



**FERNHURST  
PARISH  
COUNCIL**

**Property Committee Meeting  
Minutes  
Monday 11 September 2023**

A meeting of the **Property, Highways and Environment Committee** was held at Fernhurst Village Hall on

**Monday 11 September 2023** at 6.00pm

**Councillors Present:** Mrs M Jenkins, (Chairman), Mrs H Bicknell, Mr W Black, Ms S Strongman.

**In Attendance:** K. Jones (Clerk)

**PHE/39/23 Apologies For Absence:** Mr J Buchanan, Mr S Flatt, Mr M Giffin, Mr G Inns, Mr C Lloyd.

**PHE/40/23 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:** None.

**PHE/41/23 PUBLIC REPRESENTATIONS:** None.

**PHE/42/23 PREVIOUS MINUTES**

The Minutes of the meeting held on **26 June 2023** were approved.

**Proposed: Cllr Jenkins, seconded Cllr Black.**

**PHE/43/23 MATTERS ARISING FROM PREVIOUS MINUTES:** None.

**PHE/44/23 HIGHWAYS / WINTER RESILIENCE / BUS SHELTERS**

**Traffic Consultant & CCTV:** In the absence of Councillors Buchanan and Lloyd, no report.

**Speed Indication Devices:** The Vehicle Activated Sign outside the Fernhurst Club has been seen to be operational. It now indicates the potential hazard of traffic lights as opposed to the previous cross roads. In the absence of Cllr Giffin there was no report on Speed Indicator Devices.

**Fernden Lane Bus Shelter:** This project has now been completed with thanks to Mike & Steve Fordham.

**Kingsley Green (South) Bus Shelter Investigation:** Following the request for a bus shelter at the Kingsley Green (South) bus stop the commercially available shelters have been rejected on the grounds of cost and aesthetics. The Village Ranger has agreed to the project, if approved, on a time and materials basis, for a small basic wooden shelter. He has agreed to provide a basic non-binding estimate.

**Highways Signage:** Signs to indicate the location of the Car Park, WC's and Doctors Surgery are still required. **Action: (Clerk)**

**Church Road:** Drainage issues are to be investigated with the possible assistance of John Jordan. **Action: (Clerk)**

**Grit Bins:** Following some confusion in identifying exact location of grit bins it was agreed that the Village Ranger would attach individual numbers to each bin and identify the location using “What Three Words”. **Action: (Clerk)**

**PHE/45/23 – VAN COMMON / VILLAGE GREEN**

**Van Common:** Tree work by the appointed contractor has been postponed until the end of the nesting season. **Action: (Clerk)**

**PHE/46/23 - PUBLIC TOILETS:** The following requirements remain outstanding:

Repairs to disabled access railings

Sanitary bins

**Action: (Clerk)**

**PHE/47/23 PLAYGROUND**

The following requirements remain identified:

Replacements are needed for:

Older Children Swing Seats & Chains

Additionally, it was decided to install a Picnic Table. **Action: (Clerk)**

Prices are required to replace the three spring rocker installations and replacement of safety surfaces in several areas. **Action: (Clerk)**

**PHE/48/23 PUBLIC SEATS**

Routine maintenance only required, which is weather dependent.

**PHE/48/24 CEMETERY**

Memorials that have been removed for safety reasons are to be identified and reinstalled, if suitable. The quotation received to date is regarded as expensive. Further options to be explored. **Action: (Clerk)**

The Cemetery Regulations are to be reviewed. **Action: (Clerk)**

Cllr Black agreed to make enquiries about a permanent memorial to the late Diana & Iain Brown. **Action: (Cllr Black)**

**PHE/49/23 ENVIRONMENTAL ISSUES**

Possible opportunities to install publicly accessible electric vehicle charging points in the Crossfield car park are being pursued. Unfortunately, owing to the low density of local population these are likely to be a low priority at County and District level.

**Date of next meeting: 6 November 2023**

Signed..... Chairman

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