

- 04/13/20 **Cllr Vacancy:** The Council can now co-opt a new member. Matter resolved.
- 04/13/21 **Coupass Cottages Path:** RBC provided a quote of £6683 to lay a path. The Clerk is trying to determine if the previous RBC offer to build the path if FPC maintains it still stands. M Mead has been contacted twice by email and once by phone (10-4-13) concerning this matter.
- 04/13/22 **Standards Comm. Appointment:** Cllr Poole volunteered to be the second FPC representative. Matter resolved.

CURRENT AGENDA ITEMS

- 04/13/23 **TO CONSIDER APPROVING THE INTERNALLY AUDITED 2012/13 YEAR END ACCOUNTS**
The Council resolved to approve the Year End Accounts. The Accounts can be finalized at the May meeting.
- 04/13/24 **TO CONSIDER APPROVING EXPENDITURE OF £567.98 ON PURCHASE OF NEW “FECKENHAM” SIGN ON THE DROITWICH SIDE OF THE VILLAGE**
The Council resolved to purchase the sign.
ACTION: Clerk to inform K Hemstock (WCC) and request work order is placed.
- 04/13/25 **TO CONSIDER APPROVING THE WCC LENGTHSMAN SCHEME AGREEMENT**
WCC will contribute £2361.40 toward the cost of contracting a Lengthsman. The Council resolved to approve this contract.
ACTION: Clerk to forward signed contract to WCC.
- 04/13/26 **TO CONSIDER APPROVING LENGTHSMAN CONTRACT**
A £5 million public liability held by A Farnsworth was confirmed by the Clerk. The Council resolved to approve the contract without amendment.
ACTION: Clerk to forward signed contract to A Farnsworth.
- 04/13/27 **TO CONSIDER COMMENTS FOR LOCAL PLAN #4 CONSULTATION**
The Council acknowledged that this is a very complicated issue made more so by the proposal of additional housing for the Webheath Development. It will be the Council’s intention to enquire as to what safeguards are being implemented to alleviate the surface water discharge into Bowbrook and Astwood Brook.
ACTION: Clerk to draft a response.
- 04/13/28 **TO CONSIDER PLANNING APPLICATION 2013/068/FUL**
The Council discussed this matter at length and resolved to object to the application.
Feckenham Parish Council objects to this planning application in its present form on the grounds that conventional black panels are not appropriate for use in a Conservation Area where they are visible from the highway. However, the Council encourages the applicant to reconsider the proposal and seek a more sympathetic solution, as there are alternative styles of tiles which may blend into the environment in a more sympathetic manner. The Council would reconsider the position on any re-submission.
ACTION: Clerk to submit comments to RBC by 22-4-13.

CLERK’S UPDATE

- 04/13/29 **Schedule of Correspondence Not Yet Replied To**
- 04/13/30 **Schedule of Correspondence Received** (not otherwise noted)
Cllr Chalk: 9-4-13 email concerning Community Infrastructure Levee
BDC: Housing Growth Consultation: 19&20-4 (10-5pm): Kingfisher Centre; 25-4 (10-8pm): Foxlydiat Arms; 29-4 (2-8pm): Alvechurch Village Hall
S Knowles: 3-4-13 email WAKE Radio update
A Pulsford: 29-3-13 email outlining problem of vehicles driving over grass patches at junction of Astwood & Swansbrook Lanes
Cllr Gandy: email thread discussing Junior Youth Club £900 grant
A Pulsford: 6-3-13 email outlining problem of puddling on Astwood Lane just short of Rock Hill Lane driving toward Redditch – **The Clerk requested an update on 11-4-13**
RBC: Standards Comm. Pack
Community First Annual Report
- 04/13/31 **Schedule of Correspondence Sent** (not otherwise noted)

