

Falstone Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting held on 5th November 2024

Present – S Jopling (chair), S Cowan, J Richardson, and S Walker. Plus R Stone.

No. Activity

- 1 Apologies for Absence - Both M Halliday and A Mansfield sent their apologies
- 2 No Public Participation
- 3 Minutes of the Previous Meeting
Previously circulated, were agreed and signed as a true record.
- 4 Matters Arising
Trees at Braeside – The felling licence has been submitted to Forestry Commission
- 5 Planning Applications – Circulated during the month, with no objections to any.
24NP0104 – Retrospective application for pergola at The Cottage, Falstone.
24/06321/FUL – Forestry England for install of 44 solar panels at tree cold store, Hawkhope.
24/03677/FUL – Forestry England for install of 1 free standing EVCP at Hawkhope Depot.
- 6 Correspondence
The Post Office, held in the village hall has closed as the postmaster resigned. The Post Office are looking to restore a service, maybe a mobile unit.

A request for a prize donation for the Upper North Tyne Group, which aims to subsidise events ie panto trip and summer trip, was refused. The parish council are not in a position to give out prizes.
- 7 Financial
The bank balance at 28 October was £12712.56.
A summary of the accounts at the 6 month stage had been circulated. Lloyds Bank propose changing the PC account to a Community Account. The Community Account will charge an account maintenance fee of £4.25 per month.

A Remembrance Wreath has been purchased for £20.00 and will be laid at the memorial on Sunday 11th.

8 Tennis Court – A rather lengthy report had been received from CAN, regarding the relationship of the Tennis Court, The Croft and Village Hall with the Parish Council and the village hall committee. It was agreed to ask Tracy Morgan from CAN, to attend a meeting to simplify details in her report.

9 Village Hall Update – Nothing to report

10 AO B
Agreed to report a pot hole at The Barn, in Yarrow.

Apparently if a household wheelie bin gets damaged, it is the responsibility of the household to replace it.

As the refuse wagon now collects from Hawkhope Farm, it was suggested the bins for High Hawkhope be moved from Hawkhope Road, up there too.

Sadly Mr J Richardson, due to ill health, handed in his resignation from the parish council. He was thanked for his local knowledge and contribution made to parish matters. The appropriate notices will be posted for the vacancy.

Down at Donkleywood, on the roadside there is a bundle of rolled redundant barb wire, which could be hazardous. NCC would be asked to investigate.

Signed

Date

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