**Monkton Farleigh Parish Council**

**Minutes**

**Wednesday 2nd November 2022 at 7pm**

Those attending: Eleanor Warrington (Chair), Jane Ghali (Clerk), Tom Firbank, Pauline Adams, Joy Spiers, Andrew Tucker, Brian Marlow, Sally Rowe

1. Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest.

There were apologies from Rachael Macdonald, Johnny Kidney.  There were no declarations of interest.

1. Minutes of Meeting 2nd Sept 2022

Approved and signed by E. Warrington. The Clerk will have issued these minutes to ensure that all Councillors have received their copy.

1. Matters arising

RM went to meeting about getting an extra Councillor and SR got an email from the Community Governance Review confirming that the consultation is ongoing.

SR to check prices of signs to slow traffic £340 sign, paint SLOW on road £150.

SR to contact Kirsty Rose (Highways) to see if SLOW sign is both ways on road.

SR to chase Sir Charles about money for Jubilee mugs

1. Report Johnny Kidney – not present
2. Coffee Morning Group – request for funding for monthly lunch provision for residents during winter – SR think they are asking for £100. They need to confirm, but general agreement in principle.

BM suggested that the government might offer grants to provide warm spaces eg libraries/churches. Possible that the Village Hall would be suitable for this.

Villagers are invited to use the church as a communal space for events, not to compete with the village hall, but as an alternative space. The church has installed new heaters.

There was some discussion about using the monthly lunches to coincide with food donations being available, further discussion required.

1. Planning application **PL/2022/07434** - 5 Bath Road, Farleigh Wick BA15 2PU. Proposed demolition of existing one storey sections of dwelling and replacement with new one and two storey extension.

The Clerk hasn’t received any objections and there were no objections from members of the Parish Council.

1. Parking outside the school

Two Police Community Support Officers (PCSOs) came to the village to check how far cars were parked from junctions. Some warning tickets were issued. They went to the school and asked some people to move their cars. There was suggestion that a PC or Traffic officer help with enforcements. Everyone needs to park legally.

Charlotte from Lookout contacted EW– there were incidents of staff get verbal abuse from villagers about where they parked. The Lookout want to have good relationships with their neighbours.

EW to follow up with 101 about parking

1. Speed limits update – haven’t heard any more – still waiting for review of report – PA to chase up.
2. Noticeboards – SR has had quote for 3 plain boards (no legs) for £1,800 for 3 boards from Steven Calpin. He would also like half cost of battery drill £100 as he’s not charging for his time. There is a large crack in wall at Farleigh Wick – not sure how easy it will be to attach, consider erecting opposite by postbox, a board here would need legs. Steve is just making boards not erecting. Ask Adie Moodie if he can help. Agreed to go ahead with 3 boards SR to email Steve to confirm, they will be outside school, at Farleigh Wick and Farleigh Rise.
3. New clerk and handing over – JG and SR to work together until Dec when JG will take over. JG to start being paid from 27 October2022. The precept needs to be sorted out at the next meeting. EW and BM signed banking mandate for JG to be added. SR staying on it until JG details gone through.
4. RoSPA playground inspection – they said that they couldn’t inspect the zip line unless it was fully dismantled, suggest checking once a year, this had been done this year. Playdale can inspect for£260 but more money than RoSPA (£96.60). They suggested we put warning signs. AT to look at mending bolt. Framework to bark chippings broken, SR to get piece of wood, AT to help install. SR has toddler swing.
5. Finance - £6,205 in act, approx. £2k will go on noticeboards. New Precept in April. SR to send BACS details to JS to forward to Sir Charles
6. Work for Parish Steward – leaves and make sure drains are clear. Trim by the barn on road out to A363.
7. Parish Matters – street light outside Old Rectory is obstructed, making it dark– maybe Dave Badder’s trees – AT will talk to him.

BM – wants to ask Faresaver bus to go up to the Rise. Ask Johnny Kidney at next meeting.

JS – graffiti on some of the road sign. SR has graffiti removal solvent which might work on metal. SR to take to JS or ask Parish Steward

Phone box still needs doing – might be better to wait until the Spring

1. Date of next meeting – Wednesday 14th December at the Village Hall and afterwards to the pub to thank SR for all of her hard work.