

Findern Parish Council
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**MINUTES OF FINDERN PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 10TH APRIL 2014 AT FINDERN
PARISH ROOMS COMMENCING AT 7.00PM**

Present:

Cllr Hudson (in the Chair)
Cllr Nash, Cllr Bell, Cllr Johnson, Cllr Woodhouse. Cllr Nurse and Cllr Parnell

13 members of the public were also in attendance at the meeting.

AGENDA

PART I – NON EXEMPT INFORMATION

1. Minute Number 1241/14 - To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Williamson.

2. Minute Number 1242/14 - Co-Option of a Councillor - 2 x vacancies

There was nothing to report.

3. Minute Number 1243/14 - Variation of the Order of Business

There were no Variations to the Order of Business.

4. Minute Number 1244/14 - Declaration of Members Interests.

Resolved: Cllr Hudson Declare a Personal and Prejudicial Interest in Item 10. Planning Matters for Discussion, item a) - 9/2014/0277 - 12 LOWER GREEN FINDERN DERBY DERBYSHIRE DE65 6AD - THE ERECTION OF AN EXTENSION

Resolved: Cllr Woodhouse declared a Personal and Prejudicial Interest in item 9 Clerks Report, item k) – Purchase of new strimmers.

5. Minute Number 1245/14 - Public Speaking – (10 Minutes)

Minute Number 1245/14/A – Public Speaking

Members of the public raised the following matters:

- Anna Cooper Chairperson of Findern PTFA gave her report. (Please see the attachments at the end of the minutes).
- Another Member of the Public asked if agreed, could the Parish Council also consider installing a Defibrillator at the Parish Rooms as well as at the school.
- Mary Goodall reported that Dave Tidy and Mark Hodgkinson had installed the new post at the weekend. David Jones had completed the white painting of the posts around the Village Green, however he had noticed that a few of the posts were rotten. Once David Jones has completed painting the posts around the Green, he will move onto the ones outside the Parish Rooms, however most of these were rotten too. – **It was agreed that the Clerk would add this matter to the agenda for May 2014.**
- Mary Goodall asked the Council if she could have permission to put up a gazebo on the Village Green with regards to the church. – **Mary Goodall was given permission to do this by Findern Parish Council.**
- It was reported that the dog bin on Hillside Playing Field still had a damaged lid – **The Clerk to chase this matter up with SDDC.**

- Cllr Nash asked if the Historical Group could have permission to plant poppy seeds on the King George Playing Field – **Cllr Nash was given permission to inform the Historical Group that they did have permission to do this.**
- A resident urged the Council to formulate a substantial and robust objection to the planning application for the Wheel Public House. It was stated that the proposal was at odds with what was wanted in the village and would cast a cloud over the village.

Minute Number 1245/14/B – Police Representatives Report

There were no Police Representatives Present at the meeting and there was nothing to report.

Minute Number 1245/14/C – District Council Representatives Report

Cllr Hood gave her apologies, there was nothing to report.

Minute Number 1245/14/D – County Council Representatives Report

Cllr Ford gave his apologies, the Clerk read out his report as follows:

- The Wheel Public House had been sold to contractors and it would close as a pub in a weeks' time.

6. Minute Number 1246/14 - To confirm the Non-Exempt Minutes of the Findern Parish Council Meeting held on 13th March 2014.

Resolved: The Non-Exempt Minutes of the Findern Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 13th March 2014 having been circulated were approved and signed as a true record.

The Clerk thanked Cllr Bell very much for checking the minutes and correcting her spelling mistakes.

7. Minute Number 1247/14 - To determine which items if any from Part 1 of the Agenda should be taken with the public excluded.

Resolved: No item from Part 1 of the agenda was taken with the Public excluded.

8. Minute Number 1248/14 - Chairman's report

The Chair gave his report as follows:

- He gave thanks to Cllr Williamson for standing in as Chair at the March 2014 Parish Council Meeting.
- He was sorry to see the removal of the Recycling Centre from the car park at the Wheel Public House. However the effect of the new green bins has been very positive.
- The ongoing activities of the Footpaths Group were great. They would be hosting the Dawn Chorus during the summer which should be excellent.
- He was delighted that the Footpaths Group had established links with his University.
- He congratulated the great work of the Payback Team.
- He thanked Mary Goodall for all her hard work and support with the village planters.
- He was concerned with the proposal to turn the Wheel Public House into a Funeral Parlour. The Wheel Public House is the only pub within the centre of the village and has been a good place for people to congregate. The Wheel is essential to village life and plays a crucial role, if this asset is lost it could blight village life.
- He was very impressed with the presentation on the village defibrillators.

