



**MINUTES of the MEETING of FEERING PARISH COUNCIL held on
TUESDAY 20th. June 2017 at 7.30pm in the PARISH COUNCIL OFFICE, FEERING
COMMUNITY CENTRE**

Present: Cllr P. Lees (Chairman), Cllr M. Lakin, Cllr C. Newton, Cllr M. Eddolls, Cllr H. Edwards,
Cllr R. Carpenter, Cllr K. Evans and Kevin Money (Clerk to the Council).

Members of the Public: 0

070/2017 Chairman Welcome. The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

071/2017 Apologies for Absence were received from ECC & DC R. Mitchell, Cllr M. Bonner &
Cllr L. Blackburn (on Parish Council business).

072/2017 Declaration of Interest

To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary, Pecuniary or non-Pecuniary Interest relating to items
on the Agenda

Cllr M. Lakin declared an interest in the FCA item on the agenda and the Two Villages Voluntary
Association.

Cllr H. Edwards declared an interest in the Two Villages Voluntary Association.

073/2017 To approve the Minutes of the last meeting of Feering Parish Council

To receive and agree the minutes of the last meeting held on 16th. May 2017

Cllr M. Lakin proposed and Cllr C. Newton seconded that the minutes are a true and accurate
record of the meeting. **This was agreed unanimously**

074/2017 Public Participation Session

The Chairman invited questions and observations from members of the public present.
A maximum time of 15 minutes was allowed. There were no questions from the public

075/2017 Report from " District & Essex County Councillor" – Cllr R. Mitchell.

No report was given

076/2017 Clerks Report

- Update on new Parish Council noticeboard – Planning application to be submitted with
cheque 21.06.17. The clerk informed the meeting that the planning application needed to have
been applied for before the noticeboard can be erected. This had now been completed and would
go to BDC with the cheque tomorrow.

- Defibrillator – Awards for All application & Application to DC R. Mitchell submitted
The clerk informed the meeting that a 24 page "Awards for All" grant application had been
completed and submitted. The response could take up to 4 months to come back. The clerk also
informed the meeting that the Braintree District Community Grants, Cllr R. Mitchell, had been
successful and a grant of £1000 had been achieved.

- Update on raising the Profile of FPC

- a. Facebook – Cllr C. Newton. Nothing to report

- b. Website. Nothing to report

- Winter Salt bag scheme 2017/18

The Clerk informed the meeting that the 2017/18 Winter salt bag scheme had been received and that following an inspection in the portacabin there is sufficient salt to cover this year's winter. This scheme will be reviewed for the 2018/19 winter.

- Handyman update from last meeting

a. Jobs completed – Mower quotations Councillors agreed to apply to CIF Emergency application for a new mower. **This was agreed unanimously.** The clerk was asked to contact BDC to cut Parish grass.

Repaired the fencing around the Pond with new posts installed and fence nailed to new and existing posts. Grass mowed in Coggeshall Road, Feering Hill, Triangles end of New Lane, Outside Church Farm, End of Taylors Field. The hedge has been cut on both sides at the recreation ground. Rafted path cleared. Cleared weeds around dog bin in Worlds End Lane. Cut hedge outside Office, emptied all bins in village, removed weeds from play equipment on recreation ground.

Any issues to report for action

Cut around all bins. Triangle grass to be cut again. Trees on Bridge meadow needs cutting back. Footpath 16 strimming needs. Watermill Lane. Coggeshall Road / London road trees overhanging onto footpath (ECC dangerous).

077/2017 Planning Matters

- Report and minutes of Planning Meeting held on 23rd. May 2017 (previously circulated to Councillors) and 20th. June 2017 (pending planning applications) – Cllr K. Evans had nothing further to report.

078/2017 Highways & Transport

- VTAG report from Cllr M. Bonner. No report given.
- A12 & A120 Community Forum meeting update from Cllr K. Evans. Nothing to report
- Councillors to report any issues on Transport / Refuse to BDC and/or ECC. The clerk was asked to write to ECC and Highways England regarding the night road closure of the A12 and A120 and the same time from 19.06.17 for about 1 month.
- Network Rail crossing closures update by Cllr K. Evans. The clerk had already circulated the FPC response to Network Rail.

079/2017 Representative Reports

- FCA Management meeting – Cllr M. Lakin informed the meeting that the Management minutes had been circulated at the meeting. Many activities are going on during the summer period. The Curry bingo night was cancelled due to lack of interest. Health & Safety on the site. Did the PC do the H&S check? The clerk confirmed that it is not the PC responsibility to do H&S checks on the premises. It is down to the FCA. The Council proposed that the H&S check that the FCA carry out that a copy of the report should be supplied to the Council. Councillors also asked, "When was the last time a H&S check was carried out"? Cllr R. Carpenter asked, and the Councillors agreed, to have a H&S item placed on the FPC agenda on a regular basis.

- Neighbourhood Plan update from Cllr L. Blackburn. Cllr P. Lees informed the meeting that a number of young people who use Facebook and twitter was very encouraging. The ACOM meeting on Friday was positive.

- BDC Local plan meeting/response update from Cllr K. Evans had already been circulated to Councillors before the meeting
- EALC / BALC report from Cllr H. Edwards. EALC was putting pressure on NALC to sell its building. All EALC expenses are lower than last year. The budget is being tightened up this year. 1 Council had not re-joined EALC last year. The H&S policy is being reviewed. Cllr Mike Page has retired. Basildon has a massive problem with fly-tipping.
- PRoW & Cycleway Committee report from Cllr K. Evans. No meeting has taken
- Pathway from Glebe Gardens to Church from Cllr M. Lakin. Nothing now to report on this issue
- Playing Field Committee meeting from Cllr P. Lees. Nothing to report but a meeting is being scheduled
- Feering School Academy Committee report from Cllr P. Lees. The FCA and FPC had a meeting today. The meeting was very positive. The FCA needs to be involved with the Jt. User Agreement. The school have a copy of the MUGA lease. Further information to Councillors will be given when the sub committee meet the school again (no date has been set yet).

080/2017 Finance

- The Bank balances as at 31st. May 2017 and 2017/18 budget account was circulated to Councillors at the meeting. The RFO had previously circulated to Councillors prior to the meeting the bank account balances and budget figures.
- Councillors to agree payment of June 2017 finances
Cllr M. Eddolls proposed and Cllr R. Carpenter seconded that the June payments be authorised for payment. **This was agreed unanimously**

081/2017 Items for Next Agenda

- H&S item on future agendas
- Asbestos check into Community Centre
- Response to NP
- Councillor cheque signing – Finance meeting to be arranged
- Playing Field meeting to be arranged

Date of Next Full Council meeting Tuesday 18th. July 2017 at 7.30pm

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.20pm and thanked everyone for attending

Signed.....18th. July 2017
Paul Lees