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Minutes of the Full Meeting of the Parish Council held at **Four Marks Village Hall** on **Wednesday 15th July 2026**.

Members Present: Cllr Briggs, Cllr Smith, Cllr Thomson, Cllr M Pullen, Cllr R Pullen, Cllr McAllister

In attendance: EHD Cllr Day, 1 member of the public Mrs Debbie Batley (Locum Clerk)

26.121 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE: were received from Cllr Gebbett and Cllr Coulson.

26.122 OPEN SESSION – PUBLIC PARTICIPATION: None

26.123 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS – None

26.124 FULL COUNCIL MINUTES

Upon the proposal of Cllr M Pullen, seconded by Cllr Smith and with all Councillors in agreement it was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes of the Meeting of Council held on Wednesday, 17th June 2026 and the Extraordinary Council meeting held on 8th July 2026.

26.125 CHAIRPERSON'S REPORT

None given

26.126 DISTRICT COUNCILLOR REPORT

To receive a report from the Ward Councillor, update on The National Scheme of Delegation

26.127 PLANNING COMMITTEE

26.127.1 The draft minutes of the Planning Committee meeting held on 1st July 2026 **were received and noted**

26.127.2 The Planning Committee would request the approval of the Full Council for the recommendation by the Planning Committee to update the requirement regarding the Barn Lane Development from a Village Shop to additional parking spaces, along with transport options to Oak Green. Planning committee on advice from NPSG believe that requesting a shop on barn lane site will not be deliverable and so request it is changed to delivering improvements to Oak Green and sustainable transport options which the developer is likely to agree to.

APPROVED by all Cllr present

26.127.3 Oral update on the briefing by the NPSG., given by Cllr McAllister

Some more additional policies have been added after review by planning consultant these are just areas not currently covered. Transport meeting on Thursday. Hope to make SEA screening application after review by NPSG on Thursday

26.127.4 Planning Applications for discussion:

[EHDC-26-0598-DCON](#)

Application Type: Discharge of Conditions

Application Proposal: Discharge Conditions 03 - Material, 04 - Access, 08 - Energy, 09 - Drainage, 12 - Services of approved application 60425/001 - Two detached houses and improvements to existing access

Applicant: Langdale Developments

Agent: AAP Architecture

Application Location: LAND TO THE SOUTHEAST OF SEMAPHORE FARM Telegraph Lane, Four Marks, Alton, Hampshire

Drainage tests have not been conducted to BRE365 requirements on two of the test pits. TP3 area will not be used for drainage other than permeable driveway, therefore not an issue. Plot 2 test TP2 was not done three times (twice should be three times and only to 75% which is allowed) shows very low infiltration rates and big difference between the first and second test.

This area is prone to water table perching as our chair knows very well from his soggy front garden. This is where although the water table is at 90m water ponds at a higher localised level due to impermeable superficial deposits of fine clay

Propose we say no objection to materials but note that drainage tests were not conducted to BRE365 making drainage field calculations suspect. Should be referred to LLFA before decision.

Planning Inspectorate Reference: 6011719

Appeal by: D Timms

Location: RAYNARDS REST Willis Lane, Four Marks, Alton, Hampshire, GU34 5AP

Proposal: Change of use of Agricultural Building to Dwelling

Appeal start date: 29/06/2026 - Please see Letter for Reference

We did not object to change of use so propose not to add anything to appeal

26.128 OPEN SPACES COMMITTEE

26.128.1 The minutes of the Open Spaces Committee meeting held on 1st July 2026 **were received and noted**

26.129 COMMUNITY FACILITIES COMMITTEE

26.129.1 The draft minutes of the meeting of the Community Facilities Committee held on 8th July **were received and noted**

26.129.2 To receive and request approval for a recommendation from the Community Facilities Committee for the Employee Agent required for the Benians Project – after following the Evaluation Criteria for the received tenders the Community Facilities Committee would recommend Tender D. Tender D is recommended due to the tender evaluation process narrowing down to two candidates, B and D and then because B although appears cheaper does not cover all the areas requested D is recommended as it delivers the tender brief without uncoded gaps. Comparing B and D quotes and making guesses on cost of gaps on B make them comparable.