9. Minute Number 1249/14 - Report of the Parish Clerk

- a) Parish Council Website – Previously reported under minute number 1355/13, 1409/13, 1427/14, 1212/14, 1231/14 – Clerks Report

Cllr Nurse explained that Devmac were struggling to obtain the domain name from the previous webmaster.

- b) Update on the missing Burton Road Sign – previously reported under minute number 1334/13 – Public Speaking and 1355/13, 1409/13, 1427/14, 1212/14, 1231/14 – Clerk Report

It was reported that the Burton Road sign had been replaced from Doles Lane to Burton Road but not the Burton Road Sign by the roundabout.

Resolved: The Clerk to continue to chase this matter.

- c) Approval of the Newsletter

Resolved: The Clerk to email the Newsletter to all Councillors for approval. Once approved the Clerk to let Cllr Nurse know so that it can go to the printers.

Cllr Nurse thanked Liz Froggatt for very kindly volunteering to complete the newsletter for both the Footpaths Group and Findern Parish Council.

- d) Bus Shelter by the garden centre – update

Resolved: Cllr Woodhouse was given delegated powers to speak to the residents that would be affected by the new bus shelter.

Resolved: Cllr Woodhouse to email the Clerk the outcome of the conversations.

Resolved: If the surrounding residents are in agreement. The Clerk to place the order for the installation of the bus shelter.

- e) Request to have a defibrillator at the Findern Parish Rooms and Findern School.

It was reported that although the PTFA had put this forward. It would be for the whole community to access if needed.

Resolved: Findern Parish Council agreed to spend £5k on the installation of 2 defibrillators as per the above.

Resolved: Cllr Nurse was given delegated powers to liaise with Hanna to spend £5k Hanna Cooper over this matter.

- f) Hillside Playing Field

It was reported that some residents were wishing to set up a Friends of Hillside Playing Field Group. The Parish Council were asked if they would reopen dialogue with SDDC on this matter with a letter of support for the Friends of Hillside Playing Group.

Resolved: The Clerk to email Zoe Sewter at SDDC explaining that the Parish Council would support a Friends of Hillside Playing Field.

- g) Village Planters – Previously reported under minute number 1213/14

Resolved: Standing Orders were suspended to allow Mary Goodall to speak.

Mary Goodall reported that the planter installed on the corner of Heath Lane/Willington Road would be looked after and maintained by Mr Paul Bellamy.

Mary Goodall had been to see Toons to obtain a quote for the plants some of which would be permanent. The cost of the plants would be £268.25 excluding VAT. However she was unable to source the shrubs from Toons. Cllr Woodhouse replied that he would be happy to donate the shrubs required and would speak to Mary directly on this matter.

Resolved: Standing Orders were reinstated.

Resolved: Findern Parish Council agreed to spend £268.25 plus VAT for the purchase of the plants.

Resolved: Cllr Woodhouse was given delegated powers to liaise with Mary Goodall with regards to the delivery of the planters.

- h) Adoption of new Standing Orders, New financial regulations and a new Internal Control Policy.

Resolved: Findern Parish Council agreed to adopt the new Standing Orders, Financial Regulations and Internal Control Policy.

- i) Charity Commission – Submission of the Annual Return for the King George Playing Field – has been completed

There was nothing further to report.

- j) Doles Lane Brook update

The Clerk had spoken to Chris Payne at SDDC and report the update as follows:

- Fallen tree has been cleared to the rear of 32 Doles Lane.
- Fallen tree has been cleared just down from Hazel Close.
- Resident at number 17 Doles Lane has a retaining wall which is in a poor state but this is not impeding the water flow.
- SDDC have written to all residents asking them to report any blockages.
- Clearing work is completed on Bakeacre Lane as required.
- Burton Road Culvert has been cleared as per a complaint by Cllr Ford
- Vegetation work on Doles Lane will be completed once the water levels lower and once SDDC have their new budget in place.

- k) Purchase of new trimmers

Resolved: Cllr Woodhouse had already declared a Personal and Prejudicial Interest and left the room.

Resolved: Standing Orders were suspended to allow members of the Footpaths Group to Speak.

Members of the Footpaths Group explained what trimmers were required and which supplier they wanted to use and why.

Resolved: Standing Orders were reinstated.

Resolved: It was agreed that the Clerk would email the Councillors not including Cllr Woodhouse the quotes.

Resolved: The Councillors to email the Clerk with which quote should be accepted.

