



Farnley Tyas Community Group Minutes
Wednesday 5th June, 2024

	ITEM
1	<p>Welcome and Apologies</p> <p>Present: PB, DG, NW (Chair), BH-W (Minutes), JD, JW (Treasurer), KB, JF, FH, JH, GE, BA, MB, RBa, RBe, AJ, KH, MH, PH, SK, JD, NS, RH, CH</p> <p>Apologies: LH, NH, CE, JoL, JuL, JWo, RW, TH, RF, NC</p>
2	<p>Declaration of Interest:</p> <p>None</p>
3	<p>Accuracy of Previous Minutes / Adoption:</p> <p>Proposed: FH</p> <p>Seconded: JH</p>
4	<p>Matters Arising (not covered in agenda)</p> <p>Traffic Calming - NW has emailed highways for advice, no response as yet.</p> <p>Re: letter issued to Kirklees about Yew Tree Farm and breach of planning conditions, no response as yet. NW to chase response. Update provided - applications being put forward by applicant to discharge conditions. A resident has held discussions with developer and reported that according to the developer demolition of barns outside the conservation area began in March. Assumed at that point that could continue with all demolitions. South entrance to site was used for demolition of modern barns on land not owned by developer. Stopped works after that point. Discharged pre-commencement conditions (archaeological concerns) on 28th May. Anticipating further demolition work on Grade 2 listed barns to begin later this month.</p>

	<p>Committee secretary still required, please contact the committee via FTCCG email if interested: farnleytyascommunitygroup@gmail.com</p>
<p>5</p>	<p>FTCCG Survey Findings</p> <p>A huge thank you to all those who responded to the Farnley Tyas Community Group Survey! Total of 31 responses</p> <p>JD provided a summary of the results as follows:</p> <p>An encouraging 90% respondents feel satisfied that we're representing your interests and organising initiatives that benefit the community as a whole.</p> <p>There were some great suggestions for future initiatives too, including: researching traffic calming measures, establishing a walking / running group, investment in eco projects, food / plant swaps from budding gardeners and painting / yoga classes.</p> <p>Social and entertainment events also remain high on everyone's priority list and with 70% of participants expressing interest in helping out, we hope to grow from strength to strength.</p> <p>Some less positive feedback was perception of group as being a pressure group / opposed to any development / small core group having disproportionate influence.</p> <p>Issue of fundraising being donated to charity rather than being used to improve the village. Should put money aside for future improvements. Countered by view that no significant fundraising activity has been undertaken in recent years for a variety of reasons and that feedback has been sought about village improvements multiple times with very limited suggestions coming forward.</p> <p>General consensus was to come up with a shortlist of proposals according to feasibility, overall cost etc. and conduct survey of which are most popular and should be progressed.</p> <p>If you have any further suggestions, please contact us at farnleytyascommunitygroup@gmail.com</p> <p>Thanks to JD for hard work on the survey and analysis. Important to give residents opportunity for feedback and to make clear that FTCCG is open to everybody. Noted we are limited in capacity to provide services/groups without volunteers willing to come forward to lead on specific activities. Views expressed that some of the comments don't reflect the efforts that have been made e.g. traffic calming. Just because desired aim hasn't been achieved doesn't mean nothing is being done behind the scenes.</p> <p>Suggestion of a newsletter to go out quarterly / latest news section of website to show what FTCCG has been doing. View that group should be celebrating our successes more and need methods with a broader reach than just the contact email list and including information in minutes</p>

	<p>Given local authority's limited resources, is there an option to privately fund speed calming measures if that is what matters to residents? Different views held but likely to be a lot of legislative and administrative considerations.</p> <p>Playground improvement funds – still going ahead across the district but Farnley Tyas appears to have been bumped down the list because of past FTCCG contributions from fundraising to donate some improved facilities.</p>
<p>6</p>	<p>Revised Constitution</p> <p>BH-W gave a summary of proposed changes. New document had been circulated in advance. Rationale was that Committee had reflected on views voiced in earlier meetings and felt there was a need to clarify distinction between the FTCCG and the Committee, set out powers and duties of the Committee. Principles and purpose of the community group clarified in the document.</p> <p>The revised constitution was agreed with no objections.</p> <p>Thanks expressed to BH-W for work on the constitution.</p>
<p>7</p>	<p>Open Forum</p> <p>Focus on positive news / developments in the village.</p> <p>Request to acknowledge the work that Steve Auckland has done to renovate the pinfold just outside the village. Lot of effort gone into restoring it. Possible news article to go in newsletter / website.</p> <p>Book about Farnley Tyas history published by Honley Civic Society. Book details to be circulated and how to obtain a copy.</p> <p>In churchyard, the Wardroper family grave has been uncovered during works, this clearly had a very grand memorial stone but it is now in a poor state of repair. Needs specialist restoration, possibly costly.</p>
<p>8</p>	<p>Financial Statement</p> <p>Current Cheque book account balance end of May is £1,367.27. The value at the end of April was £1,742.00.</p> <p>TOTAL in the Savings Account: £1,427.02</p> <p>TOTAL FUNDS: £2,794.29</p> <p>Movements since the last meeting in May: PAYMENTS IN: £0.00</p>

