



Farnley Tyas Community Group Minutes

Wednesday 6th March, 2024

	ITEM
1	<p>Welcome and Apologies</p> <p>Present: NW, BH-W, FH, JH, RW, JW, LD, CE, PB, NS, NH, LH, MH, PH, JL, MB, RB, JL, JD</p> <p>Apologies: RF, JF, BA, LR, SA-R, NC, SK, KH</p>
2	<p>Conflict of Interest Declaration: Nil declared</p>
3	<p>Accuracy of previous minutes / adoption:</p> <p>Proposed: CE</p> <p>Seconded: RW</p>
4	<p>Matters arising from previous meeting (not covered in agenda)</p> <p>Following on from Bev Fox's (Local Neighbourhood Watch Coordinator) well received presentation at the last meeting, Bev has provided spare paraphernalia (attendees invited to help themselves). Bev will come again later in the year.</p>
5	<p>Financial Statement</p> <p>Summary provided as follows:</p> <p>Current Cheque book account balance end of February - £1,711.00. The value at the end of January was - £1,766.00.</p> <p>TOTAL in the Savings Account - £1,420.23</p> <p>TOTAL FUNDS - £3,131,23</p> <p>Movements since the last meeting in February are :-</p> <p>PAYMENTS IN</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £0.00

	<p>PAYMENTS OUT</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £50.00 - Flutter winner - for February Draw • £5.00 - HSBC Monthly Bank Charges <p>TOTAL PAYMENTS OUT - £55.00</p> <p>The current bank balance now includes at the moment - held in reserve as follows:-</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £500 - Held for future Flutter winners • £900 – Held towards our future funds/buffer and running costs. • £132 - from the Annual Grant (2023) from Kirkburton Parish Council towards our running costs. <p>TOTAL to hold in the FT CG Current Account - £1,532</p> <p>This leaves approx. £820 held in the FT CG Savings Account we can use towards a good cause and benefit for the Village Community, as well as the £600 in reserve from the Christmas Carol Event as budget for future similar events.</p> <p>The Annual Grant Application for 2024 to Kirkburton Parish Council for £300 has been sent, which will be considered in late spring.</p> <p>A sincere thanks to JW, as always for is hard work and due diligence in managing FT CG accounts.</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>Council updates</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kirklees Council <p>No updates provided, BA as ever, is happy to receive any council related concerns / issues via: Bill.Armer@kirklees.gov.uk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Kirkburton Parish Council <p>Long serving clerk AR leaving, end of April. New clerk is being sought. Refurbished notice board back in action. All notices in the board must be non-commercial. Keys are held by RB and KH. Re: Moor Lane footpath, supportive application has been submitted. AGM due to take place 30th May. Parish Council precept has not increased.</p> <p>Suggestion that the Community Group and ‘what’s on’ (non-commercial) activities could be advertised in the notice board. BH-W to sort</p>
<p>7</p>	<p>New FT CG email details:</p> <p>Any correspondence / comms should now be directed to:</p> <p>farnleytyascommunitygroup@gmail.com</p>

	<p>NS, BH-W and NH (FTCG's 'comms' team) are working hard to strengthen and develop social media. It is anticipated that in the future, FTCG related documents and records will be filed on the website.</p> <p>JW advised to forward future treasurer reports via the generic email (above)</p>
8	<p>St Lucius Church</p> <p>Coming up:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Lent lunch every Friday at noon • Community café every Tuesday • Community churchyard working parties, Saturday 16th March, Saturday 13th April, Saturday 11th May (10.30am – 12.30pm, lunch provided) • Monday 18th March, Bridge lunch (noon) • Wednesday 10th April, 11.30am Tai Chi commences (6 sessions, £42, or £10 individually) for inf. or bookings contact Helen Marshall on 07718746985 • Jumble sale taking place 4th May <p>Requests for plants for the banking that probation services are preparing (any thing that can be spared via splitting most welcome) -butterfly and bee friendly preferred. Please leave kind donations at the back of the churchyard.</p>
9	<p>Tidy Tyas</p> <p>As usual, the first Saturday that follows Community Group Meetings, so 10am this Saturday morning, meet at 4 New Lane Terrace</p>
10	<p>Film Club</p> <p>Last film of the season is Friday 15th March, and the film will be: "One Life" Doors open at 6.30pm for a 7pm start £6.00 on the door</p> <p>Film club will resume in the Autumn</p>
11	<p>D-Day 80</p> <p>As a minimum, church bells will "ring for peace" at 6.30pm and there will be a reading / lighting of the lantern of peace at 9.15pm at the memorial.</p> <p>NW is trying to broker support around and about the village to make the most of the commemorative event (school readings at lunch, fish and chip supper, brass band).</p> <p>BH-W raised the issue about the Castle Hill beacon not being a council priority to repair (despite money being donated to the council to sort this). Suggested that this is raised with councillors BA and AC. NW and RB to action.</p> <p>PH suggested that Nyte Beat might be an option to play 'war time' music as part of the commemorations -NW agreed to explore.</p> <p>NW to forward lantern details to JW so that it can be procured</p>
12	<p>Garden Gang</p>

