

Fenny Compton Parish Council

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting Of Fenny Compton Parish Council Held at the Village Hall, Fenny Compton on Monday 17th May 2021 At 7.45pm

PRESENT: Parish Councillors: Jon Dutton in the Chair, Derek Carless, Alan Payne, David Johnson, Emma Briscoe, Sam Parkes and Roly Whear

IN ATTENDANCE: Parish Clerk Lydia Cox and Councillor Chris Kettle (Warwickshire County Council)

1 Apologies

Councillor Nigel Rock (District Council)

2 Acceptance of Minutes of Previous Meeting

The Minutes of the Ordinary meeting on 26th April 2021 (already circulated) were considered and the minutes were **agreed** (Proposed by Councillor Payne and seconded by Councillor Whear)

3 Declarations of Interest

Councillor Payne declared an interest in any discussions around HS2 due to employment

Councillors Payne and Johnson declared an interest in discussions about the bowls club due to being members

Councillor Whear declared a personal interest in planning application 21/01176/FUL

4 Requests for Dispensation

None

5 Open Forum

No members of the public were in attendance

6 Matters Arising from Previous Minutes

- (i) Orbit grass cutting – Councillor Rock has spoken to the deputy chief executive to clarify the apparently multiple land transfers SDC/WCC. No updates as yet
- (ii) Playing Fields – No progress has been made regarding a meeting with the Colts representatives
- (iii) Toddler Swings – Councillor Whear has looked at quotes for new playground equipment and quotes for new swings and/ or slide are very expensive. There has been enthusiastic interest from residents to form a group to look into updating the playground. Councillors welcomed this interest and agreed to form a separate committee. Councillor Parkes agreed to be on the committee. Clerk will contact those residents. Committee will be asked to agree a plan, look into fundraising and identify what is needed
- (iv) Traffic Management Proposals – WCC have now sent two proposals. The first being markings on the road outside the shop to reduce congestion. The second being a larger 'no lorry' sign at the war memorial to deter larger traffic turning into Church Street at Memorial Road. For maximum visibility, the sign would be on the grass verge, but this would be an obstruction, so another possibility would be next to the current signs (on posts against wall). Councillors unanimously **approved** to spend the quoted £615.09

Signed _____



Chair June 2021

129 | Page

Fenny Compton Parish Council

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting Of Fenny Compton Parish Council Held at the Village Hall, Fenny Compton on Monday 17th May 2021 At 7.45pm

- (v) Paving at Millennium Stone – Mick Jones has agreed to do the work
- (vi) Boundary Changes – No further updates as yet. Deadline is 18th June
- (vii) Neighbourhood Development Plan Aspirations Document – Councillor Johnson has written a first draft and will distribute to other Councillors before the next meeting. The document contains references to the Village Hall, Sports Field, Sports Pavilion, Traffic management and speeding from resident's responses to NDP surveys. Councillors noted that a lot of responses concerned the Village Hall but the parish council are not responsible for it so the document will be discussed with representatives of the VH committee

Councillor Kettle arrived at 20.05

- (viii) Speed limit change request Wharf Road/ Station Road – Councillor Johnson has received an unsatisfactory response from WCC stating that the speed limit would not be changed. Councillors discussed the issue with Councillor Kettle and will forward the details on to him for follow up

7 SDC Report

Councillor Rock submitted a report which can be found in Appendix C

WCC Report

Councillor Kettle joined the meeting to introduce himself. Councillors gave updates on speed limit changes, flooding issues in the village and speed watch. Councillors agreed to email Councillor Kettle with various updates to try and get projects moving

8 Correspondence

The meeting noted the following correspondence:

- Residents correspondence
 - Fallen tree on Fieldgate Lane
 - Tractors on Bridge Street
- Election Results
 - Election of a County Councillor for Feldon – Chris Kettle, Conservative
 - Police and Crime Commissioner Election – Warwickshire – Philip Seccombe, Conservative
- Remote Meetings Government call for evidence
 - Following the decision of the courts that the existing legislation does not allow for remote meetings to be lawfully held the Government is requesting a call for evidence about the future of remote meetings
 - Hybrid meetings (with some investment in equipment) could allow outside representatives to join a meeting remotely for their contribution – which may be for just one item on the agenda. They are more likely to attend and as no travelling is involved it helps with carbon emissions at the same time. It would also enable Councillors who might be ill or have childminding commitments to participate. Members of the public can see what is happening without going out on a cold night and ultimately it might encourage younger people to stand as councillors

