

**Minutes of the**  
**Fernwood Central Residents' Association (FCRA) Committee Meeting**  
**Held at 19:15 hrs on Wednesday 30<sup>th</sup> October 2024**  
**Fernwood Village Hall**

**1. Attendance:**

Present		Apologies
John Newton (JN)	Henry Micah (HM)	Brenda Wright (BW)
Nick Roberts (NR)	Terry McSwiney (TM)	
David Heath (DH)		
Barry Smith (BS)		

**2. Previous Minutes**

Proposed as a true record – HM, Seconded - NR  
 – Carried unanimously

**Matters Arising**

NR reported that he had contacted the Newark and Sherwood District Council again regarding the broken fencing around the Clock Tower. NSDC confirmed that they had contacted the owner 3 times but that there has been no progress. NR will continue to follow up.

**3. Chair's Report**

- i. JN reported that he had made slow progress regarding a meeting with FirstPort and that he would explain more at item 6.

**4. Secretary's Report**

DH reported that he had contacted 2 residents who had reported delays with FirstPort over house sales. The solicitor for one had been waiting nearly 3 months for a response despite weekly reminders. DH was able to provide the information required to one resident and the open space insurance certificate was now available on the Creatio site.

**5. Treasurer's Report**

- i. BS explained the current financial statement and the updating of the approved officers on the bank account.

**6. Progress Updates**

- i. Freedom of Information Request to the Parish Council  
 DH reported that he had contacted a local publisher for further information on the FPC use of Section 22 exemption under the Freedom of information act and that they had expressed interest. He is waiting for a response.
- ii. Proposed meeting with FirstPort.  
 JN reported that despite offering Chrissie Sharpe, the Area Manager a choice of dates within a 2 week period, there had initially been no response. He had sent further reminders and included those on the previous circulation list. The Barratt Homes representative had responded and confirmed that he had also received no response from FirstPort and would be interested in attend a meeting if one could be arranged. Eventually, a response was received from CS that neither she nor Vanessa Crane were available during October. JN will now offer alternative dates in November.

- iii. Notice Board  
BS provided a laser cut sign for inclusion in the new Notice Board

#### **7. Task Volunteers**

- i. Volunteers were requested to undertake research work on the Deed of Variation and Budget examination. TM volunteered to work on the Deed of Variation as she was currently engaged in a DoV request. No volunteers were found for the budget work.

#### **8. December Meeting**

Members were asked to approve the alternative December meeting date of Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December due to no meeting room being available on the first choice of dates.

The 19<sup>th</sup> of December was approved.

#### **Future meetings:**

Committee Meeting - Wednesday 27<sup>th</sup> November 2024 at 7:15pm – Village Hall

Committee Meeting - Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> December 2024 at 7:15pm – Village Hall

#### **Meeting Closed 20:40 hrs**