

FNC/09C

01 Nov 2025 (24 Sep 2025)

Minutes of the FNC Second Quarterly and Trustee Board Meeting Held at Folkestone Nepalese Community (FNC) Centre on Sunday, 14 September 2025

Members Present & Apologies for Absence – see attached Annex A

Ser	Subject/Issues	Action
1.	Opening Remarks: The meeting began at 16:35 hrs, chaired by FNC Chairman Capt (Retd) Rambahadur Pun, who thanked the committee and general members for attending the 2nd Quarterly and Trustee Board Meeting of 2025.	Chairman / Gen Sec / All
	Before proceeding with the agenda, a minute of silence was observed: • For Mrs Sarita Raout, who passed peacefully on 1 Aug 2025; her funeral was held on 29 Aug 2025 by FNC. • For Jai Prasad Rai, who passed peacefully on 15 Aug 2025; his funeral, supported by FNC and Emanual Mandley, was held on 10 Sep 2025.	
2.	Committee Members' Reports:	Gen Sec / Chairman /
	I. General Secretary Report:	Trustees / All
	a. Previous Meetings and Reference Documents	
	 The Annual General Meeting (AGM) took place on 30 March 2025. The AGM Minutes, together with the full FNC Annual Report 2024–2025, were published on 3 May 2025. 	
	The First Quarterly Meeting was held on 22 June 2025. Detailed Minutes were released on 8 August 2025.	
	 Attendance of FNC Chairman/Representatives at Activities (23 June – 14 September 2025). The Chairman regularly provides updates on community engagements. A summary is below: 	
	28 Jun 2025 – Armed Forces Day, FTC (Chair & General Secretary attended lunch)	
	 28 Jun 2025 – RGR 31st Birthday (Vice Chair 1 & Trustee Jhapindra Thapa) 29 Jun 2025 – Service of Thanksgiving, St Mary & St Eanswythe Parish Church, FTC 	
	 05 Jul 2025 – Wavelengths Festival, Folkestone Dance Festival 2025 (KYC) 06 Jul 2025 – World in a Tent, Equator Festival 	
	08 Jul 2025 — Ajay Deshar Art Exhibition at the Centre (attended by Town Mayor & Deputy Mayor)	
	 10 Jul 2025 – FNC Dashain Get-Together Coordination Meeting 11 Jul 2025 – Formal Visit to the Centre by KCC Chair, FHDC Chair & Mayor 	
	 15 Jul 2025 – FNC Seniors & Members Visit to London (means-tested) 17 Jul 2025 – Leas Lift Community Day Trip 	
	 24 Jul 2025 – Prof. Edgar Jones: The HEAR Study presentation (Report published: HEAR Report 2025) 	
	09 Aug 2025 – Address at Hamro Ekden 2025 (Hamro Run & FNC Youth)	
	 15 Aug 2025 – VJ 80 Flag Raising Ceremony, Church Service & Wreath Laying (Elham Valley RBL) 	
	15 Aug 2025 – Remembrance at Garden, FTC (Vice Chair 1)	
	 22 Aug 2025 – Tile Kiln Lane Allotment Meeting (FTC, attended by Chair & Gen Sec/FNC Rep for FNC members) 	
	 23 Aug 2025 – FNC Ladies Annual Teej Celebration, Grand Burstin Ballroom 26 Aug 2025 – Meeting with Prof. Novel Kishor Rai at the Centre (Chair & FNC Seniors) 	



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	•	09 Sep 2025 – Community Vigil at Cheriton Park (in remembrance of those who	
		died/injured in Nepal's Gen Z Movement, organised by Hamro Run & FNC Youth)	

(Other welfare and wellbeing activities attended by the Chair at the Centre upon request of the General Secretary are available on the FNC website.)

II. FNC Treasurer Report:

Treasure Bikram Rai provided a summary of the income and expenses for the FNC main account from 23 June 2025 to 14 September 2025, as detailed below. The FNC unrestricted fund is £65,428.09.

