

Forncett Parish Council
Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council
held at Forncett Village Hall on Thursday 21 June 2018 at 7.30pm.

In Attendance: Cllr B Frith (Chairman) Cllr B Humphreys, Cllr A Coleman, Cllr G Barnes, Cllr D Welsby, Cllr S Allen

Parish Clerk Anne Rayner
District Councillor Barry Duffin
County Councillor Bev Spratt
6 members of the public

1. **To consider apologies for absence** – Apologies were received and accepted from Councillor Gale.
2. **To receive any declarations of interest** – None to declare.
3. **To approve the minutes of the last meeting (17 May 2018)** – The minutes were approved without alteration and signed a correct by the Chairman.
4. **To consider matters arising from the minutes (for information only)** – It was noted that Hope Valley did not sell at auction although it is understood that it has been sold, subsequent to the auction.
5. **Open forum, to hear from members of the public, including reports from District and County Councillors** – District Councillor Duffin confirmed his term as Chairman at South Norfolk Council has come to an end. Training sessions related to neighbourhood planning are currently running, the latest one is being held at the Broadland District Council offices but further sessions are planned. Grants have recently been awarded to the Tank Museum and St Edmunds Church.
County Councillor Spratt confirmed that the 40 mph speed limit for Station Road is progressing. Norfolk County Council is currently assessing the property it owns, with a view to selling anything suitable as the County Council needs to make savings of £30 million.
A member of the public mentioned that it was nearly a year since the post box was removed from Station Road. The Chairman confirmed that he has received an e-mail from David Gold, Director of Public Affairs & Policy, via our MP, Richard Bacon's office, confirming that he is looking in to the whole unfortunate situation, so hopefully a resolution will be forthcoming.
6. **To consider planning applications** – None to consider
7. **To hear of planning decisions** – None
8. **To report planning comments agreed via e-mail in between meetings** - None
9. **To consider ideas for the Parish Partnership Scheme** – The clerk confirmed the type of projects which would be considered as part of the parish partnership scheme. It was agreed that Councillors would think about any suitable projects and ideas could be discussed at the next meeting.

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- 10. Policy reviews: Complaints procedure, Filming at Council Meetings, General Risk Management Policy and Grant Awarding Policy** – Minor amendments were made to the grant awarding policy and the general risk management policy. The other two policies required no change. The revised policies will be circulated.
- 11. Defibrillator Access Policy** – The Chairman confirmed that advice from the Community Heartbeat Trust indicated it is usually not advisable to widely share the access codes for the defibrillators, mainly due to concerns that, if the code is known, it removes the need to dial 999 and this runs the risk of vital steps of the procedure being missed out. Councillors agreed with this.
- 12. Update on Broadband for Forncett St Mary** – An alternative site has been identified for the Forncett St Mary cabinet. It is hoped this will be installed by December 2018.
- 13. To receive the RFO report and consider the approval of the following payments:**

Ch. No.	Amount	Payee	Notes
100164	£319.51	A Rayner	June 2018 salary
100165	£ 7.60	HMRC	Q1 tax
100166	£330.00	Community Heartbeat Trust	Maintenance contracts for three defibrillators

14. To consider correspondence:

- a) Western Link Road consultation** – This NCC consultation regarding joining the NDR with the A47 to the west closes on 3 July 2018.

15. Update on ongoing matters and outstanding issues

a) Village Hall – One additional Trustee has been appointed, for a two year period. The fete is the next event coming up, on 23 June. The steam museum will be open between 12 – 2 on the day of the fete and there will be an art exhibition at St Mary's Church. The owner of The Manor has confirmed he will be arranging for the fencing between The Manor and the village hall to be replaced and it is hoped that an agreement will be reached and documented on the line of the actual boundary.

b) Highways and Public Rights of Way – One of the 30mph signs at the top of Mill Road is completely overgrown with hedging. The clerk will report this to Highways.

c) SAM2 report – Phil Whiscombe reported that the usual pattern is emerging of speeding increasing, now that the better weather is here, together with longer daylight hours. Recent figures include 45% of all vehicles speeding at the site on Norwich Road and 58% at Low Road. It was agreed that a suitable site can be identified once the 40mph limit is in place near Hunt's Mead and Phil also suggested a possible new site near Lime Tree Farm, at Forncett End. There is no suitable pole in place, so the clerk will contact Highways to ask for a pole to be installed.

16. Open forum, to hear from members of the public – No further comments.

17. To confirm the date of the next meeting as 19 July 2018.

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.20pm.