Resolved: The Clerk to go with the majority of the votes and then place the order for the trimmers immediately.

10. Minute Number 1250/14 - Planning Matters for Decision

- a) 9/2014/0277 - 12 LOWER GREEN FINDERN DERBY DERBYSHIRE DE65 6AD - THE ERECTION OF AN EXTENSION

Resolved: Cllr Hudson had already declared a Personal and Prejudicial Interest in the above item and left the room.

Resolved: Findern Parish Council had no objections to the above planning application.

- b) 9/2014/0265 - 27 & 29 HILLSIDE FINDERN DERBY DERBYSHIRE DE65 6AZ - THE ERECTION OF EXTENSIONS

Resolved: Findern Parish Council had no objections to the above planning application.

- c) 9/2014/0209 - 31 HILLSIDE FINDERN DERBY DERBYSHIRE DE65 6AZ - THE ERECTION OF EXTENSION AND ALTERATIONS

Resolved: Findern Parish Council had no objections to the above planning application.

- d) 9/2014/0286 - 25 THE WHEEL INN MAIN STREET FINDERN DERBY DERBYSHIRE DE65 6AG - APPLICATION FOR A LAWFUL DEVELOPMENT CERTIFICATE FOR A CHANGE OF USE FROM CLASS A4 (DRINKING ESTABLISHMENT) TO CLASS A1 (FUNERAL DIRECTOR

Resolved: Standing orders were suspended to allow members of the public to speak as follows:

- It was thought that there was a covenant on the property for the next 15 years to keep it as a Public House.
- The contracts had been signed today between the owner and the contractors.
- It was discussed that an asset claim should be made on the building by community. However the community would then need to raise the money to purchase the property and this could be as much as £200k to £400K.
- It was reported that Punch Tavern were prepared to put up £100k to refurbish the Public House, however they could not find a manager and this fell through.
- It was reported that rumors were that the Public House was actually sold last year.
- A resident reported that a meeting had taken place with Cllr Ford and a form had been signed with regards to the community value and to try and make an asset claim for the community.
- It was reported that a campaign would be set up by residents called Save The Wheel Campaign.
- It was reported that Cllr Ford would be taking forward the community bid for the property.
- A resident reported that highways would not have an issue with traffic in this area as the Public House attracted more traffic than a funeral home would.

Resolved: Standing Orders were reinstated.

The Clerk explained that the Parish Council could only object on sound planning grounds and to say that it is not wanted in Findern would not work in this instance.

Resolved: Findern Parish Council objected to the above application on the grounds of road safety and highway issues of large slow moving vehicles entering/exiting the highway on a busy blind bend. There could also be issues of danger for the school children walking past the entrance/exit going to and from school.

The Wheel Public House is the only pub within the centre of the village which is easily accessible to all including disabled people. It is a good community asset and the Parish Council does not want to lose this.

The Parish Council would also like to know why notices have not been put on the lampposts around the village informing the residents of this proposed change of use.

The Council would also ask, that this planning application be put before the Planning Committee and not given delegated powers to pass the application without a full investigation and consideration being completed.

Resolved: Cllr Nurse was given delegated powers to prepare a flyer to be delivered to all households within the Village.

Resolved: Cllr Bell, Cllr Parnell, Cllr Woodhouse and a resident agreed to help deliver the leaflets once completed. Everyone agreed to meet at the Parish Rooms on Monday 14.04.2014 at 10am to collect the leaflets for delivery and a route planner.

11. Minute Number 1251/14 - Committee Reports

- a. Parish Room Management Committee
 - i. Findern Village Hall – permission to use the green and the garden to the front of the Parish Rooms for the Fete 9am to 5pm.

Resolved: Findern Parish Council gave permission for the Village Hall to use the Village Green and the garden at the Parish Rooms for the Village Fete from 9am to 5pm.

- ii. Open Gardens for the Church permission to use Green and gazebo

Resolved: Findern Parish Council gave permission to Mary Goodall at the meeting to use the Village Green and to erect a gazebo.

- b. Footpaths Committee – Held on 03.04.2014

Cllr Johnson read out the Footpath Group report as follows:

We are pleased to report that all projects are progressing well. We shall soon be meeting a student from Derby University who will be re-presenting our walks leaflets as part of their 'Go Volunteer' programme. We shall shortly be having a meeting with the staff at Mercia Marina who are helping us to present our Parish map as the pocket sized leaflet that visitors to Findern have been asking for.

