



# FAIRLIGHT PARISH COUNCIL

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## **Draft Minutes of the Extraordinary Full Council Meeting** **10th December 2024 at Fairlight Memorial Hall 7.00 pm**

**Present:** Cllr S Baker, Cllr M Clarke, Cllr L Cooke, Cllr L Miller, Cllr G Smith (Vice Chair), Cllr S Stewart (Chair)

**In attendance:** Danielle Gould, Clerk & RFO. Councillor Grohne of Rother District Council. Five members of the public were present.

**The Chair to open the meeting at 7.00 pm.**

**24/264 Item 1. The Chair will invite members of the public to comment or ask questions on any matters in respect of the business on the agenda.** There were none.

**24/265 Item 2. To record any apologies for absence.** Apologies from Cllr D Pichard, Cllr Whiteman and Rother District Councillor, Andrew Mier.

**24/266 Item 3. Code of Conduct and Disclosure of Interests - To receive any disclosures by members, of personal or prejudicial interest in matters on the agenda. Members are reminded a) to repeat their declaration immediately prior to commencement of the item in question and b) complete the declaration of interests form.** There were none.

**24/267 Item 4. To consider and approve the signing by the Chair of the attached minutes of:**

- a) The Finance and Administration meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> July 2024 **RESOLVED** It was agreed for Cllr Baker and Cllr Cooke to check minutes and confirm any amendments, minutes to be signed at next Full Council Meeting.
- b) The Finance and Administration meeting held on 12<sup>th</sup> November 2024 **RESOLVED** Minutes approved and signed, an amendment to be made on Item 6. (Under-spend on the salary budget of approximately £1400, amended to £14,000).
- c) The Full Parish Council meeting held on 26<sup>th</sup> November 2024 **RESOLVED** Minutes approved and signed.

### **Matters requiring a Decision by Council**

#### **24/268 Item 5. VE Day celebrations**

To consider organising VE Day celebrations. **RESOLVED** It was agreed for FPC to help organise celebrations. Cllr Smith will liaise with the FRA and produce a schedule available for the public.

A member of the public asked if it would be possible to reflect the beacon from France. **RESOLVED** The Chair said he will look into organising reflecting the beacon.

#### **24/269 Item 6. Finance and Administration committee**

To consider dissolving Finance and Admin Committee **RESOLVED** It was agreed to dissolve the Finance and Administration committee.



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## **24/270 Item 7. To discuss 2025/26 budget**

There was discussion regarding the electricity bill generated from the cliff generator. Cllr Baker suggested a more sustainable energy source, but Cllr Cooke said this has been investigated previously and it was unsuccessful. Cllr Grohne said he believes the vast proportion of the cost is the standing charge. FPC are of the understanding that some of the pumps are not working. Rother maintains the pumps and TPGeo carries out the repairs. **RESOLVED** FPC to further investigate.

The War Memorial was discussed, Cllr Baker proposed raising the amount in the budget for the War Memorial maintenance as some protection will be needed. **RESOLVED** It was agreed to reduce the costs allowed for Section 137 by £750 and raise the War Memorial Costs by £750 to £1000 in to cover maintenance and a rail to protect the War Memorial. The Clerk is to check the insurance to make sure the War Memorial is covered.

## **24/271 Item 8. Date and venue for next meeting**

28<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

Meeting Closed 8.27 pm.

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