S/N	Date	Descriptions	Paid In	Paid Out	Total	Remarks
01	22/06/2025	B/Forward	£64,509.03		£64,509.03	
02	30/06/2025	Bank charged		£7.35	£64,501.68	
03	01/07/2025	Kent CC Rent charge		£100.00	£64,401.68	
04	04/07/2025	FNC Culture team		£200.00	£64,201.68	Rai
05	09/07/2025	Global 4 Comm		£67.20	£64,134.48	
06	21/07/2025	Members Fee in AC	£175.00		£64,309.48	
07	22/07/2025	FNC Culture team		£200.00	£64,109.48	Limbu
80	31/07/2025	Cash Members Fee	£300.00		£64,409.48	
09	31/07/2025	Wreath £45 & 3x		£81.00	£64,328.48	Multi
		flowers £ 36.				culture
10	31/07/2025	Bank charge		£5.68	£64,322.80	
11	01/08/2025	Kent CC Rent charge		£100.00	£64,222.80	
12	01/08/2025	NY party hall charge		£600.00	£63,622.80	
13	04/08/2025	Members Fee in AC	£175.00		£63,797.80	
14	05/08/2025	Members Fee in AC	£225.00		£64,022.80	
15	09/08/2025	Members Fee in AC	£300.00		£64,322.80	
16	11/08/2025	Global 4 Comm		£67.20	£64,255.60	
17	11/08/2025	Members Fee Cash	£150.00		£64,405.60	
18	12/08/2025	Members Fee in AC	£100.00		£64,505.60	
19	14/08/2025	Members Fee in AC	£75.00		£64,580.60	
20	18/08/2025	Members Fee in AC	£230.00		£64,810.60	
21	21/08/2025	Members Fee in AC	£225.00		£65,035.60	
22	29/08/2025	Members Fee in AC	£175.00		£65,210.60	
23	29/08/2025	Cash Members Fee &	£625.00		£65,835.60	
		Teej party hall				
24	29/08/2025	Bank Charge for AC		£7.21	£65,828.39	
25	01/09/2025	Members Fee in AC	£75.00		£65,903.39	
26	01/09/2025	Kent CC Rent charge		£100.00	£65,803.39	
27	02/09/2025	Teej party hall charge		£500.00	£65,303.39	
28	02/08/2025	Members Fee in AC	£150.00		£65,453.39	
29	09/09/2025	Global 4 Com		£75.30	£65,378.09	
30	11/09/2025	Cash Deposited	£50.00		£65,428.09	M. Fee
					£65,428.09	In Bank

Treasurer /
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Trustees /
Gen Sec

III. FNC Centre Financial Report:

a. The General Secretary provided a summary of restricted funding for the FNC Centre covering the period from 23 June to 14 September 2025.



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	Project	Purpose	Restricted Grant	Actual	End date	
	Lloyds Bank Foundation	Core Salaries, Staff development & Running Cost	£25,000.00	£8,800.00	31/08/2026	
	Community Fund N L Grant 20267132	Core Salaries, Staff development & Running Cost	£38,656.00	£33,000.00	30/06/2026	
	CPAR 3 The Scottish Community Centre	Community Researchers	£23,400.00	£3,300.00	06/11/2025	
	Colyer Fergusson - A- 02577/R6421	Core Salaries (Final Year)	£5,000.00	£2,020.00	31/03/2026	
	2025-2026The Henry Smith -20242650	Running Cost	£5,000.00	£3,500.00	07/01/2026	

£10,000.00

£7,300.00

30/03/2026

Total Restricted Grant	£107,056.00	£57,920.00	£29,245.51
Unrestricted Fund	£8,648.97		
	Balance	£66,568.97	

b. FNC Centre Hall Hire Income for 23 Jun - 14 Sep 2025:

