

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF AILSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

ON MONDAY 20th SEPTEMBER 2021 AT 7.30PM

Held at the Chapel, Main St, Ailsworth

Present were Councillors Dr M Ellershaw, Mr R Moon, Mrs A Perkins, Mrs J Pickett (Chairman), Mr M Samways (arrived 7.45pm). Clerk Miss J Rice

Members of the public Mr J Hodder plus Mr J Elson and Mr M Stalley (Nature Recovery Group)

21/70	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. To receive apologies sent to the Clerk. Apologies from Cllr Phillips (and Cllr Boyce via J Hodder). Cllr Langston-Jones was absent.	
21/71	DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST	
	To receive all declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda. Reminder to members to update their register if necessary. (Members should disclose any personal, prejudicial or pecuniary interests in the business to be discussed and are reminded that the disclosure of a Disclosable <i>Pecuniary</i> Interest will require that the member withdraws from the meeting room during the transaction of that item of business). There were no declarations of interest made.	
21/72	PUBLIC PARTICIPATION	
	Arrangements will be made for the public to join the meeting and a maximum of 15 minutes will be permitted for members of the public to address the meeting on any item on the agenda. Members of the public stated they would wait until the relevant agenda item and be invited to speak then.	
21/73	MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING (previously circulated)	
	To confirm as correct the record of the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 2 nd August 2021, Chairman to sign. The minutes of the last meeting were agreed as a true record and duly signed by the Chairman.	
21/74	REPORT FROM WARD COUNCILLOR S. FAROOQ. Cllr Farooq did not attend the meeting.	
21/75	GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE	
	75.1	To note bank account statements and reconciliation to date, herewith, and answer any queries. To note internal controls for 2 quarters to do in October. The statements and bank balances were noted. There were no questions. The next checks will be done in October. Action Clerk and Cllr Phillips
	75.2	To note new business term deposit renewed for 1 year until 16/8/22 as £5511.72, £112.46 increase. This was noted.
	75.3	To note discussions with website provider and request for DNS names delayed. To decide re web address needed. The Clerk said that there is a reported delay from Peterborough City Council with the release of the DNS.
	75.4	To note insurance policy renewal due 1/10 and premium increase. Resolve action. The Clerk had sent round details of the increased premium received on 7 th September and made enquiries about a reduction from Came and Co and after speaking to a representative about the market and many PCs' positions, it was deemed sensible to accept the premium this year. Councillors wondered if the premium could be reviewed in August next year. Action Clerk
21/76	COMPLAINT	
	76.1	To feedback progress with complaint hearing and agree any further actions. The Clerk reported that she is waiting to hear of confirmation of the complaint regarding the handling of a planning application response from the complainant. It was agreed that no further action is necessary at present.
21/77	PARISH PROJECTS	
	77.1	To receive and note ideas for development of the recreation ground (to follow) and resolve whether to proceed with recommendations. A draft paper had been circulated prior to the meeting about a Parish Land Working Group with background and a strategy for managing Parish Land effectively. The need to consult the wider community was recognised. Terms of reference and membership still needs to be agreed. The Clerk will draw up draft Terms of Reference. Cllr Samways explained plans for a Halloween event on 31 st October 2021, 2-4pm and the outline plans of story telling, pumpkin drawing, walking trails were agreed. A follow up tree planting event will be held in November. A budget of up to £500 was agreed for the event to provide pumpkins, refreshments etc.