	<p>Helpful update by RW</p> <p>First meet of the year, Saturday 23rd March, 10am – noon at the rec. Dry stone wall session arranged for Saturday 6th April, 10 am at the rec. A meeting with the Yorkshire Wildlife Trust took place as planned. Lots of ideas were shared and a further meeting is to be rearranged</p>
13	<p>Garden Safari</p> <p>Date agreed 6th July, 2024 Not for the general public (villagers and their families, WI members, church members and Bowling Club members) 1pm – 6pm Each garden will open for an hour (as a minimum), some offering refreshments for a donation £5.00 per person, accompanied children free, no dogs Buffet supper at Field from 7pm</p> <p>If anybody wishes to participate (i.e. volunteering their garden), please get in touch (6 gardens are participating so far).</p>
14	<p>Farnley Readers</p> <p>Inaugural book club meeting, April 17th at the Golden Cock function room, 7pm, all welcome and no fee.</p> <p>First book will be “Lessons in Chemistry” by Bonnie Garmus</p> <p>Frequency of meetings and future reads will be agreed on the night.</p>
15	<p>Local MP Meeting, Thurstonland Cricket Club</p> <p>Meeting with MP Mark Eastwood took place 13th Feb at Thurstonland Cricket Club</p> <p>BH-W advised that the purpose of the meeting was to discuss the new national constituency boundaries. Farnley is currently with Dewsbury, however we will be joining Ossett and Denby Dale at the next general election.</p>
16	<p>Local Government Boundary Commission Review</p> <p>The Boundary Commission have announced their draft proposals for Kirklees in terms of redrawing the ward boundaries. Farnley will remain in Kirkburton and the proposals will see the ward grow as Kirkburton has one of the smaller electorates. The proposals, if approved will see the villages of Whitley and Bristfield join the Kirkburton ward.</p> <p>The proposals are largely based on work that has looked across the whole district and has tried to define boundaries that make sense and without giving any particular advantages to any group or political party.</p> <p>The Commission is encouraging people to comment and there are links to do this via https://www.lgbce.org.uk/all-reviews/kirklees</p>
17	<p>Feedback / Canvassing</p>

	<p>JD (mostly) and NW have been working on a feedback questionnaire about the Farnley Tyas Community Group. The survey will be accessible via a QR code that will be on the next newsletter (or via word document on request). Honest feedback is welcome as this will help to shape / inform the direction of travel of the community group to ensure delivery of the group's objectives.</p> <p>FH advised that an extensive survey had been undertaken in previous years which led to the formation of FTCCG.</p> <p>Consensus was that the survey would be a useful exercise and JD was thanked for her hard work and efforts in developing this.</p>
<p>18</p>	<p>Open Forum</p> <p>Attendees were invited to participate in an open discussion, topics being aligned to the group's objectives of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Representing the interests and concerns of village residents to the local authorities and other stakeholders • Organising and supporting various initiatives and projects that benefit the village and its residents • Providing a platform for dialogue, cooperation, and mutual assistance among the residents • Encouraging the participation and involvement of all residents in the group's activities and decision-making • Preserving and celebrating the cultural, historical, and natural heritage of the village <p>Topics discussed were:</p> <p>Challenges engaging the wider community with the community group (acknowledged that it is not unique to FTCCG to see reduction in attendees at meetings)</p> <p>Strengthening social media (SLACK was suggested as an option)</p> <p>Replacing tubs -NW happy to support but wants authorisation / permission from Kirklees Highways that the tubs can be located where they are (NW to liaise with the council)</p> <p>Bollards require refurbishment by the pub and church (NW to liaise with the council)</p>
<p>19</p>	<p>Farnley Flutter</p> <p>Winning number for March is 40. The lucky winner will be notified in due course.</p>
<p>20</p>	<p>AOB</p> <p>NW advised that the committee urgently needs a secretary to replace JF. Duties will include meeting planning, managing emails via the new account, and minute taking. Attendees requested to spread the word and ask interested parties to contact NW via the FTCCG email.</p> <p>From April, the intention will be to go paper free in future meetings, attendees asked to refer to future agendas via smart devices and we'll try and cast key docs to the TV, IT permitting.</p>

NW advised that as this would have been JF's last meeting as secretary, SK has kindly organised a gift of thanks. This will be delivered tomorrow. Thanks to SK for organising, and a heartfelt thanks to JF for all of her sterling hard work and efforts of the last few years in her role as secretary. We look forward to JF returning in a couple of months, as an attendee.

Issue raised re: access to the church via the pathway between Yew Trees and the church. This is useful for disabled access, however the current condition makes this impossible. NW to raise with the council.

Date and Time of Next Meeting:

Wednesday 3rd April, 7.15pm, Farnley Tyas Bowling Club