Our Flower Power project is awaiting a Cultivation licence from DCC before seeding with a poppy mix near Heath Lane, similarly permission is awaited for a similar area in Brook Close. Hopefully, the area near King George V playing field will be seeded soon. This seeding will commemorate the terrible loss of life from WW1.

April 1 brings the beginning of the summer-long butterfly transect which is undertaken here for Butterfly Conservation. Results from late summer were most encouraging both here in Findern and nationally with many species starting to recover from decline. Derby Bat Conservation inspected our bat boxes last week, with improving usage of our boxes.

Thanks to the Community Payback Team all seats have now been painted and the pond platform cleaned ready for the summer! Additionally, we shall be installing our kissing gates along Priory Way next month, as well as installing the new information board for the Jubilee Wood, which has been donated by Central Midlands Coop.

We are continuing to work with Findern Primary School to improve their school grounds. The children have drawn up an action plan and are 'ready to go' as soon as the necessary funds have been acquired. The group are delighted by the enthusiasm of the children and by the warm welcome they have received.

This is a busy time and also an exciting one. Please continue to support us to ensure success with our ongoing projects.

Cllr Johnson reported that the Footpaths Group were working very hard on limited funds. He asked the Parish Council if they would agree to help with the purchase of the seeds and plants required for the Flower Power Project. The Footpaths Group were looking for a £500.00 from the Parish Council.

Resolved: The Clerk to add this matter to the agenda for May 2014.

The Clerk reported a serious accident on land next to Bridle Path 11. The Clerk explained that she had called in the Environmental Officer from SDDC to look into what was deemed to be tipping on the site which was privately owned. It was thought that the site may be being used as a waste transfer site by DCC.



The Clerk reported that the Environmental Health Officer fell whilst on the site splitting his head open and breaking his ankle. The Health and Safety Executive had also been called in due to the serious nature of the accident. The Clerk explained that had a member of the Footpaths Group not have been with him on her request the outcome does not bear thinking about. The Officer is now recovering at home and will be off work for at least 6 weeks.

Resolved: The Clerk to send a get well card to the Officer involved.

12. Minute Number 1252/14 - Reports from Councillor's that have attended any other Meetings.

a) Toyota Community Liaison Committee
There was nothing to report.

b) Village Hall

a) Request for Findern Parish Council to give third party contribution of £153.98 towards a Biffa Application to replace the floor.

Resolved: Findern Parish Council agreed to pledge £158.987 towards the Biffa Application.

Resolved: The Clerk to send a letter of support agreeing to pledge the £153.98 as agreed.

c) Other meetings attended
There was nothing to report.

d) Notification of forthcoming meetings

a) SDDC – Joint Meeting with Parish Councils/Meeting 30.04.2014 in the Council Chambers at SDDC commencing at 6.30pm

Resolved: Cllr Johnson to attend on behalf of Findern Parish Council.

13. Minute Number 1253/14 - Finance

Resolved: Findern Parish Council noted the following payment.

a) Items for Payment

Cheque No	Payee	Description	Amount
002293 TO 002296		SALARIES TAX AND NICS	£652.04
002297	L FROGGATT	PETROL FOR MOWER	£7.56
002298	P HAWKER	MAINTENANCE	£50.00
002299	SDDC	FIT AND FILL GRIT BIN & LITTER BIN INSTALLATION	£903.72
002300	FINDERN VILLAGE HALL	ROOM HIRE	£56.00

14. Minute Number 1254/14 - Items for discussion

There was nothing to report.

15. Minute Number 1255/14 - Items for Information

Resolved: Findern Parish Council noted the following information.

- a) SDDC – Pre-Submission Local plan Part 1
- b) SDDC – press release – Local youngsters grow in Eureka Park
- c) SDDC – press release – Volunteer Walk Leader Training
- d) Sharpe's Pottery Museum – Standby your mixing bowl t Sharpe's Pottery Museum
- e) SDDC – Area Forum and Safer Neighbourhood Dates May/June 2014
- f) SDDC – press release – Final Consultation on the Local Plan
- g) SDDC – press release – It's the final countdown for Sports Relief 2014, join in the fun and games
- h) SDDC – press release – Photocall 10.03.2014 at Maurice Lea Memorial Park from 10am
- i) Clerk and Council Direct Magazine March 2014
- j) Toyota – Together newsletter

16. Minute Number 1256/14 - Derbyshire Association of Local Councils

Resolved: Findern Parish Council noted the following information.

