

FORD PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON MARCH 17TH 2025

Yapton & Ford village hall.

Clerk to the Council: Mrs Carol Hatton.

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Present.

Cllr D. Smith. Chairman.

Cllr S. Langmead. Vice Chairman.

Cllr. D. Armstrong.

Cllr. A. Worne.

- 1. Welcome & Apologies. County Councillor. J. Pendleton sent her apologies.**
- 2. Declarations of interest. There were no new declarations.**
- 3. Public Sessions. A member of the public attended the meeting and complained about the traffic on Beagle Drive where he resides. He reported that cars have used the road as a racetrack. The chairman said she has tried over the course of 8 years, to deal with this issue. The resident suggested a 20-mph speed limit. Cllr Worne said there was a speed watch in Yapton, and all data and information should be collected, giving the village a better chance of getting some action. Unfortunately, it seems there is no enthusiasm for getting such a thing going in Ford. The Parish Council have tried to have islands installed in Burndell Road/Rollaston Park, but this was declined. The Chairman said she would see what influence she might have with the relevant bodies.**

- 4. Minutes of the last meeting. There was one amendment suggested by Cllr Langmead, and the Clerk will implement this. They were then signed off by the Chairman.**
- 5. Matters Arising.**
 - a. 6 Johnson Way. Report of an unsafe tree. The Clerk had requested that Stratton deal with this as it is on their land. They conducted an inspection of the tree and decided it was not unsafe and therefore needs no further action.**
 - b. Honours Board. Cllr Marner was not present to report on any progress. Chairman will contact her.**
- 6. Finance. The Clerk reported that the current account stands at £30606.91. The savings account at £50.20p.**
- 7. Neighbourhood Plan. We are waiting for ADC to approve this.**
- 8. County Councillor report. Cllr Pendleton was not present. She has sent a report to the Chairman who will forward this to the Clerk.**
- 9. District Councillor's report. Cllr Worne reported that an advisory meeting will be scheduled when a date can be agreed on. She has had an email from David Easton reporting that there are many things that Vistry have not complied with. An email has been sent asking Vistry why this is the case.**
- 10. Chairman's Report. She reported that Process Matters have advised us that Astor have pulled out of the social housing planned for The Landings. Now looking for alternatives.**
- 11. Correspondence. The Clerk reported that she had been asked by the Chairman, to write to a resident on the Rollaston Park estate, who was causing a nuisance with his motor bike.**
- 12. Planning. There has been a planning application for work on Atherington House, which is a listed building. The Chairman will try to visit the site, meanwhile we are to ask for photo comparisons for the work planned.**
- 13. Devolution. There is a meeting for clerks and councillors on March 31st at Littlehampton Town Hall, to discuss this. The clerk will attend, and all councillors are invited.**

- 14. Flags. The Chairman wishes to purchase a VE day flag and a VJ day flag to erect on the memorial garden site for the service this year. The council resolved to buy these flags, and the Clerk is to purchase them.**

The next meeting and AGM is scheduled for May 26th 7 p.m.