

Minutes of the
Fernwood Central Residents' Association (FCRA) Committee Meeting
Held at 19:15 hrs on Wednesday 27th March 2024
Fernwood Village Hall

1. Attendance:

Present		Apologies
John Newton (JN)		Dee Harrison (DVH)
Henry Micah (HM)		Nick Roberts (NR)
David Heath (DH)		Paul Janson (PJ)
Barry Smith (BS)		

2. Previous Minutes

Proposed as a true record – BS, Seconded - HM

– Carried unanimously

• **Matters Arising**

The minutes referred to the introduction of a charge by web site provider Hugo Fox. No contact had been received by anyone and no request for payment made so we will wait and see what transpires.

3. Chair's Report

- i. Following a letter from JN to FirstPort, the Area manager Vanessa Crane had proposed the 27th March at 2.00p.m. for a meeting, which we had agreed and followed up with an agenda. She didn't attend the meeting, which was subsequently re-scheduled to Tuesday 1st April at 10.00 a.m..
- ii. Further to the letter from JN to the Parish Council on 11th February proposing an informal meeting, no meeting has yet been possible. JN had met with the Clerk to the PC twice without a date being able to be set. There has also been no response from the PC to that letter. All expressed concern at the lack of response from the PC.
- iii. Concern had been raised about antisocial behaviour. The Police have confirmed that additional patrols by the PCSOs will take place with the time being dependent on daylight hours.

4. Secretary's Report

- i. None

5. Treasurer's Report

- i. BS referred to his previously circulated report and confirmed the expenditure of £19.32 on Internet provision by Ionos was the only expenditure for that period.

6. Meeting with Robert Jenrick MP (RJ)

- i. DH referred to a brief discussion that he had had with RJ during a trip to the House of Commons. The discussion centred on the continuing problems with FirstPort and the effects of leasehold open spaces on freeholders. RJ had offered the opportunity to have a meeting with him about this. It was agreed that DH would write to RJ to request a meeting. An additional question to be included would be "Is he aware of any other MPs having similar issues regarding land ownership?"

7. Communications

- i. It was agreed that incoming emails would be forwarded via Gmail to FCRA officers to respond to. That Officers would, if they wished set up their own duck.com email account for responses. BS agreed to organise this over the Easter period.

8. Correspondence

Following a request from a local choir, it had been agreed that, in future, our meetings would be held in the small hall in order to release the large hall.

10. Dates for Future Meetings

Committee meetings:

Committee Meeting - Wednesday 24^h April 2024 at 7:15pm – Village Hall
Committee Meeting - Wednesday 29th May 2024 at 7:15pm – Village Hall
Committee Meeting - Wednesday 26th June 2024 at 7:15pm – Village Hall
Committee Meeting - Wednesday 31st July 2024 at 7:15pm – Village Hall

Public meetings:

AGM - (TBC)

Meeting Closed 20:15 hrs