



**MINUTES OF THE FULL COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON TUESDAY 10TH MARCH 2020.**

Present:

Cllr Boulton	Cllr Nicholls	Cllr Bowen
Cllr Foxall	Cllr Harrison	Cllr Hill
Cllr Jefferies	Cllr Jack Morgan	Cllr John Morgan
Cllr Roberts	Cllr Sanford	Cllr Thornhill

In attendance: Vanessa Lawrence, Roz Morton (Clerks),
County Cllr Theodoulou (part)

- 255 19/20 Apologies for absence**
District Cllr Andrews, District Cllr Trotter
- 256 19/20 Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda**
None
- 257 19/20 To approve the Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on the 11th February 2020**
It was **RESOLVED** to approve the Minutes of the Full Council meeting held on the 11th February 2020, as a true and accurate record of the proceedings.
Proposed Cllr John Morgan, seconded Cllr Doherty – 11 in favour, 2 abstentions
- 258 19/20 Clerk's/Chairman's report**
The Clerk's report was presented at the meeting and covered Actions taken since the last meeting.
- 259 19/20 To agree to adjourn the meeting for Public Participation – there is a 10-minute time limit) if members of the public are present.**
N/A
- 260 19/20 To agree to reconvene the meeting following Public Participation, if applicable.**
N/A
- Cllr Theodoulou arrived**
- 261 19/20 Chairman's Announcements**
Cllr Boulton asked Cllrs to consider becoming Deputy Mayor.
- 262 19/20 To consider invitations to meetings (e-mailed)**
None received
- 263 19/20 To consider correspondence received (for information only e-mailed)**
Correspondence was received with no comment.

264 19/20

To receive reports on meetings attended

Cllr Nicholls –

Community Wellbeing: – details of the group will be made available on the “Yourcircle.org.uk” website in due course.

CAB - will be available in Fairford starting in May/June for one day a week, in the Community Centre

Talking Café – waiting for ‘volunteer’ admin person to be appointed

Transport Plan – Looking at ‘Frome Model’, which it is felt is probably not feasible for Fairford at present. League of Friends carries out similar service Cllr Hill suggested that the group needs to better coordinate with existing groups in this respect.

Cllr Foxall – FCC Trustees Meeting – Trustees have received the building surveyors report. A list of priorities is being prepared. This year will be the first year that there may be a slight loss. It has been agreed to contribute towards any large works and a draft document is being prepared.

Cllr Harrison – Local Transport Plan Review – Report has been circulated

Cllr Doherty – Has had a series of meetings with Thames Water.

Cllr Hill – NDP – Sustainability Appraisal to be finalised. When complete will be able to move to Reg. 14.

265 19/20

To receive report from District Councillor

Covid19 – Not involved as front-line agency. Contingency plans being looked at regarding 1500 staff across the various Councils. 20% only able to work from home at present. Plans to increase to 50%.

Budget – has been approved with Band D equivalent going up by £5.00 per annum. Garden Waste bins will go up to £35 and will increase each year by £5 to the limit of £45.

Car Parks (Cirencester) – Looking at how the works to the car park can be more eco friendly considering climate change.

Council houses – Looking at building council houses. This is long term project.

Weather – Fluvial flooding is not proving to be a problem. The main issue is the infiltration of water into the sewage system, which is causing problems. Complaints have been received from residents in Horcott regarding this issue This has now been resolved.

266 19/20

To receive report from County Councillor

Budget – Agreed: -

£1 million into climate change

£25k each Councillors for road and footpaths

£160million capital fund

£73 million for childrens services

£50 million for roads

£700k more into flood alleviation#

£3 million into improving Broadband services, especially for areas where there is very poor coverage.

£5 million on improvements to lighting

Council tax will increase by 1.99% - Adult Care Levy – 2% = £1 per week increase per Band D equivalent property.

Q: (Cllr Harrison) The LTP consultation makes reference to new Gov’t money being made available for cycling & walking infrastructure – can Fairford have some of it?

A: If there are specific projects in Fairford, then make a bid for funding.

Q: Glos Highways has a £98M backlog of highways work, and each year accumulates and additional £36M of works needed. How is the backlog going to be funded going forward and will it be reduced?

A: Glos H'ways are slowly reducing the backlog – it was £120M at one point.

