

Fernwood Parish Council

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Minutes of the Meeting of Fernwood Parish Council held on Monday 30th November 2015 which commenced at 7.00pm at the Village Hall, Ruby's Avenue, Fernwood.

Present: Cllrs. J Weale, M Weale, A Barson, J Gould, B Smith, Dee Harrison, P. Murray, District Cllr N. Mison, County Cllr S. Saddington

1. Apologies for absence.
Cllrs I & K Walker
2. Declarations of interest.
None
3. Minutes of the meeting held on October 26th 2015.
The above was proposed by Cllr. B. Smith and seconded by Cllr. J. Gould that the Minutes were a true record and were unanimously agreed and duly signed by the Chairman.
4. Matters arising.
Cllr. B. Smith updated that the traffic tubes had been installed as requested by highways and they have now completed the trial and we are waiting for the report. Cllr. P. Murray reported that he had looked at different times in the day to assess the parking on Restfill way. The car parks are being used, it looks like the parking in the day issues are because there are no visitor spaces.
5. Chairman's report.
Cllr. J. Weale reported that the firework night was a success, there was a small issue with parking and some people were trying to park at the Tawny Owl but otherwise a good night. The First Port meeting has been postponed as there was no access to the venue. A reminder was given to start thinking about the precept and the setting of the budgets in January.
6. Chairman of the Fernwood Residents Association (FRA) report
None
7. County Councillor and District Councillors' reports:
Cllr. S. Saddington reported that she had had a letter from Highways England regarding the problems on the A1 and A46, they have suggested some short term measures, including widening the islands. A meeting with the Police confirmed the following: The officers for Nottinghamshire will reduce from 2400 to 1675 and 70 PCSO's will be made redundant. It will be announced on the 8th December which PCSO's will have which area. Assurances were given that PC's are put on as and when needed and they are targeting Cybercrime and child exploitation. Burglaries

need reporting straight away and not to be left until later. 30% of the people who commit crime do not live in Nottinghamshire.

Cllr. Saddington has asked for some measures to be included in the local transport plan to reduce speed. The Council asked if Cllr Saddington can help campaign for buses.

Cllr N. Mison reported that the Hydro pool is likely to go to the planning committee in New Year. Cllr Mison recently attended the safe guarding presentation and that it was advised to report any suspected wrong doing towards Adult or Children however small it may seem as it could be part of a bigger jigsaw. Cllr Mison will also be attending a meeting this week to discuss Devolution. The talks are in the early stages of setting budgets and the decision will be in March and February for County Council.

8. Fernwood Parish Council Village Hall Committee (VHMC)review

A paper was submitted to vote on the new VHMC which included Cllr. B Smith as the new chair and a forum of 3 councillors including the chair. The above was proposed by Cllr. J. Weale and seconded by Cllr. J. Gould and agreed unanimously

9. NSDC consultation for the Local Development Framework Plan

The Parish Councillors had filled out the questions after reading the review and it was agreed that the Clerk, Chairman and vice chairman to collate and put together as one submission

10. Strategy group feedback/recommendations

a. An update on the Neighbourhood plan

A meeting was held on Thursday 26th November and the information is now being collated

c. An update on the OM strategy group

Due to the meeting being cancelled there was no update. A new date has been given as the 16th December but First port have asked if it would be better to hold the meeting in January instead.

11. Planning Applications

a. 15/02095/FUL

No objection as long as consideration is given to the parking

12. Exempt Item Staffing Issue.

The press and public in accordance with the public bodies (admissions to meetings) Act 1960 section 1 will not be permitted to stay for this item

A matter was discussed and resolved

13. Correspondence

- a. An email regarding volunteering for litter picking – No objections as long as it is on adopted areas only
- b. An email from Cllr. Saddington regarding A1 ,A46 and around Newark traffic issues - Noted
- c. Copy of a letter to NSDC re Devolution – The Parish council would like to develop and keep the points of contact open
- d. Boundary Review final recommendations - Noted
- e. An email from PC Stannard re key individuals – Home numbers only
- f. An email and reply regarding a potential abandoned car – Cllr. Gould to email an information sheet to the Clerk so this can be passed on

14. Clerks Report

- a. Location of salt bins within Fernwood
The council were shown a picture of the proposed locations recommended by County council and all were in agreement.
- b. Cost of additional Dog bins for Thomas Road & Apple Avenue
The Clerk asked Boundary builders for a quotation who offered to do the work for free
- c. Feedback on the Fernwood firework display
The feedback has been very positive as per other years
- d. Training
The Clerk advised that she and the caretaker would like to look into some training especially on Health & Safety
- e. Precept and budget preparations for 2016/17
A reminder as per the chair as well earlier that the budget and precept needs to be set in January

15. Bills for payment

See list attached

16. Councillors reports

Cllr. Gould reported that the renovated room at the village hall looks good.
Cllr. B. Smith reported that the next youth club meeting will be on the 19th December and a flyer has gone out.
Cllr J. Gould and Cllr P. Murray are in the process of finishing the scoping report.
Cllr. A. Barson has not yet managed to speak to someone at BT Open reach but he has now come across a possible contact.

The next meeting will be held on Monday 18th January 2015 starting at 19.00 at the Fernwood village hall.