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		There will be flipcharts to get feedback from attendees on ideas for the recreation ground. The Clerk will inform the insurance company and provide risk assessments. It will be mentioned at the joint meeting too. J Elson and M Stalley offered help and agreed to do some artwork to promote the event. Action Cllrs Samways, Perkins and Ellershaw, J Elson, M Stalley, Clerk
	77.2	To receive plan from Re-Wilding Group and agree response and next steps, to follow. Note risk assessments done and necessary. To note request donation for bee bombs and agree response. To note grant application submitted by M Stalley. M Stalley and J Elson updated the meeting on the actions and plans of the group to date including bulb planting, turf bench, paths and islands, wildflowers and free trees. A maintenance budget was discussed and it was decided to agree to £500 expenditure now and consider the future budget requirements at budget setting time, possibly £1000 pa. It was agreed to invite the Tree Officer to advise re tree planting in line with the PCC tree strategy and further agreed to investigate the possibility of a "Friends of the Recreation Ground Rewilding or Nature Recovery Group". Action NRP group and Clerk The Clerk will send a thank you to Rowena Homan and to Nene Park Trust for their kind help and bee bombs. Action Clerk
	77.3	To note all forms to Nominate an Asset of Community Value for those buildings agreed completed and sent to PCC. It was noted that the Clerk had submitted forms for the village buildings; Coffee Shop, Paper Shop, Methodist Chapel and Doctor's surgery as agreed.
	77.4	To note progress on information required for Heritage List and resolve any action, circulated. Cllr Pickett has given the list to date to Helen Daly and Elaine Wakerley, as they are compiling the information for both parishes.
	77.5	To note no response re litter picking event over summer and it will be deferred. This was noted and is added to the joint meeting agenda.
21/78	JOINT COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN/NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN/JOINT PARISH LIAISON GROUP (JPLG)	
	78.1	To agree agenda items for the JPLG meeting on September 30th, as circulated by John Hodder The Clerk added the increased Sibson flights and the First Responder scheme to AOB. The items were all agreed with no other changes.
	78.2	To note Climate Action Group policy statement and new Government webpage for Councils This was noted. The sample policies will be circulated ahead of the joint meeting. Action Clerk
21/79	FOOTPATHS, RIGHTS OF WAY, VERGES	
	79.1	To review list from meeting with James Collingridge, PCC, re verges and review actions outstanding. To note gate and post finished at New Close. The list of actions has been updated and were noted. There are still outstanding issues regarding the speed control measures and MVAS. These will be chased up as well as the rumble strips not rumbling as thought they would. Another complaint has been received regarding unsuitable vehicles getting stuck in Helpston Road. The signs are still outstanding. Action Clerk to chase and copy to Cllr Hiller.
21/80	ALLOTMENTS AND PARISH LAND	
	80.1	To note renewals for garden allotment tenancies circulated and waiting list currently 6 people. The Clerk reported tenancies are being processed. The Chairman reported a water meter reading at New Close of 10612.
	80.2	To note temporary signs for recreation ground put up. Awaiting decision on email/website addresses. This was noted, also that waiting decision on email/website addresses for the permanent signs.
	80.3	To note and review regular social football on recreation ground and resolve any issues. This was noted and reviewed and no issues reported, so permission granted.
	80.4	To note regular checks of recreation ground needed and agree suggestion of a rota. It was thought that ad hoc checks are sufficient and no rotas necessary. It was thought that the stumps are checked by PCC. Action Clerk to check
	80.5	To note report of asbestos tipped is on private land. This was noted and as it is still there, will be reported again as not thought to be on private land.
21/81	DONATIONS TO LOCAL GROUPS	
	81.1	To consider and resolve a donation to Nene Park Trust for their help with stumps. It was agreed to donate £75 to Nene Park Trust for their help with moving the large tree stumps. Action Clerk