Signed _____

Chair June 2021

130 | Page

Fenny Compton Parish Council

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting Of Fenny Compton Parish Council Held at the Village Hall, Fenny Compton on Monday 17th May 2021 At 7.45pm

- o Deadline is 17th June
- South Warwickshire Local Plan consultation event
 - o Stratford-on-Avon and Warwick District Councils are working together to produce a new South Warwickshire Local Plan to cover the combined geographic area
 - o The Plan sets out the strategy and identifies sites to meet future development needs in terms of housing, jobs, infrastructure and open spaces to 2050, while addressing the important issues of climate change, wellbeing, connectivity and biodiversity. The Local Plan will also set out the planning policies that the two Councils will use to assess applications for development
 - o The best way to view the consultation document is online at www.southwarwickshire.org.uk/swlp. This webpage also includes a summary leaflet and a short video explaining in detail what the consultation is about
 - o Information on how to comment is included within the consultation document itself and on the website
 - o The consultation on the Scoping and Call for Sites consultation runs from Monday 10 May to 5pm on Monday 21 June 2021

- (i) Fallen tree at Cotters Croft has been removed
- (ii) Councillors will draft letter to send to local farmers regarding the driving of tractors along Bridge street
- (iii) Call for evidence – Councillors agreed that remote meetings worked very well and would like to retain the option to meet virtually. Concern was expressed regarding hybrid meetings as we do not have the technology to enable this. Clerk will respond as such

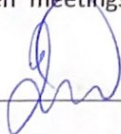
9 Planning

- (i) The following applications have been received for consideration since the last meeting:

<u>Reference</u>	<u>Consultation Expiry Date</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Proposal</u>
21/01191/VARY	13/05/2021	The Grange , The Slade, Fenny Compton, CV47 2YB	Vary Conditions 2 and 4 of planning permission 19/00883/FUL (date of decision 05/07/2019) to allow internal amendments (to allow 5 bedrooms) and alterations to the approved landscaping layout. (Original description of development: Application for full planning permission comprising the conversion of existing agricultural buildings to provide two residential dwellings).
21/01297/TREE	13/05/2021	The Grange , The Slade, Fenny Compton, CV47 2YB	G1 - Fir x6 – Remove
21/01176/FUL	02/06/2021	The Old School , Church Street, Fenny Compton, CV47 2YE	Change of Use from B1 (Design Workshop and Studio) to mixed use B1 and C3 (Live Work Unit)
17/03277/REM and 20/02701/REM	03/06/2021	Banbury Compton Limited, Station Works, Fenny Compton, Southam CV47 2XB	An amendment/additional information has been received for the application: Updated Site Plans, Materials Plans, Landscaping and POS drawings, Boundary Treatment Plan, Visibility Splays and Parking Plan. Affordable Housing Statement submitted.

Between meetings Councillors agreed to respond with 'no representation' for

Signed _____



Chair June 2021

131 | Page

Fenny Compton Parish Council

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting Of Fenny Compton Parish Council Held at the Village Hall, Fenny Compton on Monday 17th May 2021 At 7.45pm

applications 21/01191/VARY and 21/01297/TREE

Councillors agreed to respond with 'no representation' for application 21/01176/FUL

Compton Buildings – Councillor Dutton will draft a response for the two applications to cover flooding, traffic management and local resident priority concerns

(ii) The following decisions have been received since the last meeting:

<u>Reference</u>	<u>Decision Date</u>	<u>Status</u>	<u>Address</u>	<u>Proposal</u>
21/00576/TREE	05/05/2021	No Objection	Brooklands, Memorial Road, Fenny Compton, CV47 2XU	-T1 holly - Reduce crown by 1.5metres and provide 2.5metres clearance over footpath. -T2 thorn - Reduce crown by 1.5metres and provide 2.5metres clearance footpath.
21/00575/TREE	07/05/2021	No Objection	The Post House, Bridge Street, Fenny Compton, CV47 2XY	-T1 ash - 20% crown thin and lift lower crown by 1metre.

