

Minutes of Meeting of Forthampton Parish Council held on Thursday 12 September 2019 at 7.45pm in the Village Hall.

Present: Mrs L Remmer, J Holloway, M Russell, R Reed

Apologies: G Bloxham

- 1 Minutes of meeting held on 11 July were discussed and approved.
- 2 Report on meeting with Fisher German which took place in the morning.
  - 2.1 Fisher German requested that information on “brown bins” be included in the next issue of the Village Information Sheet.
  - 2.2 Properties – Sanctuary Cottage will be renovated over the winter, hoping to let this in the spring. No progress on the sale of Downend Farm or the planning on Vine Farm.
  - 2.3 Broadband – Negotiations with Gigaclear were discussed. There has been a change in the plans which now do not reach western parts of the village. The council was requested to contact Gigaclear to chase up this problem.
  - 2.4 The shoot was discussed and it was expressed that employees should observe the speed limits, not drop litter and be aware of walkers on footpaths. They must also be aware of where all the footpaths are and ensure some system is in place for people’s safety. Also make sure that the tenant farmers maintain the footpaths and stiles. The council inspected a footpaths map and were made aware of which footpaths had problems.
  - 2.5 The Estate will be making a contribution towards the Village Hall fencing.
  - 2.6 The Estate are checking on trees to ensure there are no problems.
- 3 First Aid – The Village Hall have details of the GCC contact to arrange suitable training dates.
- 4 Defibrillator – GB will be asked if he can learn the “checking system” on this as back up to LR.
- 5 LR will contact Staunton Surgery regarding their proposed visit.
- 6 White Gates – LR has checked with residents living near the church and they do not feel that white gates would be of use here. Various solutions to traffic speeding were discussed and solutions used in other locations inspected. The main area of concern is

the crossroad near the war memorial and LR will contact the Highways Department to see if “slow” can be painted on the road.

- 7 Problem Dogs – There is a problem with a terrier on the main road through the village where it confronts dog walkers. The council decided that if walkers do have a problem they should be encouraged to contact the police.
- 8 Any Other Business:
  - 8.1 The Clerk is unable to attend the previously arranged December meeting and it was agreed to change this to Tuesday 10 December 2019.

The meeting closed at 8.35pm.