



Farnley Tyas Community Group Minutes

Wednesday 2 July 2025, 7.15pm.

Farnley Tyas Bowling Club

Agenda Number	Item	Action
1	Welcome and Introductions NW welcomed everyone to the meeting. In attendance: NW, BH, SM, RW, JW, FH, PH, MH, LR, MB, BA, NH, JD, NS, JW, KH, CE.	
2	Apologies JF, JH, NC, R&KB, B&CM, CL, RB, J&JL, R&JF, SAR, TP.	
3	Minutes of the last meeting (2 June 2025) were approved and seconded.	
4	Matters Arising (not on the Agenda) There were none.	
5	Represent the interests and concerns of village residents to the local authorities and other stakeholders	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Council updates <p>BA said that a last minute decision had been made by Kirklees Council to refuse to place hanging baskets on metal lampposts because of concerns about added weight. However it was reported that the hanging baskets are now in place. BA also confirmed that due to continued financial pressure Kirklees Council are tightening up on policies around weeding, grass cutting etc. A concern is the triangle of grass where St Helen's Gate joins Woodsome Road. When not cut this impairs the view of oncoming traffic. Kirklees have said they will cut this.</p> <p>KH asked whether government funds earmarked for repairing potholes would be used for that purpose. BA confirmed that when funding is provided for a specific purpose it will be used for that.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Traffic Calming <p>NW gave an update. A meeting with our MP, Jade Botterill, and the Traffic Tempering group has been arranged for 22 August at 5.30pm. He sent a further email to Mark Scarman at Kirklees. He has left his role and his replacement Mr McMood has acknowledged receipt. He will try to get a response back to NW.</p> <p>Another video has been made of dangerous driving in the village. DC suggested a campaign similar to that being used in Emley would help. NW will consider this.</p>	NW to invite community police officer to future meeting.
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Neighbourhood watch. <p>Door cameras have shown a young looking person trying car door handles and approaching houses. NW asked everyone to be vigilant and noted the advantages of sharing information like this.</p>	NW to invite neighbourhood watch to a future meeting.

6	Organize and support various initiatives and projects that benefit the village and its residents	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Church updates <p>KH gave the following update on events:</p> <p>12 July - Craft Exhibition raising funder to help our twin parish in Tanzania to buy 3 sewing machines. This will help women in the village work and support their families. From 10.30 to 3.30, admission is £7.50 and includes delicious refreshments. This is a village initiative and involves the Art group, Knit and Natter as well as the Church.</p> <p>7 July – start of a new pilates class at 2.30pm. Chair Pilates for all ages and abilities. £7 per session.</p> <p>13 July – Our new Vicar, Rob Savage will hold his first service at St Lucius.</p> <p>16 July - The Kings Men Singers from Cambridge will be performing in the church. Tickets are available £20 from Richard Wood or St. Lucius (tickets selling fast)</p> <p>Sunday 14th September at 9.30 A special all parish service conducted by The Bishop of Huddersfield Rt. Rev. P Smytha in celebration of Creation Tide</p> <p>KH said that consultation on the restoration of the Wardroper grave was underway. This lasts for one month. Details are on the notice board if anyone wants to raise an objection.</p> <p>Compost is again available to be purchased from the churchyard. £2 per bag or £5 per wheelbarrow load.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Knit and Natter <p>This group continues to thrive, attendance is increasing. Meeting are on Thursday evenings at the Golden Cock between 7.00 and 9.00pm. Two entries from group members won prizes at Honley Show.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • WI <p>The June meeting included an artist who gave a talk whilst painting. The July meeting will be at Field café.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Garden Gang • Farnley in Bloom <p>Judging is expected within the first few days of July. LH confirmed she would be checking the Rec was in order.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farnley Walkers <p>There will be no walk in July.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farnley Readers <p>The book this month is Shuggie Bain which will be discussed on 23 July 7.00pm in the Golden Cock function room.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farnley Flutter <p>The draw for July was made, the winner was in the room. As there is no meeting in August the draw for then was made and the winner will be informed.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Farnley Festival <p>DC reported that a provisional date had been identified but could not</p>	

