

FARNHAM WITH STRATFORD ST ANDREW PARISH COUNCIL  
Minutes of the meeting held Monday 13 March 2023 at the Riverside Centre

Present: Councillors Ian Norman, Richard Ayres, Rosemary Conibeer, Annabel Warne, Tim Plant

Apologies: Richard Sayer, Jill Pass

In attendance: Parish clerk Debbi Tayler

**1 Apologies**

Apologies were received and accepted from Councillors Sayer and Pass.

**2 Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

**4 Minutes of meetings held 13 February 2023**

The minutes of the meeting were unanimously approved and signed.

Councillor Norman advised that the water manhole cover opposite Main Farm has been badly damaged. The clerk will report it to SCC.

**5 Questions from the public**

Councillor Norman advised the churchyard gates need replacing in order to allow cars to park inside the churchyard. The work will be done by local volunteers. It was suggested that the funding could come from the Community Infrastructure Levy and Councillor Norman has had advice from ESC to say this would be within the criteria for spending this funding. The cost is just over £500. The proposal was proposed by Councillor Conibeer, seconded by Councillor Ayres and agreed unanimously.

**6 Reports from County and District Councillors**

No reports were submitted.

**7 Election of Vice Chair**

Councillor Conibeer was unanimously voted as the new Vice Chair.

**8 Clerk's Report**

The correspondence log was circulated prior to the meeting.

It was agreed that Suffolk Coastal Norse will be asked to continue with grass cutting and maintenance of the bus shelters.

**9 RFO's report**

At present there is £7214.4 in the council's bank account. There were three invoices for approval.

Clerk's salary	£176.08	Legal power
PAYE Month 12	£44.00	LGA 1972 s.112
New laptop & software	£564.77	LGA 1972 s.112
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The invoices were approved. There were no receipts. The balance is now £6005.87. There are still issues with Barclays and the mandate.

Signed .....(Chair)

Date.....

**9 Completion of election nomination forms**

Forms were completed for those present and the clerk will deliver these to ESC on 4 April.

**10 Reports from external meetings**

Councillor Conibeer has attended a further Coronation Committee meeting with members of the Riverside Committee. After some discussion it was agreed that the PC will pay for a tree and a plaque to be planted at the Riverside. In addition the PC will make a donation of £400 towards the cost of celebrations. This was proposed by Councillor Norman, seconded by Councillor Ayres and unanimously agreed. It was also agreed that the clerk will obtain details of Coronations coins for children which she will send to the council by email.

**13 Items for future meetings**

Audit information.

The meeting was closed at 21.25.

Signed .....(Chair)

Date.....