

# FARRINGDON PARISH COUNCIL

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Meeting of the Village Hall Charitable Trust (VHCT) on 23<sup>rd</sup> May 2018 at 7pm.

## Present:

From the start: Mr Clive Elderton in the Chair, Mr Peter Durrant, Mrs Nadine Farris, Mr Hugh Bevan, Mrs Anne Charrington, representing the All Saints Parochial Church Committee and the Parish Clerk and Secretary Mrs Claire Gibbs. In addition, Ms Alison Ledesma and Mr Richard Ray joined the meeting shortly before the end of the meeting.

## MINUTES

### 01/18 TO RECEIVE AND APPROVE APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE AND WELCOME

The Chair, Parish Councillor, Clive Elderton, welcomed those present to the meeting.

Apologies were received from Ms Ledesma, Mr Batley, Mr Ray and Mr Mossman. A proposal was received, seconded and voted in favour of accepting the apologies received.

**RESOLVED:** That the apologies received be accepted.

### 02/18 TO APPROVE THE APPOINTMENT OF MRS CLAIRE GIBBS, THE PARISH CLERK, AS HONORARY TREASURER OF THE VILLAGE HALL CHARITABLE TRUST (VHCT)

The job description of the Parish Clerk of Farringdon includes the appointments of Honorary Secretary and Treasurer (the "Secretary and Treasurer") to the VHCT. It was proposed that Mrs Claire Gibbs now assume the duties of honorary treasurer and take over from Mr David Horton who was thanked for acting as Treasurer in recent years.

The Chair proposed the appointment of the Parish Clerk, Mrs Claire Gibbs, as the Honorary Treasurer of the VHCT, Mr Durrant seconded and all the remaining trustees approved the appointment.

**RESOLVED:** the appointment of Mrs Claire Gibbs, the Parish Clerk, as Honorary Treasurer to the VHCT was approved.

### 03/18 UPDATE ON THE NEW VILLAGE HALL PROJECT

Mr Durrant updated the meeting on the progress of the new Village Hall project. For much of the last year, the Village Hall working group had been in negotiation with local land owners.

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Previously the land near All Saints Church had been investigated as a potential site, however, due the restrictions presented by the large number of root protection areas it had been concluded, after professional advice, that the available area was too small for a viable hall and this option has now been dropped. Mr Elderton thanked the Church for their patience, time and for the work that had been undertaken to assist the new Village Hall project.

(Ms Ledesma joined the meeting at this point (at 7:25pm), Mr Ray a few minutes later (at 7:30pm).)

Work was now focussed on an alternative site and a joint proposal is now being worked up with the landowner with a view to an early pre-planning application submission.

**RESOLVED:** The progress on the new Village Hall project be noted.

The meeting ended at 7:40pm.