

# Minutes of the Meeting of Framfield Parish Council held at the Memorial Hall, Framfield, on Tuesday, 29 April 2014 at 7.30pm

**Present** Jeff Goggin (Chairman) Myran Eade  
Selina Allen Peter Friend  
Keith Brandon Rob Newton

**In attendance** Ann Newton - Clerk Members of the Public – none.  
Members of the Press – none.

*Prior to the commencement of the meeting members of the public and County and District Representatives are invited to address the Parish Council if present.*

*(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).*

**Councillor Ann Newton (WDC)** reported that she had received a letter from South East Water regarding the water main replacement work in Eastbourne Road and Palehouse Common. She further commented on the WDC Strategic Sites Examination which will take place in June as part of the next stage of the Local Plan.

## 1. Apologies for Absence

Maria Naylor (Vice Chairman). Councillor Chris Dowling (ESCC)

## 2. Declarations of Interest

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

## 3. Minutes of the Last Meeting for Approval

It was agreed that the minutes of the meeting held on 25 March 2014 having been circulated, be approved, adopted and signed as a correct record. (PF/JG).

## 4. Matters Arising from the Minutes

*Some items were dealt with under other appropriate headings below.*

- Casual Vacancies. Keith Brandon was in attendance voicing his interest in joining the Council. He was subsequently proposed for co-option onto the Council by Rob Newton, seconded by Selina Allen and agreed by all present. He was welcomed on board. He handed his completed Declaration of Office and Register of Interests form to the Clerk for countersignature. The Clerk stated that she would update WDC and the PC website etc. **ACTION: PC 032 – CLERK.**
- Road Safety Week. The Clerk reported that she had now met with the District Commander for the Fire Service (Mani Gilbert-King) who had organised the Road Safety Week. Mani had written a report of her findings. ESCC would also be producing a report following on from the petition from Framfield School. This process would probably take about three months but should conclude with details of ESCC's findings/solutions to the problems. The Clerk also reported that she was waiting to hear from ESCC regarding the email concerning Glen Swire's proposals for a Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS) on the Blackboys Road. **ACTION: PC 033 – ESCC/CLERK.**
- Provision of a defibrillator in both Halls. The Clerk stated that she would be investigating possibilities using the WDC Community Dividend. **ACTION: ANN NEWTON.**

PC 024	Clerk was asked to contact Brian Banks with regard to the proposal by Glen Swire to install a VAS on the Blackboys Road, Framfield. This had
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	been done and news was awaited as detailed above.
PC 025	Clerk to write to John Mordaunt thanking him for his service to the Parish. This had been done.
PC 026	Guideposts – decisions to be made on replacements once the end of year financial situation is known. Update if available. The Clerk reported that she had earmarked four posts for replacement, obtained quotes from an approved contractor, contacted one of the would-be sponsors and arranged a meeting with ESCC regarding the licensing to the Council of the sites. Further sponsors could be contacted when the full details were known. <b><u>ACTION: PC 034 – CLERK.</u></b>
PC 027	Clerk to ask local carpenter for a replacement back board on the Blackboys noticeboard. This was still to be done. <b><u>ACTION: PC 035 – CLERK.</u></b>
PC 028	Clerk to contact the PCSO again regarding the car repair business at Easons Green. Jeff Goggin stated that he had met with the PCSO and Clerk to discuss the issues in this area and Brookhouse Lane. With regard to Framfield, they felt there was little they could do but would be looking at the Easons Green problem once the Clerk had again liaised with ESCC over the damage to the verges. <b><u>ACTION: PC 036 – CLERK.</u></b>
PC 029	Clerk requested to apply for the loan to enable the play area refurbishment – update. The Clerk reported that the funds were in the bank. Selina Allen and the Clerk had met with Chris Thompson of Wicksteed and a further meeting was to be held in May with an approximate start date of the beginning of June. The entire works should only take a month so that the new equipment will be in place for the summer school holidays. The Clerk stated that she would be obtaining competitive quotes for the alterations to the fencing and bark chippings required. <b><u>ACTION: PC 037 – CLERK.</u></b>
PC 030	Bank signatories – Jeff Goggin and Peter Friend to take the relevant identification paperwork to the bank. This had been done but the Clerk was unsure if the bank had yet processed the mandate. <b><u>ACTION: PC 038 – CLERK.</u></b>
PC 031	World War I Commemorative leaflet/exhibition – update. Detailed on Framfield Trust minutes.

## 5. Correspondence received since the last meeting

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

## 6. Finance and General Purposes:

- Schedule of expenditure as at 31 March 2014 – this was adopted as read. (SA/JG).
- Formal agreement of the April 2014 payments/disbursements – itemised below. This was agreed for payment by Selina Allen, seconded by Peter Friend and agreed by all present.

<u>Payments to make in 2013/15 financial year</u>	£
WDC (dog bin emptying – Jan/March 2014)	249.48
Blackboys Trust (Hall hire)	12.00

<u>Payments to make in April (2014/15 financial year)</u>	£
East Sussex ALC Ltd (annual subscription)	514.23
Custom Gardens (urgent tree works to rear of Framfield School)	400.00
Jan Riddle, RFO	XX.XX
Ann Newton, Clerk	XX.XX
HMRC: March tax and NI payments for Clerk/RFO	XX.XX

### Cheques received

East Hoathly with Halland Parish Council (internet/phone a/c) - £226.16  
Wayleave payments - £115.42

### Bank Balances as at 31 March 2014

Current Account £17,397.63

Deposit Account    £107.73.

## 7. Reports from Committees

- **Planning** – there was Planning Committee meeting scheduled for prior to the Council meeting when the minutes for the last meeting would have been adopted.

## 8. Reports from Representatives

- **Schools:**
  - Framfield – Selina Allen stated that although she was no longer the official Governor Representative she would act as a conduit until someone else took on the role.
  - Blackboys – nothing to report.
- **Police Panel meeting** – Selina Allen reported that a meeting was scheduled for the following day.
- **WDALC** – there had not been a meeting.

## 9. Any Other matters for reporting at the Discretion of the Chairman

- Annual Parish Meeting. The Clerk reminded everyone that the meeting was arranged for 8 pm on Tuesday, 27 May 2014.
- Parish Magazine. The meeting asked the Clerk to convey their thanks to Derek Thorogood who had just retired from co-ordinating the delivery of the magazine.  
**ACTION: PC 039 – CLERK.**
- Myran Eade commented on the complaints he had received on loose dogs on Framfield recreation ground.

*The meeting closed at 8.45 pm.*

**Chairman**.....

**Date** .....

***NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING (the AGM):  
Tuesday, 27 May 2014, at the Village Hall, Blackboys,  
commencing at 7.30 pm.  
This will be followed by the  
Annual Parish Assembly at 8 pm.***