Snr Activity Salaries

Transaction date	In No.	Amount
14/07/2025	1284	30.00
14/07/2025	1284	50.00
14/07/2025	1287	40.00
14/07/2025	1287	20.00
24/07/2025	1289	50.00
10/08/2025	1291	50.00
11/08/2025	1292	50.00
22/08/2025	1295	20.00
28/08/2025	1296	35.00
08/09/2025	1297	50.00
11/09/2025	1298	50.00
11/09/2025	1299	25.00
11/09/2025	1300	30.00
	Total	£500

Ladies Cod / Gen Sec / Chairman

IV. Ladies Coordinator:

Philip and Connie

Phillips Foundation

- a. The FNC Ladies Coordinator reported to the meeting that the FNC Annual Teej Celebration, held on 23 Aug 2025 at the Ball Room, Grand Bustin Hotel, was completed as planned. She expressed appreciation to the Chair, Committee, members who volunteered for event setup and dismantling, and all attendees.
- b. The financial statement for the FNC Annual Teej Celebration reports total income, including raffle proceeds, of £4,031 and total expenditure, including venue charges, of £4,191. An additional income of £161 was provided as a subsidy by the food provider, Lemon Leaf. There was no surplus.
- c. The Chair extends sincere appreciation to the Ladies Coordinator and her team for organising another successful Teej Celebration, which included



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			the participation of fema	le children me	embers of the community. In		S.C Cod /	
			sponsorship of a cake va		her ongoing support and ge 00 for the event.	enerous	Gen Sec / Chairman	
	V. Seni	or Citiz	en Coordinator:					
	a. Senior Citizen Coordinator Capt (Retd) Bishnu Singh expressed gratitude to the Chair and Committee for the subsidised funding provided for the London visit on 15 July (refer to 1st Quarterly Meeting Minutes). The trip was especially beneficial for FNC Senior Citizen Members as well as participants with low income, positively contributing to their wellbeing.							
		at 9:00 repres	am in the Leas area, and	mentioned the member. The C	n, which takes place every s at he is a registered volunte Chair and the meeting forma work.	er		
	b.	The fo visit:	llowing financial statement	t was provided	d by the General Secretary f	or the		
		S.N	Expenditure	Amount	Remarks			
		1	2 x 53 Crosskeys Coaches	£1,700.00	Capt Retd Bishnu Singh			
		2	Parking (London)	£90.00				
		3	Tips	£40.00				
			Total Expenditure	£1,830.00				
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		S.N	Income	Amount	Remarks	-		
		1	FNC Visit Members	£1,220.00	Senior Dharma Singh	-		
		2	FNC Centre Unrestricted	£610.00	Staff & Volunteers	_		
			Total Income	£1,830.00]		
	 c. Senior Citizen Chief Volunteer and FNC Advisor, Maj Deb Pun, reported to the meeting—following previous discussions with the Chairman—that the annual BBQ for senior citizens will be scheduled for next year. This is due to the GPF fund (£1200) being allocated as a gift for FNC members participating in the Gurkha Walk in June2025. Going forward, the BBQ and visits will alternate on a yearly basis subject on availability of funds. VI. There were no other reports from the Committee. 							
3	FNC Dashain Get-Together Annual Celebration: This quarterly meeting was held as the final coordination meeting for the upcoming FNC Dashain Get-Together Annual Celebration, scheduled for Friday, 26 September 2025 at Leas Cliff Hall, Folkestone.							
	Vice Chairman Capt (Retd) Sumanchandra Rai, the appointed coordinator of the event, reviewed the Admin Instruction issued to the community on 01 September 2025.							



