

Fornham St Martin cum St Genevieve Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Fornham St Martin cum St Genevieve Parish Council
held on Monday 13th January 2025 at 7.30pm, in the Village Hall

Councillors present: Cllr. J. Borrett – Chair (JBo), Cllr. M Collier - Vice Chair (MC), Cllr. P. Butler (PBu),
Cllr. J. Rushman (JR) & Cllr. C. Last (CL).

Also present: Vicky Bright, Clerk PC. Cllr. Rebecca Hopfensperger WSC/SCC.

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Chairman's Welcome & Acceptance of Apologies for Absence (LGA 1972, Section 85(1) & (2)):

Apologies: Cllr. P. Borrett.

PUBLIC FORUM:

12 members of the public were in attendance.

A member of the public asked that the MP monthly newsletter be included in the Bugle and on the PC website.

Residents raised concern over the City Fibre works being carried out in the village, causing disruption, with no prior notice of works being given to residents affected.

Members raised the point that at the last meeting, Councillors made a statement under planning that if residents did not attend meetings to voice their concerns on planning, then they could not be that concerned, residents responded by saying this was not true, and that attendance was not always possible, but Councillors should take into consideration any comments made by residents on the planning portal.

Two residents in attendance, raised an issue, that had previously been raised in writing to the Clerk, regarding Cllr. Last and his Declaration of Interests at the November meeting. The Clerk reiterated that this issue was not on the agenda tonight to be discussed, and had in fact been addressed by the Clerk in writing to them both, following advice from the WSC Monitoring Officer. The Clerk reiterated that Cllr. Last was not required to make any declaration of interest on the matter in question. After a lengthy and unnecessarily contentious Public Forum, the chair regretfully decided to close the meeting as matters were already out of hand and were seemingly potentially getting much worse and therefore, in accordance with Council Standing Orders S.2 para. c, the Chair suspended the meeting without resolution or debate at 7.53pm.

Date of Next Meeting: Monday 10th February 2025 at 7:30pm, in the Fornham St Martin Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 7:53pm

Signed: *J. Borrett*

Date: 10th February 2025