



FARNHAM TOWN COUNCIL

Agenda Council

Time and date

Thursday 14th March, 2024 at 6.00 pm

Place

Council Chamber - Farnham Town Hall.

To ALL MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL

Dear Councillor

You are hereby summoned to attend a Meeting of **FARNHAM TOWN COUNCIL** on **Thursday 14th March, 2024, at 6.00 pm** in the Council Chamber - Farnham Town Hall. The Agenda for the meeting is attached.

Yours sincerely

A handwritten signature in black ink, appearing to read 'Iain Lynch'.

Iain Lynch
Town Clerk

Members' Apologies

Members are requested to submit their apologies and any Declarations of Interest on the relevant form attached to this agenda to customer.services@farnham.gov.uk by 5pm on the day before the meeting.

Recording of Council Meetings

This meeting is digitally recorded and retained until the minutes are signed.

Questions by the Public

At the discretion of the Town Mayor, those members of the public, **residing or working** within the Council's boundary, will be invited to make representations or ask questions in respect of the business on the agenda, or other matters not on the agenda, for a maximum of 3 minutes per person or 20 minutes overall.

Members of the Public are welcome and have a right to attend this Meeting. Please note that there is a maximum capacity of 30 in the public gallery.



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Disclosure of Interests Form

Notification by a Member of a disclosable pecuniary interest in a matter under consideration at a meeting (Localism Act 2011).

Please use the form below to state in which Agenda Items you have an interest.

If you have a disclosable pecuniary or other interest in an item, please indicate whether you wish to speak (refer to Farnham Town Council's Code of Conduct for details)

As required by the Localism Act 2011, I hereby declare, that I have a disclosable pecuniary or personal interest in the following matter(s).

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Name of Councillor

Agenda Item No	Nature of interest (please tick/state as appropriate)		Type of interest (disclosable pecuniary or Other) and reason
	I am a Waverley Borough Councillor/Surrey County Councillor*	Other	

* Delete as appropriate



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Prayers

Prior to the meeting prayers will be said by Pastor Michael Hall of The Wey Church in the Council Chamber. Councillors and members of the public are welcome to attend.

1 Apologies

To receive apologies for absence.

2 Disclosures of Interest

To receive from members, in respect of any items included on the agenda for this meeting, disclosure of any disclosable pecuniary or other interests, or of any gifts and hospitality, in line with the Town Council's Code of Conduct.

NOTES:

- (i) *The following councillors have made a general non-pecuniary interest declaration in relation to being councillors of Waverley Borough Council: Cllrs David Beaman, George Murray, Tony Fairclough, George Hesse, Andrew Laughton, Mark Merryweather, Kika Mirylees, John Ward, and Graham White.*
- (iii) *The following councillor has made a general non-pecuniary interest declaration in relation to being a councillor of Surrey County Council: Cllr Michaela Martin;*
- (iv) *Members are requested to make any declarations of interest, on the form attached, to be returned to customer.services@farnham.gov.uk by 5pm on the day before the meeting.*

Members are reminded that if they declare a pecuniary interest they must leave before any debate starts unless dispensation has been obtained.

3 Minutes

(Pages 7 - 16)

To sign as a correct record the minutes of the Farnham Town Council meeting held on 25th January 2024 at **Appendix A**.

4 Questions and Statements by the Public

In accordance with Standing Order 10.1, the Town Mayor will invite members of the public present to ask questions or make statements.

At the discretion of the Town Mayor, those members of the public, **residing or working** within the Council's boundary, will be invited to make representations or ask questions in respect of the business on the agenda, or other matters not on the agenda, for a maximum of 3 minutes per person or 20 minutes overall.

5 Town Mayor's Announcements

To receive the Town Mayor's announcements.

6 Questions by Members

To consider any questions from councillors in accordance with Standing Order 9.

From Councillor George Hesse to the Co-Leaders/Town Clerk.

I would like to ask the following Member's question concerning vehicles continuing to speed through the Town Centre's 20mph Zone and the risk to the safety of pedestrians.

This issue may have come to Members' attention even if you don't live in the town. Speeding and extremely reckless driving has been witnessed by Members who live in or close to the town centre. As one of Castle Ward's Councillors I have had a number of requests from residents asking for safe crossings and speed calming measures in several locations.

At the December Farnham Town Council meeting, it was agreed to press for a crossing across Longbridge between Gostrey Meadow and the Maltings, funded by the savings of changes to the Farnham Infrastructure Programme (FIP) town centre improvements proposed by Farnham Town Council, as this crossing was always considered part of the (FIP) Scheme. However, this has not yet been accepted by officers of Surrey County Council.

Accordingly I am asking the question,

"Would colleagues support making an official request to Surrey County Council for the installation of the following crossings and a safety improvement:-

1. Reinforcing the need for the previously approved Longbridge Crossing which could be a Belisha Beacon with a speed calming raised table;
2. A new shrouded Belisha Beacon crossing on West Street between Mead Lane and Potters Gate, incorporating a speed calming raised table.
3. A proposal to have incorporated into the Major Road Network stage of the Farnham Infrastructure Program, the installation of a new shrouded Belisha Beacon crossing between the traffic island on the North side of Farnham Station to the opposite kerb, adjacent to the bus shelter, incorporating a speed calming raised table (subject to any complete re-design of the area).
4. Old Park Lane. A new pedestrian crossing at the informal crossing point between Old Park Lane and the Farnham Castle side of the A287 which is dangerous. This was raised as part of the initial FIP consultation.

A meeting also took place in March 2023 with Surrey Highways, the local SCC member, a FTC Officer and The Old Park Lane Residents' Association, which resulted in no measures being offered. One year and many near misses later, with fast vehicles continuing to come around the blind bend from the North, we are once again asking for the provision of speed calming and an electronic warning sign.

Part I - Items for Decisions

7 Working Group Notes

(Pages 17 - 32)

- 1) To receive the notes and any recommendations of the following Working Groups and the Human Resources Panel:
 - i) Environment held on 28th February 2024 **Appendix B**
 - ii) Strategy and Resources held on 5th March 2024 **Appendix C**
- 2) To receive a verbal update on any relevant matters from the Community Working Group.
- 3) To receive the Notes of the HR Panel that met on 4th March 2024 **Appendix D**

8 Planning and Licensing Applications (Pages 33 - 60)

To receive the minutes of the Planning & Licensing Consultative Group meetings held on 5th and 19th of February, and 4th March at **Appendices E, F and G.**

Part 2 - Items to Note

9 Actions taken under the Scheme of Delegation

To receive details of any actions taken under the scheme of delegation not already reported.

10 Reports from Other Councils

To receive from Councillors any updates on matters affecting Farnham from Waverley Borough Council and Surrey County Council.

11 Reports from Outside Bodies

To receive from Members any verbal reports on Outside Bodies where they represent Farnham Town Council.

12 Date of Next Meeting

To agree the date of the next meeting as Thursday 26th April 2024.

13 Exclusion of the Press and Public

TO PASS A RESOLUTION to exclude members of the public and press from the meeting at Part 3 of the agenda (if required) in view of any confidential items under discussion. These will usually relate to exempt staffing matters or contractual matters which may be commercially sensitive.

Item 3 - Confidential Items

14 Any confidential matters (if required) arising from discussions of the Working Group notes or HR Panel.

Council Membership:

Alan Earwaker (Mayor), David Beaman, Mat Brown, Sally Dickson, Tony Fairclough, George Hesse, Chris Jackman, Andrew Laughton, Michaela Martin, Brodie Mauluka, Mark Merryweather, Kika Mirylees, George Murray, John Ward, Graham White and Tim Woodhouse