading challenge at Poringland Library concluded with a presentation evening, a big success. - Budget overspends at County Hall of £24m (so far) with a further £111m to be saved over following three years. - Stoke Holy Cross Primary School's (after hours) Schools Out Club rated "good" by OFSTED. - Annual Takeover Day is on 20th November. - New contract for Norwich Park and Ride began 7th September with new green buses, changes in routes and new charges, with Konnectbus of Dereham being the sole contractor. - NCC Adult Education Service has been re-launched following a poor OFSTED result earlier in the year. - Gull Lane flooding, works have been carried out, to notify Cllr Smith directly of any further flooding instances. 	
2015/28	<p>District Councillors Report District Cllr Neal provided report as follows;</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Cllr Neal is vice-chairman of SNC Planning Committee but due to current Chairman being in a traffic accident Cllr Neal has temporarily taken over Chairman's position. - Cllr Overton has been dealing with flooding issues at FEHS, these are still on-going, with additional concerns as to the effects of future developments. - Cllr Neal had meeting with Gwen at Nightingale Centre who outlined her future plans to hold sessions to support dementia sufferers and their careers. - 1st phase of Wymondham Leisure Centre has nearly been completed. - In the Annual Pub of the Year Awards, The Railway Tavern, Framingham Earl was winner of the Eastern Rivers Area - Interviews for new Youth Worker for the Six Youth Club were held, as a result of Sarah being unable to continue. Managed to increase funding for this position to 20 hours per month. 	
2015/29	<p>Planning Matters Cllr Brook advised of one planning application and subsequent decision, application number 2015/1820, works to TPO trees at Oak Apples, 42a Long Road. Decision made was "refusal".</p>	
2015/30	<p>Finance Matters</p>	

	<p>a) Summary of receipts and payments for approval – Approved.</p> <p>b) Statement of accounts to 31st July 2015 for approval - Parish Clerk provided a Finance and Admin Report prior to the meeting, report was approved.</p> <p>c) Learning Agreement for CiLCA (Parish Clerk) for discussion and approval – Approved.</p> <p>d) Parish Clerk salary review – Cllr Brook advised that an appraisal had been carried out; with the Parish Council being fully satisfied with Parish Clerks performance over last year, resulting in a recommended pay increase from pay scale 21 to 22 at revised rate of pay of £10.527 per hour. In addition Parish Clerk would move up another pay scale upon successful completion of the CiLCA. All Councillors approved pay increase.</p> <p>e) Anglian Water Donation – Cllr Brook requested that Cllrs consider possible recipients of donation with a final decision to be made at the December meeting.</p> <p>f) Notice Board – Cllr Brook advised that looking at cost of £900+, based on noticeboard similar to one outside One Stop Shop. Waiting to hear back from Mr Penfold as to whether he could dismantle old board and replace with new one.</p> <p>g) Dog Bin located on Hall Road – Cllr Brook advised to look at replacing this in next financial year 2016/17.</p>	
2015/31	<p>Environmental Matters</p> <p>a) Roundabout – Cllr AON advised that a working committee was in place with himself and Cllr JT representing Framingham Earl PC, alongside two members of Poringland PC. Both in agreement that any improvements would have to be financed through outside sources. Currently Cllr JT looking into sourcing of plants and Poringland representatives looking into sourcing finances. Cllr AON trying to establish who has leased advertising rights. Cllr RS to e-mail Parish Clerk details of advertising contract so Parish Clerk can forward details onto Cllr AON. Cllr RS advised that Bob Edwards (Highways) may be able to help with preparation for planting, Cllr RS to email Cllr JT original e-mail from Bob Edwards.</p> <p>b) Village Sign – Cllr Brook advised that sign had been unveiled and coverage of this was reported in 5+ magazine.</p> <p>c) Litter Problem at One Stop Shop – Complaints received from parishioners with regard to volume of litter. Parish Clerk written to both Post Office and One Stop shop, to date no response received back from One Stop Shop. Post Office believes problem largely due to school children. Cllr JT to raise this issue at Governor’s meeting.</p>	<p>RS</p> <p>RS</p> <p>JT</p>
2015/32	<p>Police and Highways</p> <p>Cllr Brook referred to latest report for August as previously circulated.</p>	

2015/33	<p>Current Practice and Standing Orders Cllr Brook referred to updated Current Practice Statement, dated 01/08/2015 as circulated, document approved. Final draft of Standing Orders document to be completed and circulated for approval at the December meeting.</p>	
2015/34	<p>Correspondence received to date None.</p>	
2015/35	<p>Chairman's urgent business – if any.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) Road Sign - Cllr Brook advised road sign missing at bottom of Long Road (T-junction with Hall Rd), this has been reported and awaiting replacement. b) Correspondence from Mr Otley Cllr Brook has spoken to Mr.Otley with regard to both the roundabout committee and the recent spreading of weed killer on a wet day by Highways. c) Speeding Traffic on Long Road Cllr AON advised spoken to Inspector in charge of traffic department at Acle which covers this area, who assured him that there are three speed guns at Poringland, with officers equipped to use as they see fit. Cllr Brook advised there has been a minute van on Long Road assessing problem. Cllr AON waiting for report to come back. 	

The meeting closed at 8.40pm.

Minutes prepared by Yvonne Wonnacott 09/09/15

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