PLANNING MATTERS

- 04/13/32 **FOR PARISH COUNCIL CONSIDERATION**
See Minute 04/13/28
- 04/13/33 **RBC APPROVALS**
2012/317/FUL The Old Cottage Cruisehill Lane Elcocks Brook: Single storey games room extension to the rear of the detached garage SUPPORT
2013/002/FUL 53 High St: proposed rear extension SUPPORT
2012/312/FUL Land Off Moors Lane: Menage SUPPORT
- 04/13/34 **RBC REFUSALS**
- 02/13/35 **RBC PENDING**
2012/262/FUL White Cottage Bradley Green: Extension to existing utility room to rear, alterations to front porch and construction of new first floor dormer window NO OBJECTIONS
- 04/13/36 **APPEALS**

COUNCILLOR REPORTS & Future Agenda Items

- 04/13/37 Cllr Hawker reported the following:
Attended a meeting of the Standards Committee. On 8-4-13. The new Standards Regime was effective from 1/7/12 pursuant to Chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011. There were 3 complaints about Borough Councillors between 1/7 and 31/12/12, two resolved locally and one referred to the Monitoring Officer. All complaints were by members about members.
A Monitoring Officer Liaison meeting took place on 21st March and more will take place. I was asked to say that Sean Arble would be very welcome at these meetings, and invitations will be sent.
Debbie Parker-Jones is now, amongst other things, Parish Council Liaison Officer. She is, in particular, a point of contact for Parish Clerks who have any difficulties contacting Borough Council Officers.
I indicated that Pat Hawkins had left the council and that another Parish Council deputy would be identified.
- 04/13/38 Cllr Atkins gave maps of the parish and village to all cllrs and the Clerk.
ACTION: Clerk to include £30.91 invoice on May agenda.
- 04/13/39 Traffic Management Strategy
- 04/13/40 Freedom of Information Publication Scheme
- 04/13/41 Cllrs Hawker and Eaton to explore idea of improving Mill Lane with the eventual goal of WCC adopting the road.
- 04/13/42 Council to explore idea of placing road safety stickers on rubbish bins
ACTION: Clerk to investigate issue with RBC.
ACTION: Cllr Poole to investigate issue with a printer.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

- 04/13/43 **Schedule of Invoices/Payments**
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| Clerk Feb & March Stipend & Expenses | £522.11 LGA'72 101,11,12 |
| HMCR Clerk tax | £107.40 LGA'72 101,11,12 |
| A Farnsworth March Lengthsman | £181.50 PHA '36 s259/60 |
| R Fletcher 2011/12 internal audit | £100.00 A&A R 2003 |
| R Fletcher 2012/13 internal audit | £100.00 A&A R 2003 |
| Feckenham Junior Youth Club WCC Grant | £900.00 LGA '72 s137 |
| WCALC Annual Dues | £352.42 LGA '72 s143 |

04/13/44	Schedule of Receipts	
	Feb Interest	£0.82
	March Interest	£0.70
	WCC Lengthsman	£381.15
	VAT Return	£299.41
	WCC Grant (for Youth Club)	£900.00
	WCC Lengthsman	£1146.13

Date and Venue of Next Meeting

04/13/45 Council Meeting at 7:30pm on 16 May 2013 at Feckenham Village Hall to be preceded by Annual Parish Meeting at 7:00pm

The Meeting closed at 9:00pm.

Signed Date

Chairman

Open Forum Notes

04/13/46 A Pulsford stated daffodils near junction of Atwood and Swansbrook Lanes look very healthy. There is probably no need to take action regarding vehicles parking on verge.

Maybe an idea to plant wild flowers over daffodils. Would like to know if Council would support the idea if funds are required?

The Council agreed in principle to planting wild flowers.

Posts near Lygon Arms junction need replacing. The tree also needs to be removed.
ACTION: Clerk to request WCC replace posts and remove tree.

Would like to know if FPC intends to comment on Webheath Development?

Chair Williams responded that this is an Agenda item.

04/13/47 Mr Timmins is concerned about flooding from the Webheath development.

Chair Williams read excerpts from the P Hurcombe (Severn Trent) email expressing concern, but ultimately Severn Trent has no power on the matter. See Minute 04/13/27.

04/13 48 J Eaton surprised by RBC planning system which doesn't offer much information on the website regarding solar panels. Would like to ensure FPC is clear about regulations before coming to a decision.