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MINUTES FOR EXTRAORDINARY MEETING OF FARNHILL PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THURSDAY 8^{TH} AUGUST 2024 AT 7.30PM IN KILDWICK/FARNHILL INSTITUTE.

BUSINESS

ATENDEES: CHAIR CLLR J.WARING, VICE CHAIR CLLR S.CLOSE, CLLRS D.ATKINSON, J. WALTON, NYC REPRESENTATIVE, CLERK J.FIELDHOUSE

108/24 APOLOGIES, REASON FOR ABSENCE AND ACCEPTANCE OF REASON

Apologies and reason provided by Cllr. W. MCDONALD and perspective Cllr. Ann-Marie It was resolved that all apologies and reasons are accepted.

109/24 <u>PUBLIC PARTICIPATION (MAXIMUM 15MINS)</u>

None

110/24 DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

None

111/24 EMAILS RECEIVED FROM RESIDENTS

All Councillors have reviewed the emails of concerns raised by residents regarding washing lines and the maintenance contractor.

112/24 <u>MAINTENANCE CONTRACT</u>

After an extensive discussion it was resolved that there are two main subjects that require addressing from this meeting.

Issue 1. What we do for the remainder of this year (3month realistically) – it was resolved that the remaining pathway needs to be cleared on Arbour, weedkiller price to be covered by the Parish and signs up by all three entrances and the footpath that's not passable to keep off the Arbour steps for safety purposes. Priorities for next 3 months were marked on the map and will be shown to the landscaper. It has been narrowed down to 5 areas as priorities to keep UpToDate during the next 3 months. Chair will draft an email tomorrow and share with all Councillors regarding the work going forward with the current contractor. Clerk to ask for renewal insurance certificate from August.

Issue 2. The washing line on the Arbour. It has been pointed out by residents that this area is dangerous and one of the poles are unstable. Upon a site visit by all Councillors and Clerk it was resolved that unfortunately the only way we can reassure public safety is by removing the poles eliminating the need for residents to attempt access to this area until we have further funding in place to make the terrain safe. Removal of washing lines will be placed on Facebook due to safety issues.

Cllr Joy will draft a letter to speak regarding the same at the next meeting. What we want to do next year is to put the contract up for tendor. We are to look into contractors and/or employing a layman for the village??

DATE OF NEXT FPC MEETING

THURSDAY 22 AUGUST 2024 IN KILDWICK/FARNHILL INSTITUTE AT 7.30PM ALL MEMBERS OF THE VILLAGE ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND

Clerk 01.08.2024

<u>Items for the agenda for next month: Approval of minutes of previous meeting, Clerks Report, Development Plan, Highways, NYCC Street Lighting, Lease, Tree issues within Farnhill, Maintenance Contractor Canal & River Trust Update, Budgets and Finances.</u>