	<p>TOTAL PAYMENTS IN: £0.00</p> <p>PAYMENTS OUT:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £319.73 New Flower Tubs and New Compost etc., for Village Centre • £5.00 HSBC Monthly Bank Charge • £50.00 Flutter winner for April winner (late payment) <p>TOTAL PAYMENTS OUT - £374.73</p> <p>The current bank balance now includes at the moment - held in reserve as follows:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • £450 we have held for future Flutter winners (still have to pay the May winner, waiting for bank transfer details) • £900 held towards our future funds/buffer and running costs) • £22 from the Annual Grant from Kirkburton Parish Council 2023 towards our running costs. <p>TOTAL to hold in the FTGC Current Account - £1,372</p> <p>This still leaves approx. £827 held in the FTGC Savings Account we could still use towards a good cause and benefit for the Village Community.</p> <p>Note, £300 from the savings account will be transferred to our current cheque book account in June to contribute towards the new flower tubs etc..., as well as the £600 in reserve from the last Christmas Carol Event.</p> <p>We have now received the Annual Grant for 2024 from Kirkburton Parish Council (KBPC) for £300. Many thanks to KBPC once again.</p>
<p>9</p>	<p>Council Updates</p> <p>Kirklees:</p> <p>Following Local Election on 2nd May, previously Labour council has moved to no overall political control. Annual Council held on May 22nd , a number of Labour Councillors resigned on the day of the meeting. Leader of Council resigned from Labour Group but has opted to remain as Leader as was elected for a 4 year term, has appointed a smaller Cabinet. Another Council meeting on 17th July. Whilst this is legal, it's not clear what will happen to the council financial position as the current situation unfolds.</p> <p>Thanks for residents being vigilant about reporting fly-tipping. Also to relevant Council team who are generally very responsive to reports. Agreed to add a link to website about how to report fly-tipping. And include in newsletter.</p> <p>Kirkburton PC:</p>

	<p>The parish council hoping a new clerk will be appointed soon. Hanging baskets should be displayed imminently.</p>
10	<p>St Lucius</p> <p>Lots of activity reported. Jumble sale raised £602. Thanks to everyone who donated and helped on the day. Unsold items have been distributed between 6 local and international organisations.</p> <p>Foraging walk – 12 participants were led by a registered medical herbalist. Very interesting event, she has agreed to give a talk in September as there were some who would be interested but can't manage the walk.</p> <p>Film Club has changed to Arts and Cinema Club and aims to broaden its range to include concerts, plays and productions.</p> <p>Film nights are returning in September, dates to be shared.</p> <p>Church bells ringing at 6.30 for D-Day (see item 12)</p> <p>Church will be a polling station for General Election.</p> <p>Saturday 13th June - Churchyard Eco Working Party . Thanks to everyone who has helped so far, it is really making a difference.</p> <p>29th June 6.30 Organ Recital by Daniel Bezkorowajnyj, who will be giving a farewell concert as he prepares to return to Wales after three years as the organist.</p> <p>Various events coming up including theatre, a craft fair, fashion event and jazz concert. Dates to be shared and circulated.</p> <p>Community Café – there is a new flexible rota, FTCCG volunteers are not just restricted to a fixed week in the month. Seems to be working well. KH to send out rota to those who've volunteered.</p>
11	<p>Tidy Tyas</p> <p>Saturday 8th June, 10am – 11am, meet at 4 New Lane Terrace. Lots of litter observed, please support. Equipment provided (apart from sturdy gloves).</p>
12	<p>D-Day 80</p> <p>Thursday 6th June. Church bells will ring at 6.30pm, Field are providing Fish and Chips supper to support commemorations (take out as well as sit down), lantern of peace will be lit at 9.15, at the memorial, alongside reading of the international tribute. JD from Field expressed thanks to community for</p>