	<p>be confirmed until approval by Rochester Bridge Trust re: use of their land again as an option.</p> <p>FH informed the meeting of the disruption the festival had caused to her household and impact on their pet dog, and asked that consideration be made to changing the venue.</p> <p>FTCG also copied in to a correspondence SR also requesting consideration of change in venue due to noise and impact on baby not being able to sleep.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Farnley Tyas Arts and Cinema Club <p>The next screening will be in September and the programme will be available by late July.</p>	
7	Provide a platform for dialogue, cooperation, and mutual assistance among the residents	
	FH agreed to take over watering etc. of the container outside the pub.	
8	Encourage the participation and involvement of all residents in the group's activities and decision-making	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Finance Update <p>The Treasurer gave a financial update with very little change in the last month.</p> <p>Current cheque book account balance is at the end of June 2025 - £1,564:35. The value at the end of June 2025 was £1,619:35</p> <p>TOTAL in the savings account - £1,153</p> <p>TOTAL Funds - £2,717:35</p> <p>Movements in June are:-</p> <p>PAYMENTS IN</p> <p>- £0:00</p> <p>TOTAL PAYMENTS IN - £0:00</p> <p>PAYMENTS OUT</p> <p>- £50:00 - Flutter winner - June draw</p> <p>- £5:00 - HSBC Monthly bank charges</p> <p>TOTAL PAYMENTS OUT - £55:00</p> <p>From the TOTAL funds (current and savings account) now includes at the moment held in reserve for potential future costs are:-</p> <p>- £300 - For future Flutter winners</p> <p>- £900 - We should hold for potential future running costs</p>	

	<p>- £40 - Left from the £300 annual grant from KBPC.</p> <p>TOTAL - £1,240</p> <p>from the TOTAL funds (current and savings accounts) of £2,717 - this leaves approximately £1,477 of which £600 is held from the last Christmas Carol event which was requested to hold in case another production event being arranged?. This leaves approximately £880 that we could spend on an approved Village improvement or event.</p> <p>NOTE:- We have received on the 1st July - £1,500 contribution from the Farnley Festival event with kind thanks. I will report fully on this in next moths report for July accounts. This amount will be transferred from the Current Account to the savings Account. This money must be used for the good of the village and the festival organisers would like some say in approval of its use.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Community Fundraising Scheme <p>It was previously agreed to use this fund for village entry markers, however Kirklees Highway department are still not responding well which is very frustrating.</p> <p>NW said that the fund is healthy and asked everyone to consider suggestions on how to spend this for the good of the village.</p> <p>KH suggested a Petanque court on the recreation ground. NW agreed to look into the feasibility. BA kindly agreed to forward details from Thurstonland who have been through this process.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Newsletter <p>The Autumn newsletter is due in early September so articles are required by late July. Suggestions for articles were discussed and will be followed up.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Supporting local business 	
8	Preserve and celebrate the cultural, historical, and natural heritage of the village	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Field Lane <p>No further issues raised</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Yew Trees Farm <p>No further issues raised</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> Tidy Tyas <p>The next Tidy will take place on 5 July 2025.</p>	
9	<p>AOB</p> <p>LR asked if anyone knew who was responsible for the benches on Field Lane/Toft Lane as one of these was in need of repair. It was suggested that they had been made by Roebucks. MB agreed to ask RB what he knew. It is possible a parish council grant could be secured for this repair.</p> <p>NW said that following the August break and September meeting he proposed that the AGM was held at the October meeting so he could hand over to the new chair. He said he would circulate an email via the mailing list and write an article for the newsletter to seek interest for a</p>	

	new chair and committee members. NW also proposed a 'Big Autumn Quiz' for after the AGM as per last year. This was favourable to those present.	
	Date and Time of next meeting Wednesday 2 September 2025, 7.15pm. Farnley Tyas Bowling Club	SM

Approved

Seconded