



**Farnley Tyas Community Group**

**Minutes**

**Wednesday 2 October 2024**

<b>Agenda Number</b>	<b>Item</b>	<b>Actions</b>
<b>1</b>	Welcome and Introductions Present: NH-W (chair), KH, RH, JW, NH, BA, LR, TH, DC, PS, SS, PB, JH, FH, PH, AH, JD, AS, RH, NK, NS, CH, RH, SM.	
<b>2</b>	Apologies  JW, BM, CM, CL, JL, JL, LH, RB, MB, KB, JF, RF, CE, DG.	
<b>3</b>	Minutes of the last meeting  The minutes are available on the FTCCG website.	<b>To be confirmed at next meeting. SM to provide printed copy of minutes for approval.</b>
<b>4</b>	Matters Arising (not on the Agenda)  NH-W reminded the meeting of the content of the FTCCG's constitution which recognise the rights of everyone to be treated with respect. It is expected that any individuals who provide updates to the meetings will be treated with respect and civility.  Anyone who wishes to follow up on any issue should comply with these principles and behaviour.  This was wholeheartedly agreed by those present.	
<b>5</b>	<b>Represent the interests and concerns of village residents to the local authorities and other stakeholders</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Council updates</li> </ul> BA provided a brief update. He noted that lack of grass cutting etc was a general concern, informing the group that due to financial pressures Kirklees staffing was reduced. He will provide further update at the next meeting.	<b>RB/BA</b>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Traffic Calming</li> </ul> At the last meeting, NW had asked for volunteers to form a Task and Finish group to support this work. Despite ongoing concerns about traffic/speed in the village no one had come forward. Nick said that without this group it would not be possible to progress this work for the time being.  NH-W reminded the meeting of the suggestions for improvements discussed with and being considered by the Kirklees Council representative which included new speed signs, moving signs, working with the school etc. Bill informed the group that moving	<b>Any volunteers for a Task and Finish group to contact NH-W directly.</b>

	<p>speed limit signs was not easy and was expensive for Kirklees so was unlikely to be approved.</p> <p>It was suggested that signs warning drivers about animals on the road would be useful.</p> <p>It was also noted that village name signs at entry points would make drivers more speed aware. (to be discussed later in the agenda).</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Neighbourhood watch</li> </ul> <p>There was no recent update. It was noted that neighbourhood watchers receive monthly information about concerns in the area and anyone wishing to be added to this list should get in touch.</p>	<p><b>NS to add information/concerns to the website</b></p>
<b>6</b>	<p><b>Organize and support various initiatives and projects that benefit the village and its residents</b></p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Church updates</li> </ul> <p>KH provided an update:</p> <p><u>Upcoming Events</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Mikron Theatre Group will perform “Common Ground”. - 3 October. Excellent ticket sales, still a few tickets left.</li> <li>• Annual Craft Fair – 5 October. Very popular with over 20 stalls and refreshments</li> <li>• Jazz night 1 November</li> <li>• Fashion Show by Chain Reaction of Honley – 22 November (models needed)</li> <li>• Film night 18 October “Vindication Swim”</li> </ul> <p>A timetable has been drawn up to appoint a new vicar, likely to be mid-2025 at earliest.</p> <p>The Eco Church project provided a display of their work at Ripon Cathedral. The sale of excellent quality compost has been extended past September. A large quantity of spring bulbs need to be planted shortly and help is required. The next working group will be 9 October. All support for this work will be gratefully received.</p> <p>The Community Café is held every Tuesday morning and is growing in popularity. As well as local residents, walking groups and other community groups attend regularly. The kitchen rota up to February is being filled and around 6 slots remain to be filled. If anyone can support they should contact KH.</p>	<p><b>Anyone interested in supporting the Eco Church project, or participating in the Community Café rota, please get in touch with KH.</b></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Knit and Natter</li> </ul> <p>FH said that this group, now established nearly 3 years, meets on Thursdays from 7 to 9 pm in the Golden Cock. It is a much valued, informal group and all are welcome.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• WI</li> </ul> <p>The next meeting is on 30 October and the speaker will be Simon Michael, Author and Barrister. This is an open meeting, all are welcome, entrance fee is £6 to include refreshments.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Garden Gang</li> </ul>	

