

Minutes

Farnley Tyas Community Group

3rd January 2024

1. Welcome and Apologies

Present

NW(Chair); JW(Treasurer); BH-W; PB; BA; JL; JL; MB; RB: JW; RW; CE; LR; SK

Apologies

JF; RF; CL; SAR; TP; KH; BM; CM; LH; NH; JH; PH; MH; CH; RH

2. Minutes of the meeting held on 1st November 2023; Discussion and Approval

(There was no December formal meeting due to Christmas social). The minutes of the meeting held on 1st November were confirmed as accurate, proposed by JL and seconded by FH.

3. Matters Arising

The rocking horses in the Recreation Ground playground have been repaired, thanks to KMC for this.

4. Financial Statement

TREASURER'S REPORT

The report covers two months of November and December 2023 periods as no formal meeting was held in December 2023.

Current Account Balance at the end of December 2023 - £2,023.38

Current Account Balance at the end of November 2023 - £1,561.38

The balance has been boosted by the Flutter entry payments up to the end of December.

We also have £600.00 in the Savings Account held for future events from the funds from the Christmas Carol Event, and a further £750 transferred from the current account for the benefit of the village community. In addition, as of the year end we have £20.23 interest on the savings.

TOTAL in the Savings Account - £1,370.23

TOTAL FUNDS - £2,924.30 (Current Account plus Savings Account)

Movements since the last meeting in November are:-

PAYMENTS IN -

- £672.00 - Flutter member payments for 2024

TOTAL PAYMENTS IN = £672.00

PAYMENTS OUT -

- £50.00 - Flutter winner for November
- £10.00 - HSBC Monthly bank charges September
- £95.00 - Christmas Presents for the Farnley Tyas School children (Books)
- £50.00 - Annual Accounts Audit Fee

TOTAL PAYMENTS OUT = £205.00

The current bank balance now includes at the moment - held as follows:-

- £650.00 - We have held for future Flutter winners (3 in January and then one each month)
- £900.00 - We should still hold approx £900.00 towards our future funds / buffer and running costs etc., until we start our own fund raising again as COVID rules are now relaxed.
- £300.00 - from the Annual Grant from Kirkburton Parish Council for the flower tubs/ village upkeep, Room rent etc., annual grant for 2023

TOTAL to hold in the FTCCG Current Account is approx £1,850.00

This still leaves approx £770 held in the FTCCG Savings Account we could still use towards a good cause and benefit for the village community. Plus also £600 in reserve from the Christmas Carol Event.

I have also sent in the Annual General Grant Application to Kirkburton Parish Council for £300 with a decision later and, if successful, payments in April/May 2024.

The Year End Accounts (End September each year) have now been audited and completed for the Year End Audit and are available.

Thanks were expressed to the Treasurer for his report.

5. Council Updates

*Kirklees Council

Kirklees Council have bought a new bin wagon fleet despite financial pressures. However larger size of new vehicles is causing access issues. Annual budget meeting will be in March rather than the usual February. £47m in savings to be identified.

Central Library has been moved to Civic Centre 1 during regeneration works. Scheduled to move back at some stage of the development.

*Kirkburton Parish Council

Kirkburton Parish Council has yet to set its annual budget. The village noticeboard has been taken down for refurbishment.

“D Day 80” event to be held on 6th June 2024, asking for beacons to be lit and church bell ringing on the day. RB to forward details for the FTCCG Committee to consider how we can participate.

Thanks were offered for providing the village Christmas tree.

6. Correspondence

Storthes Hall Community Consultation Leaflet

The Secretary circulated these details in December: Ubrique Investments Ltd have instructed Johnson Mowat Planning & Development Consultants to submit an Outline Planning Application for the residential development of land at Storthes Hall for 261 residential units plus redevelopment of Lodge Cottage for ‘a residential use’.

Please see the link below for the information leaflet that has been delivered to residents on Storthes Hall Road. <https://www.johnsonmowat.co.uk/public-consultations/storthes-hall>

On the website you can download a copy of the supporting plans together with an electronic feedback form for submitting any comments.

There are no details on the website of how long the public consultation will be open for is available.

If you would like to take part in this public consultation, please email consultation@johnsonmowat.co.uk. with your comments Alternatively, you can write to Johnson Mowat Planning, Coronet House, Queen Street, Leeds, LS1 2TW.