Upon the proposal of Cllr Briggs, seconded by Cllr Thomson and with all Councillors in agreement it was RESOLVED to approve the CFC recommendation of Tender D

FINANCIAL ITEMS

26.130.1 To receive the following reports for the Financial Year 2026/27 to 30 June 2026:

- Expenditure against budget
- Balance Sheet
- Earmarked Reserves

Received and noted by all present

26.130.2 To note bank balances at end of June 2026 and receive the Bank Reconciliations - **Deferred to next meeting on the 16th September 2026**

26.130.3 To receive and approve the payments for June 2026.

Upon the proposal of Cllr R Pullen, seconded by Cllr Smith and with all Councillors in agreement it was RESOLVED, that all reports and payments were approved.

26.131 GRANT APPLICATION FOR DECISION

Consider a Grant to Alton Ramblers Association **Upon the proposal of Cllr M Pullen, seconded by Cllr Smith and with all Councillors in agreement it was RESOLVED, that a £150 grant be given.**

26.132 POLICY REVIEW

None

26.134 RISK ASSESSMENT

None

26.135 INFRASTRUCTURE BUSINESS PLAN

To consider an oral update on the development of an Infrastructure Business Plan. **None given**

26.136. ABCD ASSET MAPPING

To consider an oral update on ABCD Asset Mapping. **Cllr M Pullen gave a brief update**

26.137 ITEMS REQUESTED BY COUNCILLORS

None

26.138 CLERK REPORT

26.138.1Four Marks News Update- **Clerk and Assistant Clerk will be responsible for collating information.**

26.138.2Review of Village Picnic 2026 – **Will be shared with Working Party**

26.138.3 Request Date for next Village Picnic – **Agreed 10th June 2027**

26.138.4Do we need a working party for the Village Picnic? **Yes, Clerk and Ast Clerk to look for volunteer**

26.138.5Volunteer Open Day – **Saturday 19th September 2026 to be held at the Village Hall with funds granted by EHDC**

26.138.6Alresford under 18 have asked to use the football pitch on Sundays @2pm – **Noted**

26.138.7Can we extend Block F for Ashes Internment at the Cemetery - **Upon the proposal of Cllr R Pullen, seconded by Cllr Thomson and with all Councillors in agreement it was RESOLVED, to extent Block F**

26.138.8Who do we award the cash collected at the Village Picnic to. **Agreed to hold the money**

26.138.9Can we extend the limit on the Corporate Credit Card to £1000 - **Upon the proposal of Cllr R Pullen, seconded by Cllr Smith and with all Councillors in agreement it was RESOLVED, to extend the limit on the Corporate Credit Card**

26.139 TO NOTE EXTERNAL COMMITTEE AND AREA REPRESENTATIVE REPORTS (as applicable)

26.139.1Allotments –Cllr Thomson – Lease has been drawn up - and is in keeping with all the other PC's we will then be in position to invoice outstanding monies – funds are due

26.139.2Benians Committee – Cllr Smith - due a Committee Meeting - need the signed LO back

26.139.4Oak Green - Cllr Briggs – fly tipping passageway to fish and chip shop

26.139.5Village Hall – Cllr Briggs – Grant paid

26.139.6Highways – Cllrs R Pullen and Medhurst. Nothing

26.139.7EHAPTC – Cllrs R Pullen.

26.139.8Four Marks Primary School –Cllr M Pullen volunteered to act as the representative for the Parish Council

26.139.9 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

In accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the Council have the right to exclude the public and press from a meeting in respect of confidential or sensitive information which is prejudicial to the public interest and may pass a resolution, without notice, to do so.

26.140 Next meeting: **16th September 2026.**