# AILSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

DRAFT MINUTES FOR THE MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 10<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2016 IN THE METHODIST CHAPEL AT 7.30PM.

**Present:** Mrs J Pickett (Chair), Mr J Judge, Dr M Ellershaw, Mrs C Murrell, Mr R Perkins **Clerk:** Miss J Rice **Members of the public:** Mr J and Mrs K Ferguson, Mr D Rowlands.

**Questions from the floor**; Mr Ferguson explained that they had altered their planning application to try to accommodate others' comments. They have submitted revised plans and hoped that those affected would agree that the proposals now mean it fits in with the area more and does not impact negatively on neighbours. He was willing to further alter the rendering if it meant no opposition.

- **1. Apologies**; Cllr J Holdich and Mr P Hiller (at another meeting) and Mr D Edwards and Mr R Ingram (on holiday). It was agreed that we would request Mr P Hiller to attend a meeting soon to meet us all.
- **2. Neighbourhood plan update.** Mr D Rowlands updated the meeting on the Neighbourhood plans. The PCC contact has confirmed that the screening report was sent to the statutory consultees on 20<sup>th</sup> September with a response date of 4 November. He would make a note of any comments or recommendations for wording that he could find and let us have them. Once final changes to the draft plans have been made we will need to refer back quickly to the Council to confirm any changes so that regulation 14 process can be commenced. Meetings have taken place with Nene Park Trust and Milton, and our City Councillor who expressed support. Grant 3 has been repaid and grant 4 application submitted. As soon as this is received work will commence on further communications and drop in sessions.
- **3. Minutes from the last meeting** on 5<sup>th</sup> September 2016. These were agreed to be a true record, proposed by Mr J Judge and seconded by Mr R Perkins and signed by the Chair.
- **3.1 Matters arising**: The website grant has been received.
- 4. Declarations of interest. None
- 5. Council reports

# 5.1 Recreation ground

- 5.1a The litter has all been cleared and clothes bin emptied.
- **5.1b** The shelter has been scratched with personal information and so will be reported.
- **5.1c** A further request to move the bin near the bus shelter will be made as it is still in the way.

#### 5.2 Planning

- **5.2a** 2 Singerfire Road feedback. No reply has been received since further representations were sent in.
- **5.2b** 16/01719/HHFUL proposed 2 storey front extension and loft conversion at 5 Andrew Close, revised application. The council read the comments already made by residents and took on board the alterations that have been made in line with comments submitted, as explained by the applicant at the meeting. It was agreed that the planning application was now sufficiently altered in design and materials to be more in keeping with the area.
- 5.2c Fell walnut tree at 12 Maffit Road. Permitted 28/9/16
- **Village information board/village sign/bus shelter**. Options and quotes for refurbishment of the information board were circulated and a sample passed around. Need to establish best way to reproduce maps. The village sign will be done after the board but things to consider include 2d or 3d design, existing or new design and if the community are involved, and if it is painted. It is hoped to be a joint venture with Castor Parish Council.

# **5.4** Village groups;

- **5.4a** Youth project meeting to be arranged.
- **Village Hall** It has been confirmed that agreement has been reached on the lease being extended for a further 20 years.

#### 5.6 Parish Land and Allotments;

- **5.6a** One tender for Station Road field allotment has since been withdrawn and so the other tender was accepted and will be confirmed. A reminder for payment will be sent and a new contract.
- **5.6b** Allotment rent and signed agreements have all been received. There are 2 vacancies which have been offered to existing holders to move, and then to the waiting list.
- **5.6c** Work on the new gate post will commence soon.
- **5.6d** The water meter at New Close has been read, and at the allotments with the water being turned off.
- **5.6fe** Flytipping in Helpston Road is now cleared thanks to the help of our City Councillor, and despite numerous reporting. More flytipping appeared in Station Road and this has been reported and cleared with investigations initiated.

# 5.7 Footpaths and Rights of Way;

**5.7a** The 20mph speed restriction should be in place soon.

**5.7b** The Maffit Road repair to the road is still not done and will be further chased.

#### 6. Finance:

**6.1 Accounts Status:** Current account £20423.16 Deposit accounts £3013.33 Reward saver £5428.01. £5000 growth bond, ends August 2017.

**6.1a** Insurance renewal agreed and paid on line 5/10/16

**6.1b** Clerk's pay scale revised rate agreed plus an incremental rise on the scale.

**6.1c** Budget setting will commence shortly. Councillors to submit proposed costs for any projects for next year. New village sign will be included.

**6.2 Income:** £1221.97 website grant rec'd 6/9/16, £6112 ½ precept rec'd 13/9/16, allotment rent £350.26 rec'd various dates.

**6.3 Payments**: M Chillcott NP £26.48, H Tovey NP £122.50, Wingivers NP £115.94 plus vat and £32.50 plus vat, grant 3 refund £3262.58, Came and Co Insurance £275 paid 5/10/16

**6.4 Expenses:** It was agreed to pay these forthcoming invoices;

**6.4a** CGM invoices 201394 £155 plus vat and 201216 £310 plus vat for grass cutting plus any future invoice.

6.4b NP invoices from grant 4

6.4c Website maintenance fee £100 A Curtis Design

6.4d A Charlton £45 for gate post when done

6.4e External audit fee of £100 plus vat PKF Littlejohn

**6.4f** New wreath for bus shelter **6.4g** Clerk/Councillor training £9

6.4h Clerk's new pay rate £216.64 plus back pay to April plus £26.99 home office costs

payable 31/10/16

Proposed by Dr M Ellershaw and seconded by Mr J Judge

- 7. A walnut tree will be ordered and planted soon.
- 8. External audit report received and no issues raised. Internal mini audit to be started.
- **9.** Parish News/website. A police report on crime plus a short summary of latest news will be sent for the next Parish News.

#### 10. Report from meetings attended/upcoming meetings;

#### 11. Correspondence.

Complaint received re overhanging bushes etc down 2 cuts in the villages. These will be actioned as appropriate. New cctv van lead person to be invited to a meeting. Resignation letter received from Mrs C Murrell. Mrs Murrell was thanked for all of her hard work. Spoof email to be reported.

# For circulation;

- Weekly planning sheets
- Rural crime update/report Sept 2016
- Neighbourhood Watch News
- CCTV lead contact details
- Parish Conference details
- Connect Police and Crime Commissioner report sept 2016
- Fields In Trust impact report
- Stobtober campaign details
- Parklife magazine
- Training course notes
- · Electoral role received

Meeting closed at 10pm

Next Parish Council meeting is 14<sup>th</sup> November 2016 at 7.30pm