	<p>The Garden Gang would be grateful for additional help from anyone with time to spare when they are working. Please look out for dates and information on Facebook</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Fit Farnley</li> </ul> <p>An interest night was held on 1 October. Resident JS has agreed to re-establish the walking group. Initially walks will be around the village area, beginning with a walk on 9 November starting at the recreation ground. Final details will follow.</p> <p>It is also hoped to arrange a New Year's Day Walk with (possibly) refreshments at the end.</p> <p>Due to safety concerns at this time of the year it has been decided to defer the establishment of a running group. This will be revisited in 2025.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Halloween Pumpkin Competition</li> </ul> <p>There will be 3 categories in this free competition – scariest, funniest and most innovative.</p> <p>Pumpkins must be left in windows or on doorsteps on 31s October where they can be seen and judged. Leaflets have been printed to be distributed with details.</p> <p>It was noted that a Spooky Walk is being organised by the school for the half term week.</p>	<p><b>Entrants should enter via the 'general enquiries' section of the FT CG website.</b></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Big Autumn Quiz (following AGM)</li> </ul> <p>Following the AGM (7.00pm on 6 November) the Big Autumn Quiz will start at 8.00pm. Teams of up to 4 people can compete.</p> <p>The entrance price is £10 per head to include pie and peas and parkin.</p> <p>Full information including how to pay will be on the leaflets being distributed. It is important that we have an accurate idea of how many to cater for.</p>	<p><b>All those intending to attend should follow options for payment contained on the leaflet and return the registration slip to Nick Harvey-Wade, 4 New Lane Terrace by 29<sup>th</sup> October 24.</b></p>
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Farnley Readers</li> </ul> <p>This group is meeting monthly and has a consistent, enthusiastic membership although all are welcome.</p> <p>The next meeting is on 23 October at 7.00pm in the Golden Cock function room and this month's book is "The Hearts Invisible Furies".</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Farnley Flutter</li> </ul> <p>This month's winner is no. 27 who will be informed shortly.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Village Fete</li> </ul> <p>Resident DC outlined a proposal to hold a village event next year, similar to events held recently to celebrate the Jubilee and Coronation. The objective is to bring the whole village together.</p> <p>DC said there were a number of options to discuss and issues to be decided, not least the name, date and venue. It was agree to support this proposal and that a working group be established to ensure the workload is shared and the project successful.</p>	<p><b>Anyone wishing to participate in the working group to contact DC.</b></p>

7	<p><b>Provide a platform for dialogue, cooperation, and mutual assistance among the residents</b></p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Open Forum - what matters to you?</li> </ul> <p>JD asked why there was a skip next to the church. KH confirmed this was for the Eco group and was temporary whilst the churchyard was being cleared.</p> <p>It was agreed by the group that there would be no December meeting and the focus should be on the AGM and quiz / pie and peas night as a fundraising event. There was little will in the committee to organise a December social given December 'business'.</p> <p>Disappointment was expressed by a minority of attendees that there would not be a December 'social' and band as per previous years. Suggested that the Bowling Club could still run this event with FTCC support. Band had already been booked by the bowling club. Decision made by the bowling club to cancel.</p> <p>The discussion was prompted by an announcement that the band needed to change the date from a Wednesday to a Tuesday which was not workable for some attendees.</p>	
	<p><b>Encourage the participation and involvement of all residents in the group's activities and decision-making</b></p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Finance update</li> </ul> <p>In the absence of the Treasurer, the Chair gave a verbal update. There has been very little change in the financial position over the previous month with the exception of the Farnley Flutter prize. A full financial update will be given at the AGM on 6 November 2024.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Community Fundraising Scheme</li> </ul> <p>The suggestion of commissioning village name markers to be placed at all entrances to the village was approved. It is hoped that these will remind drivers that they are in a residential area and be more aware of their speed.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Continuation of Newsletter</li> </ul> <p>FH confirmed that she would produce one final newsletter in November. FH was thanked for all her work in producing the newsletter over the past 10 years.</p> <p>NH-W asked what the demand was for hardcopy newsletter rather than electronic. The general feeling was that the hard copy was still appreciated by some members of the community.</p> <p>DC offered to produce and print the newsletter provided he had support with the articles, news, stories etc. This was agreed with thanks.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• AGM</li> </ul> <p>NH-W confirmed that details of all the posts available would be circulated prior to the meeting. He confirmed that, if elected, he would serve for 1 further year before stepping down as chair.</p> <p>NH-W has asked existing committee to consider their positions and think about creating space for new members.</p>	

<b>8</b>	<b>Preserve and celebrate the cultural, historical, and natural heritage of the village</b>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Field Lane</li> </ul> <p>FH said she had contacted the officer responsible for enforcement regarding the condition of Field Lane. No significant update. It was agreed by the group that this should remain a rolling agenda item until resolved.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Yew Tree Farm</li> </ul> <p>There is very little news at present. A watchful eye will be maintained. It was agreed that this should remain a rolling agenda item until resolved.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Tidy Tyas</li> </ul> <p>Saturday 4 October at 10.00am., all encouraged to help out, meeting at 4 New Lane Terrace</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Dry stone walling</li> </ul> <p>RW reminded the meeting that the next dry stone walling session would be 23 October, beginning at 4.00pm.</p>	
	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Farnley in Bloom</li> </ul> <p>RW reported that registration for this was almost complete.</p>	
<b>10</b>	<b>AOB</b> <p>DC said that the proposed date for Carols with Slathwaite Brass Band is 21 December, likely to start late in the afternoon.</p> <p>KH informed the meeting that the Eco group is working with the school to form a Junior Tidy Tyas.</p>	
	<b>Date and Time of next meeting</b> <b>Annual General Meeting – Wednesday 6 November 2024</b>	<b>SM</b>