Q: (Cllr Roberts): Could some of the £25k allocated to the Cllrs be put towards installing lighting on Cirencester Road or improving the verge at Victory Villas? Please can Cllr Theodoulou provide a definitive answer.

A: Yes, an answer will be provided in due course.

Q: (Cllr John Morgan): Is the police budget separate to the Council budget?

A: Yes.

Q: (Cllr Hill): Is there any money set aside for cycle paths for Fairford?

A: There is money that can be bid for, none that is set aside for specific projects.

Cllr Theodoulou left the meeting.

267 19/20 To receive Police Report
Police Report to be forwarded.

FINANCE

268 19/20 To receive Minutes of the Finance Meeting held on the 18th February 2020
The Minutes of the Finance meeting held on the 18th February were received with no comment.

269 19/20 To receive report from the Chair of Finance
The Chairman reported that funds had been set aside for any legal support in relation to Coln House School playing fields. Monies from KEE have re-started.

270 19/20 To approve, retrospectively, payments to end of February 2020
It was **RESOLVED** to approve, retrospectively, payments to the end of February 2020. Proposed Cllr Doherty, seconded Cllr John Morgan – all in favour.

271 19/20 To receive figures to the end of February 2020
The figures to the end of February were received with no comment.

PLANNING

272 19/20 To receive the Minutes of the Planning committee meetings held on 18th February and 3rd March 2020.
The Minutes from the Planning Committee meetings held on the 18th February and 3rd March were received with no comment.

273 19/20 To receive report from Chair of Planning Committee
Cllr Harrison reported that an update regarding Fayre Court was still awaited. This matter to be added to the Agenda for the next Planning meeting.

ACTION: Clerk to add item re. Fayre Court to the Agenda for the next Planning meeting.

WORKS & COMMUNITY

274 19/20 To receive report from Chair of Works & Community Committee
Cllr John Morgan reported as the Committee did not meet in February, there was little to report at this time. However, Mr. Passmore from Quenington, came along with a presentation regarding two new CCTV systems which are being trialled at present. Of the two systems, Cllr Morgan felt that the more expensive unit, when available, would serve Fairford as it is a fully automated

system, requiring no input from the Council or volunteers. He also felt that this system or the smaller less expensive unit could be used near the base to monitor vehicles that might be driving on the wrong side of the road. This is with particular reference to new USAF arrivals. Further details to follow in due course.

OTHER MATTERS

275 19/20 To consider and agree renewal membership for GAPTC - £1005.21
It was **RESOLVED** to renew membership to GAPTC. Proposed Cllr John Morgan, seconded Cllr Hill – all in favour.

ACTION: Clerks to make payment in April

276 19/20 To agree recommendations from Procedures and Finance Committee for approval of the following policy documents: -
Standing Orders – Additional item 3 (dd); additional item 15 (xvii); additional item 22 (c) & (d).
Finance Regulations – no changes
Financial Risk Register – typo correction
Code of Conduct – additional item (n)
Grant Awarding Policy – Removal of Community Capital Project Grant. Adjustments to End of Year grant to include final para., and change of deadline details.
Policy for safeguarding public money – No changes
The Clerk went through all the changes that had been approved by the Procedures and Finance Committee. Further amendments were made by members, following which it was **RESOLVED** to agree recommendations with added amendments. Proposed Cllr Foxall, seconded Cllr Doherty - all in favour.

ACTION: Clerk to amend relevant document.

277 19/20 To discuss potential infrastructure projects that the Town Council could pursue should Central Government funding be made available.
Discussion took place regarding possible infrastructure projects that might be considered if funding was made available from Central government. It was suggested that a list should be compiled, and Cllrs were asked to consider this and to forward items to the Clerks so that a complete list can be put together. It was also suggested that this might be something that could be brought up at the Annual Town meeting.

ACTION: Cllrs to consider possible infrastructure projects and send suggestions to the Clerks.

278 19/20 To consider and agree any further actions regarding the Coln House School Playing Fields.
It was agreed that this should be considered following the Public consultation on the 2nd April. In the meantime, further communication with GCC & legal advisors is required, regarding the Heads of Terms. Cllr Foxall said that he would be happy to speak to solicitors which was sanctioned by the Council. This to be deferred to the next Full Council meeting.

ACTION: Clerk to contact GCC to arrange a meeting

279 19/20 Anything the Chair considers urgent
None

280 19/20 Date of next meeting 14th April 2020

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40pm

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