- k) Circular 05/2014
- DALC Subscription Renewals
- NALC Policy Consultation PC01-14

- Quality Council Scheme Portfolios
 - Are you satisfied with your bank and banking arrangements?
 - The Big Allotment Challenge
 - Clerk Vacancy – Clipstone Parish Council, Mansfield
- l) Circular 06/2014
 - Repeal of s.150(5) Local Government Act 1972 – Implementation (England)
 - Ways to pay PAYE/NICs: HMRC Expectations
 - Accounting for Council Tax Support Grant in a Council's Annual Return
 - CIL Demystified
 - HMRC Employment Allowance
 - Local Audit and Accountability Act 2014

17. Minute Number 1257/14 - Date of the next Parish Council Meeting to be confirmed

Resolved: The next meeting of Findern Parish Council was confirmed as 8th May 2014 as follows:

- a) ***Annual Findern Parish Council Meeting commencing at 6.30pm at the Findern Parish Rooms***
- b) ***Monthly Findern Parish Council Meeting commencing at 7pm at the Findern Parish Rooms.***

Resolved: In view of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted, it was advisable in the public interest, that the press and public be temporarily excluded and were instructed to withdraw from the meeting.

Agenda Part 2 – Exempt Information

Minute Number 1258/14 – Exempt Information

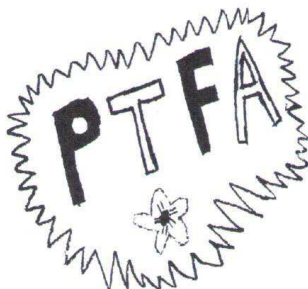
a) Bank Mandate update
There was nothing to report.

b) Electricity Supply on the Green
Cllr Woodhouse had contacted Western Power but as of today's date had not received a reply. Cllr Woodhouse replied that he would chase this up.

c) Booking Clerk/Caretaker Vacancy
Resolved: The Chair to contact Cllr Williamson directly to set up interviews.
Resolved: The Clerk to email all Applications for the vacancy to the Chair and Cllr Williamson for their information once received.

d) Parish Room security update
It was reported that the Alarm was now working, the CCTV had been installed and the signs for the CCTV would be installed shortly.

Signed.....Dated.....



Findern Primary Parents Teacher Friends Association

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To Findern Parrish Council,

Findern Primary School serves the community of Findern and surrounding areas. We currently have 135 children attending. Although the school is small, we have a large amount of visitors daily, most of which are parents, carers and grandparents dropping off children in the mornings and picking up at the end of the day. There are also many sporting activities that take place during and after school. Visitors are invited to attend school for various events such as school fairs, assemblies, and fundraising activities. There is always the possibility that someone may become ill and need medical attention.

Cardiac arrhythmias can happen to anyone, young or old. If someone has a cardiac arrest, time to defibrillation is crucial in saving someone's life.

Minutes count, and although the ambulance service have targeted response times, they cannot account for high demand, bad weather, floods, etc. If an ambulance can't get to the school, a defibrillator could mean the difference between life and death. For every minute without a defibrillator, the chance of survival decreases by 23%. The UK resuscitation council states there should be a defibrillator wherever medical treatment is more than five minutes away.

The PTFA, in agreement with the head teacher and governors, would like to be able to provide a defibrillator on the school site so that should someone suffer a cardiac arrest, there is equipment on hand to provide immediate support. This is in the form of an Automated External Defibrillator (AED). This is a small defibrillator that anyone can use, whether you are trained or not. It has instructions on it and once switched on, it tells you what to do.

The aim would be to have it mounted in a casing, accessed via a keypad, within the school site. If it could be mounted outside, then this may be accessed by other users, i.e. walkers along the canal, Nadee, Buckford lane residents. This means that when there is a cardiac arrest, a person rings 999 to call for help. The ambulance control would then give out a code to enter into the keypad to release the AED, which means that whilst the AED is being used, help is also on the way.

The Community Heartbeat Trust (CHT) is a registered charity that helps communities install AED's in their area. They will liaise with the local ambulance service to help install an AED that is compatible with local service equipment to ensure continuity of care. They help provide training and advice throughout the process. Depending on the type of AED needed, it will likely cost around £2500, £500 of which, may be funded by CHT. The total cost covers the AED, the vandal proof casing and training. I have contacted the CHT and am awaiting a visit from them to assess our needs and give a quote. The CHT liaise with the ambulance service and the equipment is signed off by them only when they are happy.

More information can be found at www.communityheartbeat.org.uk.

To raise that amount of money would take PTFA some time, therefore we are appealing to the Parrish Council to help us fund this vital equipment that will help the local community and save lives.

Thank you for your time,

Kind regards,

Mrs Anna Cooper Chairperson Findern PTFA