NB, the leaflet also makes it clear that this is a totally separate development to the approved application 2005/91330 for the erection of continuing care retirement community of approx 300 units, residential care home, central community facilities on the former Storthes Hall Hospital site. The leaflet also states that there is no commercial link between the developers or developments.

Meeting noted that discussions around the planned 300 homes (retirement community) have been ongoing for many years.

Re the additional 261 houses, concerns were expressed around traffic at the junction of Storthes Hall Road with Penistone Road and also rat-running through Farnley Tyas, causing significantly more traffic than currently. What traffic mitigation would there be? There is no planning application at this stage, this is pre-consultation. Noted that the Storthes Hall site does form part of the Local Plan from 2019 so development will happen, therefore important to have input and consider how to mitigate impact.

Decision on Public Footpath Planning Applications (Moor Lane and Farnley Bank)

It was reported that at the 9th November 2023 meeting of the Kirklees Council Planning Sub-Committee (Heavy Woollen Area), it was unanimously agreed to adopt both footpaths.

Records of the decisions can be viewed at:

<https://democracy.kirklees.gov.uk/ieListDocuments.aspx?CId=150&MId=7460>

The application in respect of Farnley Bank was made in 2019. Two applications were made in respect of Moor Lane (in 1996 and 1997).

Now waiting for footpath signs to be installed. Some maintenance will be required on the paths.

7. Tidy Tyas

Tidy Tyas will be meeting on Saturday 6th January. There is a new regular starting time of **10.00 am**, meeting at 4 New Lane Terrace.

Please come along and help keep our village litter free. Equipment provided.

NW often receives apologies, particularly in bad weather, when people are unable to attend. These are welcome but it is really not necessary to do so. We are very grateful for everyone who takes part.

8. Film Club

It was reported that Film Club continued to enjoy good attendance. There is a slightly larger screen in place now, having been approved as a permanent fixture in St Lucius Church.

Dates of future films:

- Friday 19th January – The Great Escape
- Friday 16th February – The Old Oak
- Friday 15th March – Napoleon

Doors open at 6.30 pm, films start at 7.00 pm.

9. A.O.B

*Community Café

The FTCS has a regular slot running the café on the fourth Tuesday of the month. If anyone is available between now and July, please put names on list available from FH at the February meeting.

*Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator

At the February FTCS meeting, Bev Fox, local Neighbourhood Watch Co-ordinator has been invited to attend to provide a talk on Fraud and Scam awareness. NW wants to reinvigorate Neighbourhood Watch in the village and raise awareness particularly amongst newer residents. Intending to hold a short pre-meeting discussion between Bev and village watch co-ordinators.

*Advent windows

Lots of positive feedback has been received. Thanks to everyone who took part in such a special event which really showcased the village. Photos of all windows can be seen on the FTCS website <https://www.farnleytyas.com/advent-windows-2023>

*Garden Gang

Next 'Garden Gang' session to be held on Saturday 23rd March, further details to be confirmed.

*FTCG Committee Meeting

Next meeting being held on 16th January. As agreed, an update will be provided at the February general meeting and shared in the minutes.

*NyteBeat

Following their performance at the FTCG Christmas social, NyteBeat sent their thanks for everyone who supported the event, which helped them to raise £250.

10. Farnley Flutter

FH reported that 99 members are now signed up which is a record. This includes 11 new members. This had resulted in additional money for FTCG funds on top of that which was ring-fenced to fund FTCG website fees and the cost of 4 newsletters throughout the year.

FH, JW and JF were commended for the fantastic effort in getting so many members signed up.

Three winning numbers were drawn. There was no draw in December last year (where there would normally be 2 draws) due to the difficulties in some standing order payments due to arrive after the December meeting.

Winning numbers are 39, 95 and 72 and the lucky winners have been informed

The Treasurer proposed moving the double draw permanently from the December meeting to the January meeting for the administrative reasons stated above. This was seconded by FH.

11. Date and Time of next meeting

The next FTCG meeting will be Wednesday 7th February – 7.15 pm at the Bowling Club.

We hope you can join us.

Proposed:-

Seconded:-

Signed:-

Dated:-