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	The meeting thoroughly discussed all points in line with the published Admin Instruction.	
	b. Key Updates from the Coordinator	
	Food & Catering Menu finalised between Food Secretary and Food Provider in accordance with the FNC MOU for food provision.	
	Stage, Sound & Lighting Sports Secretary Bhaskar Rai to arrange PA system and lighting with PAT testing.	
	 Only the main stage banner will be displayed; rest of the decoration will be lighting-based. 	
	 Tickets Tickets already printed and disseminated at the FNC Centre, Cheriton Nepalese Cash & Carry, and Nepalese restaurants by the Treasurer. 	
	 Raffle Draw Ladies Coordinator Indria Rai and her team to manage raffles with 4–5 prizes. 	
	 Guest List Prepared jointly by the General Secretary and Chairman. Media Outreach 	
	 Chairman and Vice Chairman 1 to attend BFBS Gurkha Radio on 15 September 2025 to speak about the celebration. 	
	c. Event Day Preparation	
	 All committee members to assemble at the FNC Centre at 09:00 am on Friday, 26 September 2025 for early preparation and fatigue duties. All committee members and volunteers to arrive at Leas Cliff Hall by 3:30 pm to be ready for the 4:00 pm start of the event 	
	d. Food & Ticketing on the Day	
	 Starter will be served at 4:30 pm. Main Meal will be served at 6:00 pm. No food tickets will be available after 7:30 pm. After 7:30 pm, entry tickets will be available at half price, but without food entitlement. 	
	e. Conclusion	
	All preparations are progressing as planned. The Chair emphasised teamwork, punctuality, and effective execution to ensure the success of this flagship community celebration.	
4.	a. FNC Farm Food Festival 2025:	Gen Sec / Rep of Project
	Trustee Jhapindra Thapa and ECM Chandra Shai, coordinators for this year's Farm Food Festival, informed the meeting that the event is scheduled for Sunday, 21 September 2025, from 11:00 am to 3:00 pm at Pent Farm, Postling. The festival was initially planned for 30 August 2025; however, it was rescheduled to accommodate technical harvesting requirements and the availability of collaboration partners.	/ Plot holders / All



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	The festival will be organised in collaboration with Pent Farm and the Equator Festival.				
	Aim and Objectives				
	The Chair and General Secretary outlined the aims and objectives of the FNC Farm Food Festival, which has been held annually since its first event on 05 October 2024:				
	 Promote Nepalese Cuisine – Enjoy delicious Nepalese dishes prepared using fresh vegetables grown at the Pent Farm Community Garden Celebrate Community Gardening – Guided tours of the garden, featuring 25+ member plots in the scenic Postling countryside Community Outreach – The event is open to all, welcoming FNC members, friends, and other community groups, with promotion supported by the Equator Festival 				
	 Support Community Projects – Food and drinks will be free of charge. Donations of a minimum of £5.00 are kindly welcomed to support the FNC Fund and the Community Garden Project Cultural Showcasing – The festival will feature cultural and Nepalese dances, sharing Nepalese heritage with the wider community 				
	Conclusion: The Chair and meeting noted that the FNC Farm Food Festival 2025 continues to strengthen community outreach, cultural celebration, and sustainability through the Pent Farm Community Garden initiative. Preparations will continue under the guidance of the coordinators, with support from FNC and its partners.				
	b. FNC Pent Farm Community Project Funding:				
	The FNC Pent Farm Community Garden Project was first launched in 2023, with initial funding from Kent Downs, arranged in collaboration with the Equator Festival.				
	 In 2024, the project continued under Kent Downs support. For 2025 (Jan – Jun), the project was funded by Folkestone & Hythe District Council (FHDC). 				
	With external funding ending in June 2025, the meeting discussed the sustainability of the project in depth and agreed on measures to ensure its continuation.				
	Following this discussion, the Chairman published the official decision on 17 September 2025. (For detailed reference, see Annex B.)				
	Key Decisions				
	 Annual Contribution Each plot holder will contribute £20 annually (every April) to cover the Pent Farm hiring charge until new funding becomes available. Shortfall & Maintenance Any shortfall in the hiring charge will be covered by the FNC Centre Fund (from project support and admin charges of school workshops at Pent Farm). 				
	 2. If no grant funding is available, farm maintenance costs will be shared by plot holders. Payment Collection 1. For the current year (Apr 2025 – Apr 2026), all plot holders are requested 				