10 Financial Administration

(i) Councillors **approved** the following payments (Proposed by Councillor Parkes and seconded by Councillor Briscoe):

MAY_21_1_SO	Lydia Cox (Salary and Expenses May)	£ 314.80
MAY_21_2_SO	SDC (April Pension Contribution)	£ 98.27
MAY_21_3	Mick Jones (Grass cutting and maintenance)	£ 505.00
MAY_21_4_DD	Utility Warehouse (Sports Pavilion Electricity)	£ 1.70
MAY_21_5	Fenny Compton Bowls Club (Green bin)	£ 40.00
MAY_21_6	Frank Mann Farmers (Playing fields grass cut)	£ 347.40
MAY_21_7	Andrew Saunders (Tree works)	£ 120.00
MAY_21_8	Roly Whear (Reimburse for playground repairs)	£ 242.40
Total		£ 1,669.57

(ii) Councillors noted the bank balances and bank reconciliations (Appendix A & B) and **agreed** them

(iii) Councillor Dutton **approved** the 2020/2021 AGAR. The Exercise of Public Rights period will be 14 June – 23 July

(iv) Councillors discussed two insurance quotes that have been received, Zurich (current provider) and BHIB. Councillors **agreed** to move to BHIB with a 3 year deal

(v) Councillors discussed the first draft of the 3 year plan. Comments were made regarding further provision needed for the bowls club, playground and flood maintenance. These will be looked at in conjunction with the budget in December

11 Updates

(i) Flood Prevention – The village has free use of part of Hall Yard field for flood defence, a condition of this is that we 'maintain the apparatus'. The most practical way to cut the grass is for it to be grazed with sheep but at the moment it is not stock proof as part of the fence needs repairing. Clerk will contact Mick Jones to see if he will quote for the repair

Signed _____



Chair June 2021

132 | Page

Fenny Compton Parish Council

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting Of Fenny Compton Parish Council Held at the Village Hall, Fenny Compton on Monday 17th May 2021 At 7.45pm

- (ii) Trees – Clerk contacted Andrew Saunders to continue with the next stage of the tree works
- (iii) Playing Field – No further updates
- (iv) Neighbourhood Plan – The ‘Consultation Statement’ has been completed. Feedback from the consultant on the draft document has been received. The team are trying to understand why the feedback would be taken on board as it would result in re-consultation as major changes. The team will have a meeting with him and also get a second opinion. Work is also underway to understand how much more grant funding is available
- (v) Allotments – Lease registration is still with land registry
- (vi) Highways – No further updates
- (vii) Street Lighting – No 2 and 4 Fieldgate Lane street lights have been fixed
Councillors approved the quote for a lantern shield at Number 5 Cotters Croft subject to agreement that the shield will help the problem
Clerk to contact WCC to find out who is responsible for wooden ex-telegraph poles that now only have a street light. Are general inspections available?
- (viii) Traffic Calming – No further updates
Speedwatch – Waiting for the police to start training the volunteers
- (ix) Risk Assessments – Councillor Payne has undertaken the assessment for the bowls club. It is not in good condition. Electrical and water testing is needed and there is no fire safety certificate. There is also no formal arrangement between the Parish Council and bowls club regarding the division of responsibility
Councillors agreed that a wider discussion on strategy for bowls club, village hall and sports pavilion was needed including a feasibility study

12 Items to Publicise

- (i) Signage
- (ii) Compton Buildings
- (iii) Speed watch

13 Future Discussion

Future Strategy

14 Date of next meeting

The next meeting planned is an Ordinary Meeting scheduled for Monday 21st June

MEETING CLOSED 21.40

Signed _____



Chair June 2021

133 | Page

Fenny Compton Parish Council

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting Of Fenny Compton Parish Council Held at the Village Hall, Fenny Compton on Monday 17th May 2021 At 7.45pm

Appendix A

April Financial Administration

Balances: (See attached bank reconciliation)	£
30 Day Notice	910.76
12 Month Partial Withdrawal (High interest deposit):	
Cotters Croft	7,602.63
PC Balance	2,397.37
	10,000.00

Deposit	15,556.11
Traffic Management	2,135.82
Flood Relief Grant	2,510.00
WCC Flood Attenuation Grant	456.76
Over 8's Play Area	604.23
NP Plan Projects	177.83
Allotments	250.00
Defibrillator	2,122.06
Deposit Account	23,812.81
Current Account	12,545.47
Total Balances (See Bank Reconciliation)	<u>47,269.04</u>