	<p>supporting and involving the, pleased to report that fish and chips is fully booked.</p> <p>NW thanked those supporting the commemorations and encouraged people to attend the lighting of the lantern of peace at 9.15pm at the War Memorial.</p>
13	<p>Garden Gang</p> <p>Met on Saturday 1st June, a small group took part, feeling that a few more are needed to share the workload. September session will be important as lots of work to do.</p> <p>Discussion about an item which had been raised at an earlier meeting about the working of the Garden Gang and role of the FTCCG Committee. It was clarified that the Committee has no authority over what work is undertaken in the recreation ground or desire to oversee work, but neither should they be asked to arbitrate over differences of opinion over plans. Those who are involved are asked to communicate ideas and plans and reach consensus. Requests for funding for projects needs to come to the Committee before money is spent, rather than retrospectively.</p> <p>Thanks expressed to everyone who contributes to the work of the Garden Gang and what a great resource it is for the village.</p>
14	<p>Dry Stone Walling</p> <p>Next session Wednesday 19th June 6pm, please spread the word and try and support. Change in time to try and generate more interest. Session will be followed by libations at the pub!</p>
15	<p>Bench Replacement, Recreation Ground</p> <p>RW will be looking into applying to the village improvement fund for replacements. Application will be better received if village is also prepared to contribute towards the cost.</p> <p>One branch is rotten and beyond repair. Offer was made to repair the remaining one if feasible.</p>
16	<p>Website www.farnleytyas.com</p> <p>Demonstration given of new website. This is still being developed but lots of progress since last meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NEW - Useful Info for New Residents section • Gallery – feel free to share any photos and memories of village life to be included

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Info section – short descriptions of local businesses, clubs. This is being added to. Intention is to provide a summary and links to their own websites and social media rather than duplicating their content • Proposed – village news section. To provide updates and supplement the village newsletters • Proposed – Key documents/downloads. Can store meeting minutes/agendas and constitution etc. <p>Committee to discuss options for seeking donations from local businesses who are willing to contribute towards running costs, rather than formal sponsorship, advertising etc. This approach has worked well in the past.</p> <p>Opportunity for business cards with website and social media details which could be distributed</p> <p>Positive feedback about the website and thanks expressed to NS for hard work (and for coming to demonstrate on his birthday!)</p>
17	<p>Garden Safari & Evening Buffet</p> <p>6th July 2pm – 6pm, £5.00 per person, cash only (accompanied children free, no dogs).</p> <p>Buffet supper at Field at 7pm (needs to be prepaid and pre-ordered by 29th June), £25 per head. Booked through FH or to FTCEG email, details to be circulated.</p> <p>In event of bad weather, will make decision as to whether to go ahead before 12 on the day. Supper will go ahead in any event.</p> <p>Generally event is open to residents and those with a village connection (for example WI and Bowling Club members rather than the general public, but residents can bring along family members from outside the village.</p> <p>Thanks to FH and for those who are displaying their gardens, hopefully the weather will be kind.</p>
18	<p>Farnley Readers</p> <p>Next read is 'A Man Called Ove', Fredrick Backman, 7pm, 12th June at the pub -all welcome!</p>
19	<p>Farnley Flutter</p> <p>Winning number is 30, lucky winner has been notified.</p>
20	<p>AOB</p>

	<p><u>Ivy Farm Track</u></p> <p>NW has written on behalf of FT CG re: failure to comply with conditions to return track to former state as stipulated by planning. Council are due to inspect.</p> <p><u>Defibrillator</u></p> <p>FTCG is now responsible for this. Pads and possible battery replacement needed. KH to apply for parish council grant on behalf of FT CG, as required.</p> <p><u>Meeting Length</u></p> <p>It was noted that the meeting had extended to almost 2 hours and NW asked for views about whether members were happy with this, noted there were lots of useful discussions and contributions. A variety of views were expressed and it was agreed that meetings would continue to work through agenda items up until 9.00 pm at the latest. Any agenda items not covered would be carried over to the following meeting. Members were able to leave the meeting earlier if they wished.</p>
	<p>Date and Time of Next Meeting:</p> <p>Wednesday 3rd July, 7.15pm, Farnley Tyas, Bowling Club</p>
	<p>Contact:</p> <p>Email: farnleytyascommunitygroup@gmail.com Website: www.farnleytyas.com Facebook: www.facebook.com/FarnleyTyas2015 Instagram: farnleytyascommunitygroup</p>

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