

**FLAX BOURTON PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL, FLAX BOURTON  
TUESDAY 14 FEBRUARY 2012**

Meeting Commenced: 8.00 pm

Meeting Concluded: 9.10 pm

**PRESENT:** Councillors: Higgins (Chairman), Windo (Vice Chairman), Mrs Moss, Phillips & Lillington.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** District Councillor Coombs.

**118) Apologies for absence.** District Councillor Mrs Barclay.

**119) Declarations of Interest.** None.

**120) To approve and sign the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 10 January 2012.**

**RESOLVED:** Proposed by Councillor Mrs Moss, seconded by Councillor Higgins and agreed the minutes be approved. A vote was taken. All in favour.

**121) Financial Reports**  
**To approve the monthly expenditure**  
**To approve the Bank Reconciliation.**  
**To approve the Budgetary Control Report**

**RESOLVED:** That the three regular monthly reports be taken en bloc and it was proposed by Councillor Higgins, seconded by Councillor Lillington and agreed that the reports be approved. A vote was taken. All in favour.

**122) Planning & Development – To agree on any comments / objections on the following planning applications:**

**12/P/0082/F – Peel House, Old Weston Road.** Change of use to create 4 x new dwellings with erection of 4 x double garages.

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Windo had visited the site and it was agreed that the Council had no objections to the above application.

**To receive any further updates or information on Planning and Development within North Somerset.**

**Neighbourhood Planning – To receive any further information with regard to a new neighbourhood plan.**

*8.10pm the meeting was adjourned for public participation.*

*8.15pm the meeting was reconvened.*

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Higgins confirmed that there was nothing further to report. Members were asked if they were available to attend a meeting at North Somerset Council next week. Unfortunately no members of Flax Bourton Parish Council could attend. The chairman requested that this be a regular item on the agenda. Noted.

**123) North Somerset Showground.**

It was noted that Councillors Higgins and Mrs Moss were due to meet with the North Somerset Agricultural Society on 27 February 2012. Noted.

**124) Resident Issues**

- Complaints had been received about the dog fouling on the cycle paths. The Clerk advised members that the Dog Warden had agreed to send enforcement officers to the area, however this was a huge problem for the whole of North Somerset. Noted.
- The Clerk confirmed that she had written to NSC footpaths and asked that concrete slabs be installed at the end of the cycle path following complaints of the area becoming increasingly muddy and slippery. Noted

*8.25pm meeting adjourned*

*8.28pm meeting reconvened*

**125) Hinkley Point Pylons**

Councillor Lillington advised members that he was waiting to hear back from Nailsea Town Council Clerk with their views on the latest costing information from National Grid. The Chairman suggested the Councillor Lillington might like to invite some members of the local action group along to the Annual Parish Meeting in May. Noted.

**126) Olympic Torch in Flax Bourton 23 May 2012 – To agree on any Parish Council involvement.**

**RESOLVED:** It was agreed that the Clerk would write to NSC and ask that they provide details of the timing and route of when the torch will pass through the village. It was thought that it was due to pass through at 6.00am on 23 May 2012. The Council were also keen to know what security and road safety measures would be taken, as main road is extremely busy with Tarmac quarry lorries at that time of day.

Councillor Windo agreed that he would liase with the primary school about their plans and Councillor Higgins would speak with the Directors of the CIC about the possibility of them holding an event at the village hall. Noted.

**127) Queen's Diamond Jubilee celebrations 2nd/5th June – To agree on any Parish Council involvement.**

This item was discussed at length and the Council are keen to support events that may be held. The Council discussed the possibility of purchasing items such as mugs or t-shirts that could be given school children and the Council were also very keen to investigate the possibility of having an engraved "Jubilee Stone" erected in the village.

**128) Permissive Paths** – To discuss the completion of any necessary documentation and agree on a way forward.

**RESOLVED:** Councillor Higgins confirmed that the documentation had been received. It was agreed that the Council needed to check the documents for any clauses and that this would be discussed at a future meeting. Noted.

**129) Open Forum - An opportunity to propose any items for the next agenda, including any relevant issues raised by the public.**

The Clerk was asked to find out the situation with regard to the dead Hornbeam tree at Farleigh Green. Noted.

Date of next meeting – Tuesday 13 March 2012.

There, being no further business, the Chairman closed the meeting.

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