

Minutes of the Meeting of Framfield Parish Council held at the Memorial Hall, Framfield, on Tuesday, 25 September 2012 at 7.30 pm

Present	Maria Naylor (Chairman) Richard Brocklebank Myran Eade Peter Friend Jeff Goggin (Vice Chair)	Jeff Groves John Mordaunt Rob Newton Ian Paisley
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In attendance	Ann Newton - Clerk	Members of the Public – one. Members of the Press – none.
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Prior to the commencement of the meeting members of the public and County and District Representatives were invited to address the Parish Council.

(The minutes are detailed in the order in which they appeared on the agenda but not necessarily the order in which they were taken at the meeting. A copy of all the reports mentioned will be attached to the minutes for the minute book).

1. Apologies for Absence

Selina Allen and Councillor Chris Dowling (ESCC). Rob Newton voiced his intention to stand down as Vice Chair.

2. Election of a Vice Chair

Rob Newton nominated Jeff Goggin for the position. This was seconded by Myran Eade and agreed by all present. There were no other nominations.

3. Declarations of Interest

Councillors to give notice of declarations of personal and prejudicial interests in respect of items on the agenda. Rob Newton declared a prejudicial interest in the items under the Finance section of the agenda relating to the Clerk, the Clerk being his wife.

4. Minutes of the Last Meeting for Approval

It was agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 31 July 2012 having been circulated, be approved, adopted and signed as a correct record. (JM/RN).

5. Matters Arising from the Minutes

Some items were dealt with under other appropriate headings below.

PC 094	Guideposts. The outcome of the meeting with ESCC is awaited. <u>ACTION: PC 105 – CLERK.</u>
PC 095	Village signs – quotes are on their way. <u>ACTION: PC 106 – CLERK.</u>
PC 096	Changes to street-lighting in the Wealden area – Clerk to contact ESCC to clarify the issue. <u>ACTION: PC 107 – CLERK.</u>
PC 097	Victim Support – Clerk to advise the group that the Council only consider requests at the end of the financial year and that donations are only usually made to organisations within the Parish. This had been done.
PC 098	Grounds maintenance contract 2013-15 – to be discussed at the next FGP meeting. This had been done.
PC 099	Hall hire rates – to be discussed at the next FGP meeting. This had been done.
PC 100	Planning – delegated comments to be sent to WDC on one application. This had been done.
PC 101	Maria Naylor to reply to a resident regarding the condition of Framfield play area. This had been done.
PC 102	Framfield recreation ground gate – Clerk to write to the FF & BB Horticultural Society asking for a contribution towards the cost. This had been done and a cheque for approximately 50% of the cost is awaited.

PC 103	Framfield recreation ground – bag of sand. Clerk to ask if the bag belongs to the football clubs. Clerk to contact Mark Moore. ACTION: PC 108 – CLERK.
PC 104	Play area inspection report – Maria Naylor offered to look at the report for Framfield. This had been done.

6. Correspondence received since the last meeting

Letters for noting/discussion – most items were from pending matters and dealt with under separate headings.

WDC

- WDC – Consultation upon the CIL Preliminary Draft Charging Schedule.
- WDC – Parish Conference – 24 October 2012. The Clerk to advise WDC that no one would be attending from the Council. **ACTION: PC 109 – CLERK.**
- ESCC – changes to the Highways Steward.

7. Finance and General Purposes:

- **FGP Committee Report** – all Councillors were in receipt of the minutes from the meeting held on 19 September 2012. Councillors to resolve to adopt recommendations. Representation was made by Myran Eade against the proposal to reduce the cricket square and for the suggestion that the refurbishment project will not go out to tender unless sufficient funds are available for the first phases – he stated that the Cricket Club have £26,000 available but possibly more once the costs are known. The suggestion was made that that the Club address these issues when the letter is written to them when building regulations etc have been completed. Maria Naylor then proposed that the meeting vote en block for the recommendations as detailed in the FGP minutes dated 19 September 2012. This was proposed for adoption by Jeff Goggin, seconded by John Mordaunt and agreed by all present except Myran Eade who did not vote and had declared a personal/prejudicial interest in the matter.
- Schedule of expenditure as at 31 August 2012 – this was adopted as read. (JG/JM).
- Formal agreement of the August/September 2012 payments/disbursements – itemised below. This was agreed for payment by John Goggin, seconded by John Mordaunt and agreed by all present.

<u>Cheques already paid in August</u>	£
Arbor Management (grounds maintenance)	1,044.53
Tiger Fencing (alterations to gate on FF recreation ground) – VOIDED*	438.00
Kevin Berry (alterations to gate on FF recreation ground)	438.00
Blackboys Trust (Hall hire)	8.00
British Telecom plc (telephone account – shared 50/50 with EHwHPC – paid by DD)	204.60
Jan Riddle, RFO	XX.XX
Ann Newton, Clerk	XX.XX
<i>Both salaries paid net of deductions.</i>	
HMRC: Tax and NI payments for Clerk/RFO	XX.XX

<u>Cheques to pay</u>	
Alison O'Sullivan (Internal Auditor)	115.40
CPRE (annual subscription)	29.00
Blackboys Trust (charity dividends)	272.59
Jan Riddle, RFO	XX.XX
Ann Newton, Clerk	XX.XX
<i>Both salaries paid net of deductions.</i>	
HMRC: Tax and NI payments for Clerk/RFO	XX.XX
Blackboys Trust (allotment rents)	854.10
Framfield Recreation Ground Trust Allotment Fund Account (allotment rents)	230.00

<u>Cheques received</u>	
Charity dividends	272.59

*Void Cheques etc

Tiger Fencing cheque returned and re-issued to Kevin Berry.

Bank Balances as at 31 August 2012

Current Account	£11,736.43
Deposit Account	£107.66

8. Reports from Committees

- **Planning** - the Planning Committee minutes for the meetings held since the last meeting have been circulated.
 - Resolution to alter the sequence of Committee meetings to monthly, prior to each Trust/PC meeting. This had been adopted within the recommendations detailed in the FGP minutes.
- **Environment** – resolution to subsume the Committee to within the Parish Council’s general business until such a time that the Committee needs to again convene in its own right. This had also been adopted via the FGP report.

9. Reports from Representatives

Schools:

- Framfield – There was nothing to report – items had been detailed in the Framfield Trust meeting.
- Blackboys – The Clerk reported that the collaboration appeared to have got off to a good start between the two schools.

10. Any Other Business at the Discretion of the Chairman

There was none.

The meeting closed at 8 pm.

Chairman..... Date

***NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING:
Tuesday, 30 October 2012, at the Village Hall, Blackboys,
commencing at 7.30 pm.***