

FARNHAM WITH STRATFORD ST ANDREW PARISH COUNCIL  
Minutes of the meeting held Monday 11 April 2022 at the Riverside Centre

Present: Councillors Ian Norman, Gordon Gilbert, Rosemary Conibeer, Tim Plant, Jill Pass, Michael Light

Apologies: Richard Ayres, Annabel Warne, Andrew Reid (SCC), Carol Poulter (ESC)

In attendance: Parish clerk Debbi Tayler, one member of the public, EDF representatives

**1 Apologies**

Apologies were received from Councillors Warne, Ayres, Poulter and Reid.

**2 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**3 Minutes of meeting held 14 March 2022**

The minutes of the meeting were unanimously approved and signed.

**4 Presentation by EDF regarding The Sizewell C Project**

The presentation by Tom McGarry and Andy Mower was a general update prior to the decision by the Secretary of State for BEIS at the end of May. There was also information on the Deed of Obligation that sets out the financial obligations to be implemented. These include a Community Fund and Environment Deed. The DoO is signed off by the SCC, ESC and EDF. The governance arrangements include a Transport Review Group, the council will be consulted directly in matters relating to the proposed Two Village Bypass. The presentation slides and Consolidated Transport Assessment will be forwarded to the clerk.

**5 Questions from the public**

There were no questions.

**6 Reports from County and District Councillors**

A report from Councillor Reid had been circulated.

**7 Clerk's Report**

The correspondence log was circulated prior to the meeting. The clerk advised she will also be the clerk for Great Glemham Parish Council from this month. This will be a good opportunity for collaboration between neighbouring parishes. There is now another untenanted allotment as Mr Clark has advised he will no longer be farming it. As there is currently no waiting list the clerk has advertised the plot in the parish magazine.

**8 RFO's report**

The clerk presented the Certificate of Exemption to be approved for the external auditor, PKF Littlejohn. It was agreed that the criteria for exemption were met and the certificate was approved and signed.

On 31 March there was £5568.46 in the council's bank account, this is the amount to be carried forward into the 22/23 accounts.

There were four invoices for approval.

Signed .....(Chair)

Date.....

Clerk's salary	£228.10	Legal power
PAYE Month 1	£56.80	LGA 1972 s.112
SALC subscription	£145.86	LGA 1972 s.112
SALC audit training	£12.00	LGA 1972 s.111
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There were no receipts. The invoices were approved. The balance is now £5125.70. The clerk will present the audit papers at the next meeting.

**9 Planning application – 1 Corner Cottages, Main Road, Stratford St Andrew**

This is retrospective planning application for replacement windows and doors in a Grade II listed building. There were no objections.

**10 Queen's Platinum Jubilee**

Councillor Plant attended the recent meeting and advised arrangements were progressing well. Councillor Norman and Mrs Norman have planted the Trebilee oak tree at the front of the Riverside and will ask Mr Noy to dedicate the tree. Mr Conibeer asked the council for permission to purchase and install a plaque for the Platinum Jubilee for the bench near Farnham Church. The bench has the other jubilee plaques already and it was felt this would be a welcome addition. The Conibeers were thanked for their kind offer.

**10 Reports from external meetings**

There were no other external meetings.

**11 Items for future meetings**

Update regarding the Queen's Platinum Jubilee celebrations, audit, budget v expenditure report.

The meeting was closed at 21.27.

Signed .....(Chair)

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