FORD PARISH COUNCIL.

MINUTES OF THE MEETING JANUARY 17TH 2023. 7.30.P.M.

Held at Yapton & Ford Village Hall.

Clerk to the Council. Mrs Carol Hatton

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1.Welcome and apologies. There were no apologies for absence. The meeting was chaired by Vice Chairman Cllr Dawn Smith. Chairman Cllr Trevor Ford was unable to attend due to ill health.

2. Declarations of interest.. There were no new declarations of interest.

3. Minutes of the last meeting. These were agreed and signed off by the Vice Chairman Cllr D Smith.

4. Public Sessions. There were no members of the public in attendance.

5. Matters Arising from the last meeting.

a. Fly tipping in Mustang Close. This has been resolved.

b. Proposed Police Patrol. Cllr Smith had been unable to contact Inspector Durkan of Sussex Police. She will continue to try to contact him.

c. Memorial Plaque. Cllr Langmead is still investigating various options.

d. Wildflower Meadow. Cllr Smith has seeds to plant.

6. Finance. Clerk reported there is £27557 in the current account and £1299 in the second account which is ringfenced for the Neighbourhood Plan revision.

7. Nighbourhood Plan Update. Process Matters attended the meeting. She reported that housing numbers are going to be revised so there is a possibility Ford Airfield will not be used for housing. She will strengthen and modify those policies needing work, as legislation has been changed since the Neighbourhood Plan was completed. There is the opportunity to add new policies as needed. Trees seem to be the most affected. Some of the trees currently planted on new housing estates are inadequate, and seem to die quickly, she will try to set out the type and size of new trees for future sites. The next step is to put the plan forward for Reg 14. She will get a copy printed for each councillor.

8. County Councillor's Report. Cllr J Pendleton reported that she has been dealing with many areas recently flooded. The Fire services are dealing with houses and businesses as priorities.

She and Cllr S Worne spoke out against the recent approval of the incinerator on Ford Airfield. Sadly, their protests went unheeded.

9. District Councillor's Report. Cllr A Worne had nothing to report.

10. Correspondence. The Clerk had received an email from a company called Ride and Glide, asking for contact details for the owner of Ford Airfield. He wishes to use the site for photography to advertise his business. She will give him the name and contact details of the owner.

11. Planning. There were no new planning applications needing attention.

12. Allotments. Cllr Langmead had nothing to report.

Meeting closed at 21.02.

Next meeting is scheduled for March 21st 2023.