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21/82	ROAD SAFETY WORKING GROUP	
	82.1	To receive and note update and feedback from working group and agree any actions/expenditure, including new MVAS and start of Speedwatch now road markings repainted. It was agreed to restart the Speedwatch scheme now the roundels match the speed limit. Action Cllr Perkins.
	82.2	To review speed restriction measures implemented and resolve follow up action. These were reviewed with footpaths item and further updates will be forwarded. Action Clerk
	82.3	To note contact details for queries circulated by Highways Dept at PCC. A new central system for PCC Highways Maintenance at queries was noted.
21/83	PLANNING : TO NOTE LATEST APPLICATIONS AND RESOLVE RESPONSES TO NEW ONES Responses were agreed and others noted as follows:	
	83.1	20/01026/FUL Construction of dual use cycle/pedestrian path and associated earthworks from Sutton village across the meadows to the Nene Valley Railway station at Stibbington including cattle grids, a new 3m wide timber cycle/footbridge over field drain and new flight of steps with wheeling channel to the across the River Nene. Deadline 18/2/21. Permission refused. Appeal lodged.
	83.2	21/00421/FUL Temporary change of use of ground floor from vacant dwelling to storage for retail use – retrospective at 109 Peterborough Road. Permission granted until 30/11/21 and then remove all changes within 3 months.
	83.3	21/00688/HHFUL single story rear extension at 5 Maffit Road, deadline 30/6/21. Permission granted.
	83.4	21/00779/HHFUL demolition of garage and outbuildings. Build s/s/side extension and 2 story rear extension, erect replacement porch and detached garage at 9 Maffit Road, deadline 13/7/21. Permission granted
	83.5	21/01030/CTR fell conifer at 33 Helpston Road. Permission given.
	83.6	21/00791/HHFUL proposed 2 storey rear extension and garage extension to the front at 27 Maffit Road. Response sent. Awaiting decision.
	83.7	New; 21/01234/CTR pollard Willow and trim hedge, fell Fir tree and remove branches of Ash at 55 Main St. Permission granted 20/9/21.
	83.8	New; 01192/HHFUL/LBC s/s rear extension with replacement windows and front door with porch at 49 Main St, deadline extension requested. It was agreed to send a no objections response. Action Clerk
	83.9	To note communication from Hereward Homes re application to build on Vogal site to be submitted. Noted.
21/84	COMMUNICATIONS/WEBSITE/FACEBOOK, TRIBUNE AND PARISH NEWS To agree communications and entries. Tribune deadline 14/10/21. No recent entries have been sent. It was agreed that the Clerk will submit an article about the Nature Recovery/Re-wilding project and Halloween event. Action Clerk	
21/85	CLERK REPORT/COMMUNICATION. This was all noted and no action needed. a) To receive information regarding village First Responder scheme, circulated. b) To note dates for councillor training and allotment training x 3 sessions. Peterborough Parish Forum dates 24/9/21, 15/10/21, 19/11/21. No takers for recent Code of Conduct training but more planned. c) To note advice from County Safety Advisory Group re events d) To note ACRE looking for new Trustees, circulated e) To note Clerk request for contracted hours increase, meeting planned/held f) To note Queen’s Jubilee and beacon initiative advice from NALC g) To note communication from resident re use of a Land Agent and use of the land to remain for crops, plus consideration to use of fencing/hedging to stop ploughing and resolve response. h) To note correspondence regarding the Chapel and resolve any action. In addition, The Peterborough Conference theme is “Think Communities” and topics are invited to be suggested.	
21/86	ORDERS FOR PAYMENT; Payments were all agreed to be made as follows;	
	86.1	Clerk pay £272.16 plus home office £27 - PAYE £4.20 payable 30/9/21 £294.96
	86.2	Clerk extra hours Jun/Jul/Aug 15@£12 ph £180
	86.3	Reimburse Zoom subscription and ink shared pm J Rice paid Sept £3.91 and £5
	86.4	J Rice mileage Aug and postage £20.70 and £0.96
	86.5	CGM invoices 241331, 241071 (241071 £744 paid and 241124 £186 paid) £186
	86.6	Donations as agreed at meeting £75
	86.7	Employer HMRC payment September, deducted from clerk salary (£4.40 paid in August) £4.20
	86.8	Wave water bill £24
	86.9	Gary Archer for cutting rec wild area £300
	86.10	Adam Curtis web design, annual maintenance contract and service £135

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	86.11	J Elson seeds and bulbs plus plants as agreed NRP paid August plus additional, new expenditure	£558.11 paid and £500
	86.12	Recreation Group event	Up to £500
	86.13	Receipts/ transfers. Precept and grant from PCC Business bond interest Allotment rent to date of agenda	£6000 £112.46 £118.50
21/87	DATE OF NEXT MEETING It was noted that the next Parish Council meeting is on 18th October 2021 at 7.30pm, venue Chapel unless notified otherwise.		

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