FERRING PARISH COUNCIL FINANCE AND GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE (Advisory Powers Only)

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Minutes of the FPC Finance and General Purposes Committee meeting held at 8.00 pm on Tuesday 5th April 2016 at the Parish Office.

Present	Chairman	Carole Robertson
	Councillors	Roger Elkins
	Councillo	Geoff Mines
		Terry Jackson
		Stephen Abbott
Observin g	Councillors	Ruth Sims
Apologies	Councillors	Peter Evans

	The Finance Advisory Group Meeting opened at 8.00pm and all those present were welcomed.	
1.	Apologies for absence – Councillor Peter Evans	Actions
2.	Declarations of interest - Members were reminded to make any declarations of personal and/or prejudicial interest(s) that they may have in relation to items on the agenda in advance of the item or when the interest is apparent.	
3.	Public Question Time – There were no members of the public present	

4.	Matters arising from the report of the last meeting held on 23 rd February 2016: Operation Watershed - The project is ongoing and the funding is now available for 2016 - 2017. Ferring Traffic Regulation Order – WSCC will be implementing the 30mph speed limit in due course.	
5.	Accounts and Finance:- The income and expenditure schedule for January and February 2016 was reviewed and will be recommended to Full Council. The Parish Clerk will confirm to members regarding cheque number 003200 and advise accordingly.	PC
6.	 Parish Clerk Report:- Councillor Peter Evans has advised the Parish Clerk that the owners of 6 motorhomes have been served notice to appear at Worthing Magistrates Court on the 11th April. This is in contravention of the Highways Act – Sleeping in a vehicle on a public highway. In the absence of the Assistant Parish Clerk for the last six months, the Parish Clerk advised members that she has worked a total of 86.15 additional hours at a cost of £1138.03 and that an overtime form will be issued to ADC for payment - This will be recommended to Full Council. Councillor Geoff Mines advised members that the cost to install a boulder for the Queens 90th birthday has increased to approximately £550. Members agreed to continue with this project and requested that the secure positioning is considered and that the boulder should be installed prior to the Queens official birthday in June – This will be recommended to Full Council. 	GM
7.	 Neighbourhood Plan Implementation (including CRTBO's) Advisory Group: Meeting held 21st March 2016 with the following points: The Project Plan was reviewed and updated. In relation to the Purchase of the Glebelands, members wait for details of the outcome of the Cabinet meeting. It has been confirmed that Jeremy Hunt, WSCC Finance Cabinet Member is investigating this matter and has agreed to a District Valuation of the Glebelands. In view that Worthing Borough Council has decided to publish, and consult on, the first major document in the development of their new Local Plan. It has indicated that neither part of the Goring Gap are suitable for development, this may provide an opportunity to open discussions with Persimmon Homes once again. 	

11.	Items to be referred to next Agenda and items for information only:- There was nothing further to mention	
12.	The next Finance Committee Meeting is scheduled for Monday 24 th May 2016 at 8.00pm at the Parish Office	
	The meeting closed at 8.50pm.	