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5.	2. Mr Jhapindra Thapa and Mr Chandra Sahi will coordinate the collection of contributions and hand them to the Treasurer for onward payment to the landlord. • Plot Maintenance 1. FNC Pent Farm Site Representatives (Dr Maha Rai, Mr Jhapindra Thapa, and Mr Chandra Sahi) reserve the right to request proper maintenance of plots. 2. Plots left uncultivated for an extended period may be reallocated based on their recommendation. • Opting Out / Non-Payment of Contributions The meeting unanimously agreed on the following points: 1. Notification of Withdrawal: Plot holders who do not wish to continue must inform the FNC Pent Farm Site Representatives immediately, so that their plots can be reallocated to other interested members. 2. Non-Payment and Breach of Obligations: Failure to pay the required monthly contribution of £20 on time will be considered a breach of membership obligations. If a plot is found to be uncultivated, untidy, or otherwise not maintained in accordance with Pent Farm Committee standards, and the plot holder also fails to make the £20 monthly contribution and to tidy their plot within the deadline set by the FNC Pent Farm Representatives, the Committee reserves the right to withdraw the plot from the existing holder and reassign it to another willing member of the community. 3. Notice and Deadline Before Reallocation: Before any decision to withdraw a plot is finalised, the Pent Farm Committee will issue a onemonth deadline for the plot holder to comply with the payment and maintenance requirements. If the plot holder fails to comply within this one-month period, the Committee reserves the right to reallocate the plot to another willing member. A formal notice—either verbal or written—will be issued to the existing plot holders for their cooperation and continued support. Members were reminded of the importance of working together to sustain and enhance the FNC Community Gardening initiative.	Chairman / Gen Sec / Committee / All
		ECM / All
6.	FOE 2024/2025 will be updated by the Chairman and posted on the FNC website. The General Secretary announced these upcoming events: • Final Quarterly & Trustee Board Meeting: 07 Dec 2025	
	 Post-meeting FNC Dashain Get-Together Annual Celebration: Sunday, 12 Oct 2025 FNC Senior Citizen Desu-Bhailo: Tuesday, 21 Oct 2025 Remembrance Sunday & FNC Purkha Diwas: Sunday, 09 Nov 2025 FNC / FTC Christmas Lunch: Tuesday, 16 Dec 2025 	
7.	Any other business (AOB): a. Capt (Retd) Gyan Limbu, a prominent FNC member, advised the meeting that members and the community should remain vigilant as more children are	Chairman / Vice Chair / Gen Sec / All



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	engaging in concerning activities. The meeting suggested that parents should take responsibility for monitoring and supervising their children's activities.	
	b. The Chairman has forwarded the letter and invitation received from the GMF for the programme on 12 October 2025, as the Chairman will be on leave during that period.	
	c. The Chairman informed the meeting that the Folkestone Mechinagar Twinning Association has invited any FNC member who is interested to apply for the Vice Chair position. Further details regarding the association's working relationship with FNC will be provided at a later date, as the Chairman and committee possess additional information about the association. The meeting noted: The FNC advised the Twinning Committee to establish a Memorandum of Understanding (MOU) between the Twinning Committee, GMF, and FNC to ensure clarity of roles and orderly functioning.	
	d. As detailed in the General Secretary's report, both the Chairman and General Secretary participated in the Folkestone Town Council meeting concerning the Tile Kiln Lane Allotment on 22 August 2025 at the FNC Centre. It was agreed that, moving forward, the General Secretary will represent FNC members holding allotments at this location in matters relating to policy changes or issues involving other users.	
	e. No other business was raised.	
8.	Chairman's closing Remarks:	Chairman / All
	With no further business to discuss, the Chairman thanked all participants for their attendance and acknowledged the Food Secretary and team for arranging food and beverages to be served after the meeting.	
	The Chairman, confirmed that members will continue to be kept informed of FNC's activities through emails and the official Viber groups . He further emphasised the importance of regularly visiting the FNC website for the latest updates on events, projects, and activities, highlighting that developments occur rapidly due to FNC's extensive outreach as a professional charity organisation.	
	The meeting was formally closed at 19:05 hours .	



