

FARNHAM WITH STRATFORD ST ANDREW PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Annual Meeting held Monday 15 May 2023 at the Riverside Centre

Present: Councillors Ian Norman, Rosemary Conibeer, Annabel Warne, Tim Plant, Richard Sayer, Jill Pass

Apologies: Andrew Reid (SCC), Richard Ayres

In attendance: Parish clerk Debbi Tayler, two members of the public

1 Election of Chair

Councillor Pass nominated Ian Norman as Chair, this was seconded by Councillor Conibeer and unanimously approved. Councillor Norman signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office.

2 Election of Deputy Chair

Councillor Norman nominated Councillor Conibeer as deputy chair, this was seconded by Councillor Plant and unanimously approved.

3 Apologies

There were apologies from Councillor Ayres who was away on business, this was approved.

4 Co-option to Casual Vacancy

Two applications had been received for the vacancy of a parish councillor for Farnham, from Gary Hunter and Jeremy Williams. There was a vote and Jeremy Williams was successful, he signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office and Councillor Norman welcomed him to the council.

5 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

6 Minutes of meetings held 17 April 2023

The minutes of the meeting were unanimously approved and signed. Graham Evans has expressed an interest in the post of Tree Warden, it was agreed he will be invited to the next meeting. It was agreed that the celebrations for the King's Coronation had gone very well. Thanks to be given to the Riverside Centre, Steve and Dolores Horner and all those involved. £360 from the raffle was donated to the Prince's Trust, all prizes were donated by the Riverside Centre.

7 Questions from the public

There were no questions.

8 Reports from County and District Councillors

Andrew Reid's report had been circulated. The clerk will write to ESC regarding their annual report. Sally Noble, Green Party, will be our new district councillor, the clerk will send her our meeting dates.

9 Clerk's Report

The correspondence log was circulated prior to the meeting.

Signed(Chair)

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The clerk reported that she has tendered her resignation to the chair and the post will be advertised via SALC. The council thanked the clerk for all her work.

10 RFO's report

At present there is £9803.67 in the council's bank account. There were three invoices for approval.

Clerk's salary	£141.84	Legal power
PAYE Month 2	£94.40	LGA 1972 s.112
Security software	£29.99	LGA 1972 s.112
		LGA 1972 s.111

The invoices were approved. The precept payment of £4500 has been paid. The balance is now £9537.44.

11 Expenditure v budget report 2022/23

The clerk presented the report that shows 92.5% of the budget was spent in the year but only 48.7% of the available funds.

12 Items for future meetings

Audit information. Tree Warden

The meeting was closed at 21.00.

Signed(Chair)

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