Less Payments (See agenda item 10)	
Lydia Cox (Salary)	(314.80)
SDC (Pension Contribution)	(98.27)
Mick Jones (Grass cut)	(505.00)
FC Bowls Club (Bins)	(40.00)
Frank Mann (Playing Fields)	(347.40)
Andrew Saunders (Tree works)	(120.00)
Roly Whear (Playground repairs)	(242.40)
Utility Warehouse	(1.70)

Current Account	(1,669.57)
Total Balances carried forward	<u>45,599.47</u>

Signed _____



Chair June 2021

Fenny Compton Parish Council

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting Of Fenny Compton Parish Council Held at the Village Hall, Fenny Compton on Monday 17th May 2021 At 7.45pm

Appendix B

April Bank Reconciliation

Bank Balances	£
30 Day Notice	910.76
12 Month Partial Withdrawal	10,000.00
Deposit Account	23,812.81
Current Account	12,653.62
Less cheques outstanding	
2361 Utility Warehouse	(9.88)
SO Pension Contribution	(98.27)
Current Account	12,545.47
Total Bank	<u>47,269.04</u>
Cash Book Balance b/f	32,265.57
Add payments not processed:	
CPRE Membership	36.00
Add receipts since last meeting:	
Bank Interest	0.20
VAT Reclaim (20/21)	2,084.77
Precept	12,882.50
Total Cash Book	<u>47,269.04</u>

Appendix C - District Councillor for Napton and Fenny Compton Report

South Warwickshire Local Plan

Residents should have had a leaflet explaining that the Local Plan is under review and is to be replaced with a combined version with Warwick District. This is the document that is the basis for planning decisions. A combined approach is part of the move of closer working together between the two councils. The whole process lasts years, going through consultation and other technical stages. In the meantime you can see more information at www.southwarwickshire.org.uk/swlp. I would really recommend reading the Q&A section of that web page if you can. You will see there, that central government may yet change the rules and I fear this may mean local people losing what controls there are at the moment

Elections

Congratulations to Chris Kettle on winning the Feldon County Councillor election. Whilst in the election I supported my Lib Dem colleague, who came in second place, I have worked very well with Chris in the past and look forward to doing so in his new role. Many issues cross over between District council and County Council responsibility and I am sure we will continue in working together to the best interests of everyone. At the same time Philip Seccombe was re-elected as Police and Crime Commissioner for Warwickshire. Both of the winning candidates are conservatives

Signed _____



Chair June 2021

135 | Page

Fenny Compton Parish Council

Minutes of an Ordinary Meeting Of Fenny Compton Parish Council Held at the Village Hall, Fenny Compton on Monday 17th May 2021 At 7.45pm

Covid

Cases have remained pretty much stable for the last few weeks with an average of around 2 to 3 new cases a day across the district. The county numbers have also remained flat. During the month the gradual lifting of restrictions has continued, with various premises opening for constrained indoor gatherings.

One opportunity the Covid emergency has provided is remote working for all sorts of situations. This had applied to council and parish council meetings. That opportunity has now ceased because the government have not extended the regulations for council meetings to be remotely held. A court case to challenge the law has failed. So, from 17th May onwards all meetings must be face to face in a physical location i.e. no more virtual meetings. Physical access to meetings must be allowed for the public, subject to compliance with prevailing social distancing rules. This has implications for parish councils and planning meetings among others. The actual process has yet to be worked out. Whilst we are correctly being told to avoid indoor contact unless necessary, this state of affairs seems inconsistent and unwise to me.

The District Council will keep arrangements under review in the light of any emerging changes in Government guidance on public health risk.

Although we owe a huge debt to the scientists who have come up with the vaccine, the risk of variants is still around whilst there are high levels anywhere in the world, so I hope people can enjoy the relative freedom from restrictions, but still be careful

HS2

There is never really any good HS2 news for us, but there is perhaps some sign of a rethink regarding the A425 closure. HS2 had said it could take double the time to reopen the road from the 9 months closure declared. There is now an indication that the considerable pressure applied to HS2 from local councillors has had some effect. A plan is emerging that might reopen the road sooner than. I still doubt that considerable disruption will be avoided, but we await the details and hope for improvement.

Nigel Rock

Councillor for Napton and Fenny Compton Ward

nigel.rock@stratford-dc.gov.uk

07971 343065

Signed _____



Chair June 2021

136 | Page