Dr Maha Rai General Secretary Folkestone Nepalese Community



Capt. (Retd) Rambahadur Pun Chairman Folkestone Nepalese Community

Annexes:

- A.
- List of Members Present/Apologies for Absence. Letter to the FNC Pent Farm Plot Holders 17 Sep 2025 B.

Distribution: Action:



All Committee Members Trustees Advisors Ladies Committee Senior Citizens Youth Committee All FNC Members

<u>Additional Notes:</u> FNC Dashain Get-Together Annual Celebration Financial Statement Summary:

This notice serves to inform the community that a brief summary is provided below; a comprehensive financial report will be presented by the Treasurer at the next Quarterly Meeting on 07 December 2025.

Income Statement						
S.N.	Description	No of Tickets	Price	Subtotal Income		
1	Adults	155	£25.00	£3,875.00		
2	S. Citizens	77	£23.00	£1,771.00		
3	Children	15	£15.00	£225.00		
4	Raffle Draw	140	£5.00	£700.00		

Total Income	£6,571.00
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Expenditure Statement			
S.N	Description	Amount	Remarks
1	Leas Cliff Hall (2 Staff & Guests Drinks)	£550.57	Treasurer
2	PA System	£150.00	Bhaskar Rai
3	Catering Lemon Leaf	£5,743.00	Hari Rai

Total Expenditure £6,443.57

Surplus £127.43	Surplus £127.43
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Quarterly & Trustee Board Meeting: Sunday, 14 Sep 25, 4:00 pm at

the FNC Centre

FNC 9TH EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE Attendance

Ser	Name	Appointment	Signature
1	Capt (Retd) Rambahadur Pun	Chairman (Trustee Chair)	
2	Capt (Retd) Suman Chandra Rai	Vice-Chairman (1)	Soci
3	Mrs Mamata Gurung	Vice-Chairman (2)	
4	Dr Maha Rai	General Secretary	XZ
5	Mr Bikram Rai	Treasurer (Trustee)	(300)
6	Mr Linjga Rai	Secretary	Re
7	Mr Abesh Rai	Assistant Treasurer	Abesh
8	Mr Man Bahadur Rai	Property Secretary	Apology
9	Mr Prithiviraj Rai	Assistant Property Secretary	250
10	Mrs Susma Thapa	Cultural Secretary	Aprilany
11	Mr Ganesh Pun	Assistant Cultural Secretary	J.
12	Mr Bhaskar Rai	Sports Secretary	Bin
13	Mr Santosh Gurung	Assistant Sports Secretary	
14	Mr Hari Kumar Rai	Media Secretary	j-
15	Mr Jitbhane Pun	Assistant Media Secretary	
16	Capt (Retd) Bishnu Bahadur Singh	Senior Citizen Co-ordinator	4
17	Mr Nar Tamang	Assistant Senior Citizen Co-ordinator	Apthogra
18	Mrs Indira Rai	Ladies Co-ordinator	Vai
19	Mrs Dhanu Limbu	Assistant Ladies Co-ordinator	Aprilyy
20	Mr Chandra Bahadur Sahi	Food and Beverages Secretary	- Sevi-
21	Mr Ramesh Rai	Assistant Food and Beverages Secretary	Apology
22	Mr Kueihang Limbu	Youth Co-ordinator	Apsloyer
23	Miss Kanchan Roka Magar	Assistant Youth Co-ordinator	Kouch.



