

Minutes of Monkton Farleigh Parish Council Meeting in the Village Hall Garden 9/09/2020 at 7.00pm

Present: M. Midlane [Chair], A. Moodie, R. McDonald, J. Spiers, B. Marlowe
E. Warrington and S. Rowe [Clerk]

Also present: Trevor Carbin and Johnny Kidney

1. Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest.

There were apologies from A Tucker there were no declarations of interest.

2. Minutes of Meeting dated 29/07/20 approved and signed by M. Midlane.

The Clerk will have issued these Minutes to ensure that all Councillors have received their copy.

3. Matters Arising

The library in Bradford-on-Avon is now open for returns and pre ordered books.

More gel bags are on order in case of flooding.

The kissing gate is not going ahead.

4. Report from Trevor Carbin

The road to South Wraxall is now repaired and re-opened.

Wiltshire Council are planning new Area Board boundaries for implementation in May 2021.

5. Village Speed Limits update

Liz Watts briefed the Area Transport group on her ideas to reduce the speed limit throughout Monkton Farleigh. The Councillors have been sent notes on the main details of her proposals.

The Area Transport group have offered to get Atkins to do a detailed consultation about traffic and speed in Monkton Farleigh. Atkins are a specialist Highways consultant.

After some discussion, it was felt that this would be data analysis rather than the wider issue of speeding traffic in the community and it is quite expensive so it was agreed that we wouldn't go ahead with this for the time being.

6. Update on Playgrounds

Playdale are coming to do a site visit in the next couple of days.

It was agreed to go ahead and buy a new zip wire seat.

7. Update on the new Website

The new website is nearly ready to go live. The clerk will complete populating the website and then close the old website. It was agreed to send round a flier to advertise the new website when it is ready.

8. Post Office and Pub update

The Post Office was not profitable when it was in the pub before lock down so it is unlikely to be restarted.

The pub is open and the food is good.

9. Coronavirus Update

Currently there is no new developments but the rule of 6 means that the next Parish Council meeting will have to be conducted on line.

10. Current Financial Status

There is currently £9798.15 in the bank. The clerk will claim back VAT from goods and services bought in the last 3 years.

11. Work for the Parish Steward

Check and unblock all the drains especially those in Broadstones

12. Parish Matters

The drystone wall in Broadstones has not yet been repaired and it is getting worse.

M. Midlane will contact Andrew Cadwallader about putting a hand rail on one side of the steps leading down to Broadstones as they often get mossy and slippery, he will also ask about the drains in Broadstones and what can be done to stop the flooding.

13. Date of Next Meeting

21st October 2020