

FULBROOK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING**Date:** 13th July 2021

7.00pm

Venue The Parish Church of St James**Present:** Councillors Mr Peter Burns (Chairman) PB
Mr Malcolm Taylor MT
Mr Robert Warner RW

Parish Clerk Mrs Sarah Ebeling

Parishioners attending: Filipa Ferreira

Apologies: WODC Councillor Mr D Cotterill
OCC Councillor Mr N Field-Johnson
Mr Mike Thompson MTN

For convenience the following abbreviations may be used in some instances in these Minutes.

FPC	Fulbrook Parish Council
OCC	Oxfordshire County Council
POF	Parishioners Open Forum
WODC	West Oxfordshire District Council
OALC	Oxfordshire Association of Local Councils
NALC	National Association of Local Councils
CHA	Cottsway Housing Association
TVP	Thames Valley Police

1 **Parishioners Participation**

1.1 **Question from Sophie Bainbridge:**

We have recently had someone apply for a new footpath on the basis that there is an historic path. I am trying to find information and I am hoping you might be able to put me in touch with someone who can help. I am trying to find out about the Fulbrook enclosure award and the California allotments on the Taynton Road.

No councillors had any knowledge of the Fulbrook enclosure award or the California allotments. Clerk to have a look through the files on the laptop to see if there was anything on their relating to them.

1.2 **Question from Corinne Titcomb:**

I have noticed an ever increasing amount of dog fouling particularly up Westwell Hill and along the main road where there are grass frontages. With reference to Westwell Hill there is not a dog bin at the top by the entrance to the footpath which might improve the situation. I appreciate we might have many tourists, particularly walkers, due to COVID but perhaps some signs might help?

WODC give Fulbrook a certain number of dog poo bins and we are up to that limit. We can look into the placement of all of them to see if they are in the best places throughout the village. Also we can look at obtaining some signs for Westwell Hill.

1.3 **Question from Dennis & Wendy Wilks**

We are becoming very worried that an accident will happen at the end of the lane - due to vehicles parking on the grass verge and bus stop area. This makes it very difficult to see the main road towards Burford when driving out of the lane. Is there anything that can be done to stop this please?

This is a matter discussed over several times over the years. Unfortunately, it is perfectly legal for cars to be parked on the grass verge which means that the Parish Council are unable to do anything to stop this from happening.

1.4 **Question from Paul Miller:**

Not sure if the PC could exert any pressure with SSE to fully resolve the recurring power outages in the village - in my mind as we all know we had one last night. They are not frequent but they are regular and seem unfair given our payments etc.

This isn't something the Parish Council can influence so would be unable to help with this problem. We can only suggest that individual houses make their complaints known directly to SSE – A few residents have already done this and are awaiting replies from them.

2 **Declaration of Interests**

There have been no changes to Councillors interests, and there were no interests to declare regarding items on the agenda.

3 **Minutes of Meeting held on May 4th 2021**

PB signed all the minutes from 2nd March 2020 – 4th May 2021 (this is due to meetings being via zoom during COVID restrictions).

4 **Matters arising**

4.1 **Salt bin damage**

The excess for claiming to repair the salt bin wall through the PC's insurance would be £250. It was decided that this would not be the way forward due to the cost of repair likely to be less than the excess charge.

BW to get a quote from Dave Wier for repair.

4.2 Over grown footpaths

OCC have now been seen cutting back the overgrown footpath by Meadow End, they may intend to do all the surrounding footpaths.

If the other footpaths have not been cleared, we can contact McCrackens to do these on their next visit.

4.3 Foliage trimming in the Play Park

There is a lot of overgrown foliage around all the fences surrounding the play park with some causing problems to the neighbouring bungalow.

Clerk to ask Andrew Titcomb to cut all these back when he next mows the grass.

5 Reports from County and District Councillors

No report from OCC Councillor Mr N Field-Johnson.

Report from WODC Councillor Mr D Cotterill:

The affordable houses on the Shilton Road development are now coming on stream. 13 were delivered in May and the remaining ones up to 45 total will be delivered between now and March 2022. I have written a piece for The Bridge which will state that those for affordable rent are 21 two bed houses and flats plus 11 3 bed houses. For shared ownership, that's mortgage to a max of 80% and rent, there are 4 two bed houses and 9 three bed houses. They will all be managed by Greensquare Accord and allocated by WODC. Anyone interested needs to be on WODC's Homeseeker Plus system.

Second point is that the application to extend the Burford Guildenford car park is in for its "fee go"..... the last throw of the dice. Letters of support would be appreciated and the details are on the WODC Planning website. The application number is 21/02110/FUL. Although the closing date for representations is 15th July late submissions are always accepted.

The hillside site, Coles Field is also subject to an application, 21/02343/OUT, and any objections gratefully received, send in to WODC.

6 Planning

Removal of existing garage and existing single storey rear extension. Proposed single storey rear extension and porch to the front of the property. Ref: 21/02069/HHD. **Approved**

Installation of replacement 15 metre mast including transfer of existing apparatus and installation of 3 no. additional antennas together with associated apparatus and ancillary works. Ref: 21/02000/FUL. **Awaiting decision.**

7 Speed Watch

New camera is up and running and now we can look into re-instating the Speedwatch programme. It was also suggested that we could look at adding 'Dragons Teeth' on the road as you enter the village.

**Clerk to email Maxine to find out how we go about obtaining the data from the new camera.
PB to email James at OCC highways regarding the 'Dragons Teeth'**

8 Amenities

BW discussed being approached by Angela Weller regarding organising an event next year for the Queens Platinum Jubilee. It was agreed that this would be done through the Parish Council and all the councillors are happy to be involved in the planning.

PB to compose an email to Angela Weller.

9 Play Park

9.1 Realistic Budget.

A budget of £10,000 has been agreed and the remainder of the money will need to be raised through fundraising.

PB to organise a meeting at the park to decide on the company/plans.

10 Financial Statement

10.1 Financial statement for April/June agreed at the meeting.

10.2 Audit for 2020/21 approved and signed by PB.

11 Climate Change

Nothing currently to report.

12 Date of next meeting

The next meeting of FPC will take place on Tuesday 14th September at 7:00pm to be held in the Parish Church of St James the Great.