Board of Trustees

Name
 Mr Chandra Bahadur Gurung
 Mr Jhapindra Thapa
 Lt (Retd) & Former Cllr Nabin Siwa
 Mr Rajen Limbu

Board of Advisors

Ser	Name
1	Maj Deb Bahadur Pun (Volunteer Chief Snr Citizen)
2	Mr Dipak Kaucha Apology
3	Mr Tika Sing Thakuri 0
4	Mr Harka Prasad Rai —
6	Mr Tek Loktam
6	Mr Kishore Sapkota - Aprilowy
7	Mr Dhan Gurung
8	Mrs Omkumari Purja Pun - Apology
9	Mr Amber Gurung
10	Mrs Mina Rai - Bollowy
11	Mr Hikmatsing Roka — Apa Cogra
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Members

S. N	Name	Signature
١	Swechchka Rai	free:
2	Ganga Prasad Gwung	Going.
3	Padam Bahadur Thapa	BAGRA
	Straman Rai	en:
5	Tovo Thapa	6
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7	Mohan Kumar Rai	AKRI'
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9	Chandra Rahadw Sahi	Sent.
10	Amber Guras	A



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11	Gyan Limbu	49
12	CHUABI THAPA	Selge
13	Manikumar Rai	AD"
14	Tara Kumayi Rcu	
15	Binod Ra	MIMC:
16	Penan Gurung	96
17	Ponan Gurung Saiguleta Zai	Sw2-
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See Distribution Date: 17 September 2025

Dear FNC Pent Farm Plot Holders,

Subject: Payment of Pent Farm Hiring Charge

References:

- A. FNC Pent Farm Community Project Meeting held on Thursday 12 Sep 2024.
- B. FNC 2nd Quarterly Meeting of 2025 held on Sunday 14 Sep 2025.

As indicated in our Viber communication dated 16 Sep 2025, the three-year grant for the FNC Pent Farm project concluded in April 2025.

This matter was discussed upon at the FNC Quarterly Meeting on 14 Sep 2025. With the majority approval of plot holders, the following decisions were made for the continuation of the project:

- Each plot holder will contribute £20 annually (every April) to cover the farm hiring charge until new funding becomes available.
- Any shortfall in the hiring charge will be covered through FNC Centre Fund (Project support and Admin charge of school workshops held in Pent Farm). Maintenance cost of the farm to be shared by the plot holders if **NO** grant funding is available.
- For the current year (Apr 2025 Apr 2026), all plot holders are kindly requested to pay £20 to Mr Jhapindra Thapa (FNC Pent Farm Site Rep) at the earliest possible time, as payment to the landlord is already overdue.
- Mr Jhapindra Thapa and Mr Chandra Sahi will coordinate the collection of contributions and hand them over to the Treasurer for onward payment to the landlord at earliest opportunity.
- If any plot holder does not wish to continue holding a plot, please inform the FNC Pent Farm Site Reps immediately so that the plot may be reallocated.
- If a plot holder fails to make the £20 contribution by the deadline, their plot will be reassigned to another member willing to participate in the project by the FNC Pent Farm Site Reps.

This decision was unanimously approved at Refence B and will be recorded in the official meeting minutes as FNC policy.

All other arrangements agreed at Reference A remain unchanged. FNC Pent Farm Site Representatives (Dr Maha Rai, Mr Jhapindra Thapa, and Mr Chandra Sahi) reserve the right to request plot holders to maintain their plots properly. If a plot is left uncultivated for an extended period, the FNC may reallocate it, based on the recommendation of FNC Pent Farm Site Representatives.

We sincerely thank you for your cooperation and continued support. Let us continue collaborating to develop and enhance the FNC Community Gardening initiative.

CAPT(RETD) RAMBAHADUR PUN

Chairman

Folkestone Nepalese Community (FNC)

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Action:

All FNC Pent Farm Plot Holders All FNC Pent Farm Site Representatives

Information:

FNC Gen Sec FNC Treasurer FNC Trustees FNC Committee