



**MINUTES OF EAST FARLEIGH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 1 OCTOBER 2024 AT 18.30PM IN EAST
FARLEIGH PRIMARY SCHOOL**

Present: Cllr A Palmer, Cllr D Abbott, Cllr P Tranter, Cllr A White
Officer: Clerk, Nina Henley,
External Attendees: None
Apologies: Cllr Hussein, Cllr T Andersson, Cllr P Beasley, Cllr G Charlton
External Apologies: Cllr Kehily

- 77.FCM/10/24 **To receive apologies for absence**
Cllr Hussein (holiday) Cllr T Andersson (Personal), Cllr P Beasley (personal) , Cllr G Charlton (holiday)
members RESOLVED to accept apologies.
- 78.FCM/10/24 **To receive declarations of interests and lobbying**
None
- 79.FCM/10/24 **Minutes**
Approval and signing of the minutes of the meeting held on 3 Sept 2024.
Members RESOLVED unanimously to approve the minutes with minor adjustment to duplicate payment.
- 80.FCM/10/24 **Public Participation**
There were no members of the public present.
- 81.FCM/10/24 **External Reports and updates**
No updates.
- 82.FCM/10/24 **Highways Working Group**
Report from HWG received next meeting 23 October 2024.
- 83.FCM/10/24 **Planning**
To receive updates on planning matters
I. 24/503527/FULL Little Orchard Dean Street East Farleigh Maidstone Kent ME15 0PU
Erection of a single storey side and rear and front porch extension with the installation of a new flat roof. Loft conversion with front and rear dormers and insertion of roof light including removal of chimneys and changes to fenestration. Erection of a open car port with storage. Widening of existing driveway, creation of new entry and exit point with vehicle crossover.
EFPC has no objections.
II. 24/503762/FULL Eastleigh Workhouse Lane East Farleigh Kent ME15 0PZ. Demolition of existing garage and erection of an outbuilding.
EFPC has no objections.
- 84.FCM/10/24 **East Farleigh Parish Council reporting**
I. Pearsons – to receive update.
(a) To approve work sheet and work carried out. Noted.
(b) Update on additional works. Ramp and gate work completed. Noted.
II. Environment

- (a) Report Maidstone Signs. Quote received for reported work members RESOLVED to accept quote and schedule work.
- III. Village Carpark and Rec/Play area – to receive update.
 - (a) Update from Cllr Beasley. Deferred to November meeting.
 - (b) Inspection Reports. Noted.
 - (c) No updates on work. Deferred to November meeting.
 - (d) Landscape Services. Members RESOLVED to accept new agreement with Landscape Services for 2025.
- IV. Footpaths – to receive update.
 - (a) KCC Pathways. Update deferred to November meeting.
 - (b) Public Footpaths. Cllr White reported KM43 path was completed. Cllr White has reported to PRow possible hazards on the path -to report update at Nov meeting.
- V. KALC
 - (a) KCC transport seminar – Clerk reminded members of seminar dates.
- VI. Community Events –
 - (a) Remembrance Day - This event is planned for Sun 10 November 2024. Clerk to coordinate with the Church and check on refreshments. Cllr Abbott offered to provide a PA system for the event.
 - (b) East Farleigh Fete – It was reported that the school was unable to assist in organising the Village Fete. The East Farleigh Fete Working Group to report back after their next meeting. Noted.

85.FCM/10/24 **Correspondence**

- I. Email communication Non-Domestic Rates Discretionary Rate Review policy. Noted.
- II. Email communication from Hunton PC re Speedwatch. Clerk to reply. Noted.
- III. Email communication from resident re parking Kettle Lane. Reported that this was West Farleigh Parish Council, clerk to reply. Noted.
- IV. Email communication from resident re speeding Lower Road. Noted. Following this communication PC Greenfield has actioned speed checks in this area.
- V. Email communication from resident re hedge cutting Vicarage Lane. Noted, Clerk to report this to KCC.
- VI. Email communication from MBC re resident's survey. Noted.

86.FCM/10/24 **Finance Reporting**

- I. Bank Reconciliation signed by Cllr White
- II. Payments for approval

Payee	Date	Method	Reference	Reason	Amount
Pearsons	01/10/24	BACS	5054	Contract and additional wk	£ 3858.36
Pearsons	01/10/24	BACS	5053	Hedge cutting	£ 330.00
Acuit	01/10/24	BACS	10863	IT Contract	£ 69.92
Lloyds Credit Card	10/07/24	PAID / DD		123 Reg	£ 57.59
				Amazon hi vis Jacket	£ 10.39
				Fee TOTAL £ 70.98	£ 3.00
PWLB	01/10/24	BACS		Public works loan repay	£ 29.31
Gallagher	01/10/24	BACS	536932090	Insurance	£ 534.00
Black Lion Press	01/10/24	BACS	26294	Signs	£ 90.00
Staff Costs Sept					£ 2467.60
SAVINGS					
Redwood	23/09/24	PAID			£ 45000.00
RECEIPTS					
CCLA	03/09/24				£ 128.35

All Payments agreed proposed by Cllr Abbott seconded by Cllr Tranter
Members resolved to approve the schedule of payments. Unanimous.

87.FCM/10/24 **Finance Arrangements**

- I. Banking arrangements –. Clerk Reported Redwood 95 Day account actioned. CCLA forms to be signed by Cllr Palmer and Cllr Hussein.

- II. Budget Working Group. Clerk to set up WhatsApp Group for BWG and arrange meeting for end of October. Noted.

- 88.FCM/10/24 **Member updates from externally attended meetings**
None

- 89.FCM/10/24 **Clerks updates**
 - I. To consider recommendation for .gov email / domain hosting. It was RESOLVED to go ahead with moving to a new .gov domain and emails with Netwise. Clerk to initiate set up to start from January 2025.
 - II. Play area annual inspection scheduled for Dec 2024. Noted.

- 90.FCM/10/24 **The Bull Inn ACV**
No updates reported.

- 91.FCM/10/24 **Projects**
 - I. Village Sign – work to start imminently. Noted
 - II. Recreation Ground Container –. Deferred to November. Cllr White to report options for new container.

- 92.FCM/10/24 **Items to be considered for inclusion on the next Full Council agenda**
Recreation Ground Container / Footpaths.

- 93.FCM/10/24 **Date of next meeting**
Tuesday 5 November 2024.

- 94.FCM/10/24 **Meeting Close**
Meeting closed 19.50