

Forncett Parish Council
Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council
held at Forncett Village Hall on Thursday 17 June 2021 at 7.30.

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

Parish Clerk Anne Rayner
District and County Councillor Barry Duffin
5 members of the public

1. **To consider apologies for absence** – None to report.
2. **To receive any declarations of interest** – Councillor Humphreys declared and interest in item 9 on the agenda.
3. **To approve the minutes of the last meeting (20 May 2021)** – The minutes were approved without alteration and signed as correct by the Chairman.
4. **To consider matters arising from the minutes (for information only)** – Nothing to report.
5. **Open forum, to hear from members of the public, including reports from District and County Councillor** - Councillor Duffin reported that an extraordinary meeting had been called at the County Council to discuss the last stage of the NDR, known as the Western Link. From the District Council there was little to report other than the publication of the Village Cluster Consultation part of the Greater Norwich Local Plan (GNLP). This is included as an agenda item so will be discussed in full at that point in the meeting.

A member of the public mentioned that Anglian Water had been present on an area of private land in the village and now appeared to have vacated the site but blue pipework was left protruding the land surface. It was also noted that planning enforcement are aware of the activity at the Old Vineyard. Finally, a member of the public voiced concern that no signs were placed in the road warning of grass cutting around Hunt's Mead and that those undertaking the work were not wearing any hi-visibility clothing.

6. **To consider planning applications:**
 - a) **2021 / 1075 – Four Seasons, Cheney's Lane – Remove existing cement rendering and replace with lime render to south and west facing walls** – The parish council have no objections to this application, subject to the satisfaction of the Heritage Officer at South Norfolk Council.
 - b) **2021 / 1116 – Clavers Cottage, Low Rd – Installation of low profile heating oil tank in front garden** - The parish council have no objections to this application, subject to the satisfaction of the Heritage Officer at South Norfolk Council.
 - c) **2021 / 0922 – Church Farm Barns, Low Road – Revisions to previously approved scheme (2017 / 2190)** - The parish council have no objections to this application, subject to the satisfaction of the Heritage Officer at South Norfolk Council.

7. **To hear of planning decisions** – None

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- 8. To report planning comments agreed via e-mail in between meetings:**
a) 2021 / 2107 – Ponderosa, Gilderswood Lane – Conversion of workshop / barn to create annexe including erection of stable building – The parish council had no objections to this application but expect a condition included in any permission granted, ensuring that the annexe remain as part of the main house and is not to be sold separately at any point in the future.
- 9. South Norfolk Village Clusters Housing Allocations Plan** – It was noted that all sites put forward in Forncett have been rejected as unsuitable, although some potential sites have been included for Tacolneston. Following discussion, the parish council agreed to submit a comment agreeing with the assessment included within the plan.
- 10. Christmas Eve flooding – update** – Natural England have indicated they plan to visit during early August. Some Councillors expressed disappointment at this, as the river will be at a very low level and not at all representative of the levels experienced at other times of the year. The Chairman asked if those present had received a copy of the letter sent to all households from the Norfolk Strategic Flooding Alliance. Only two people present confirmed receipt of the letter. Councillor Welsby also pointed out that, following the meeting from the Water Management officers earlier in the year, they had indicated they would be writing to all householders on Aslacton Road highlighting the work that households need to do in order to assist with flood prevention. It appears that this letter has not been sent.
- 11. Allotments – update** – Unfortunately the meeting planned for 5 June with the landowner of the site including the allotments had to be postponed. A new meeting has been arranged for 19 June 2021.
- 12. To receive the financial report and consider the approval of the following payments:**

Ch. No.	Amount	Payee	Notes
SO	£ 356.86	A Rayner	June salary
DD	£ 53.74	A J Bell	June pension contribution
BACS	£ 4.00	A Rayner	Q1 tax

The financial report, circulated prior to the meeting, was approved and the listed payments were also unanimously approved.

- 13. To consider correspondence – None to report**
- 14. Items for information and comment** – The verge cutters damaged the street sign at the junction of Cheney's Lane / Low Road junction. This has been reported to SNC. Unfortunately, due to the delay in lifting the Covid restrictions which had been planned for 21 June, the Village Hall walk planned for 27th June has been postponed. Little Tractors playgroup have received a 'good' Ofsted report which is excellent news. Line Dancing and yoga have confirmed they will not be returning to their booking slots at the Village Hall, which is a shame as they were both regular users. However, Bowls and Art group have already returned and Sunny Patches sewing group have indicated their intention to return from July.

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Councillor Bezkorowajny asked if the fly tipping at Spicer's Lane could be on the agenda again next month. The issue was briefly discussed again and Councillors felt it was difficult to know what could be done to improve the area without the permission of the landowner, if the area in question is private land. The clerk confirmed she would ask for an update from South Norfolk Council.

15. To confirm the date of the next meeting as Thursday 15 July 2021

There being no further business, the meeting closed at 8.35pm.