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MINUTES OF THE FALDINGWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Memorial Hall Faldingworth

Wednesday 21st May 2025

Present: D. Waine (Chair) Debbie Whelan (Clerk), Cllrs W. Green, Cllr D. Dickinson, Cllr. J Land and Cllr. A Bradbury

One member of the public was present

25/05/01. Election of Chair and receive Declaration of Acceptance of Office

Councillor Waine opened the meeting. Cllr Green proposed and Cllr Land seconded, Cllr Waine as Chair. This was **APPROVED** unanimously. Cllr Waine signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office

25/05/02. To receive apologies and reasons for absence

An apology was received from Cllr. Sandford.

25/05/03. To receive Declarations of Acceptance of Office

Councillors completed Confirmations of receipt of Code of Conduct, Register of Interests (or confirmation of unchanged circumstances), and Acceptance of Office.

25/05/04. Election of Vice-Chair

Cllr Green was voted as Vice Chair.

25/05/05. To resolve to suspend the meeting to allow no more than 15 minutes of public forum

It was **RESOLVED** to suspend the meeting to allow for 15 minutes of public forum.

A parishioner was present with specific interest in feedback on the plans for speeding, and also for the Village Cleanup. These issues will be addressed in the items on the agenda. The parishioner also raised the poor attendance and participation of the people in the village. This is addressed in the agenda item addressing the Village Walkabout.

25/05/06. Confirmation of Parish Council Minutes

The Minutes of the Meeting of the 19 March 2025 were **APPROVED**.

25/05/07. Memorial Hall Management Committee

Cllr. Land was **UNANIMOUSLY** appointed as representative on the Memorial Hall Management Committee.

25/05/08. Playing field inspections

Cllr. Land has attended the Playing Field Inspection training and will take over the weekly Playing Field Inspection. It was **AGREED** that the Clerk was to follow up with WLDC with respect to the parameters of duties and issuing of the qualification.

25/05/09. Defibrillator maintenance

Cllr Waine is the current guardian of the defibrillator. It was **RESOLVED** that he continue in this role.

25/05/10. Speed Indicator Device

Cllr. Land and Cllr. Sandford will continue to monitor the Speed Indicator Device. Cllr. Sandford needs to purchase a battery for the computer for £21.88 for a new battery. It was **AGREED** that this be purchased.

The new Speed Indicator Device needs to be moved to the new pole which has been erected by Highways. We have permission to situate the old

indicator device outside Aelfric on the A46 and Juden on Spridlington Road. It was **AGREED** that this will be carried out by Cllr. Land.

It was **AGREED** that the Clerk is required to follow up on the signs with Graeme Butler from Highways. We have the correct number of volunteers for the Community Speedwatch project. It was **AGREED** that Cllr. Land follows this up.

25/05/11. Financial Matters, taking any required action

The Year End accounts were tabled and **ACCEPTED**.

Year End Accounts - to receive and approve reports

- Bank Reconciliation 2024/25 **APPROVED**
- Variance Report 2024/25 **APPROVED**
- Annual Governance Statement 2024/25 **APPROVED**
- Accounting Statements 2024/25 **APPROVED**
- Internal Auditors Report 2024/25 **APPROVED**

Recommendations from the tabled audit infer the following actions:

- The Clerk to prepare clear documentation completing the gaps in the audit.
- Move to online banking and caveat about changing banks
- Ensure there is continual reference to the approved budget

Payments

The following payments were **APPROVED**.

DD	Bank Charges to 4 April	£ 10.00
Cheque 101258	LALC Subscription and payment	£ 436.16
Cheque 101259	HMRC PAYE Clerk April and May	£ 163.60
Cheque 101260	Clerk Salary April and May	£ 246.04
Cheque 101261	Gallagher Annual insurance	£ 767.73
Cheque 101262	Clerk Clerk back pay - WFH	£ 360.00
Cheque 101263	Carl Thomas Audit fee	£ 150.00
TOTAL		£ 2133.53

The WLDC Precept was paid in. This reflects an income of £ 9562.00

As of the 4 May 2025, the balance in the CURRENT ACCOUNT stands at £22, 580.06

As of the 4 May 2025, the balance in the BUSINESS ACCOUNT stands at £31,415.90

25/05/12. Updates from outside bodies

There were no updates from any outside bodies.

25/05/13. Resident Issues, taking any required action

A parishioner had complained about the hole in the hedge on the playing field and the long grass. This was resolved by the Clerk.

25/05/14. Playing Field issues, taking any required action

A more formal fence is required to cover the gap in the hedge. This will be raised at the next meeting.

25/05/15. Planning matters

None received.

25/05/16 LALC training Scheme

Cllr. Land has attended a LALC training scheme for Playground Inspections. It was stressed that it would be beneficial to all new councillors to attend the LALC Councillor training

25/05/17. Any urgent items for discussion

It was noted that one Expression of Interest for co-option onto Council had been received, but that the applicant was only available at the next meeting. It was **AGREED** that co-option be held over until this meeting.

25/05/18. Co-option of Councillor

The Clerk has received no interest in the additional Councillor. This will be re-advertised

25/05/19. Clean-up of village

It was **AGREED** that the Clerk is to notify West Lindsey that we will be doing the clean up on Saturday 7th June. Participants are to meet at the Village Hall at 10am.

Cllr. Sandford will advertise the event on Facebook.

25/05/20. Cutting grass Kisimul triangle

Cllr. Waine raised that he cut the grass at the memorial site on the Kisimul triangle and that this needs to be picked up by another volunteer. It was **AGREED** that this become an item on the following agenda.

25/05/21. Next Meeting

The next meeting of the Parish Council is 23 July 2025 at 7.30pm.
The meeting closed at 20.52pm.