

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF AILSWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

ON MONDAY 15th NOVEMBER 2021 AT 7.30PM

Held at the Chapel, Main St, Ailsworth

Present were Councillors Dr M Ellershaw (Vice-Chairman), Mr S Langston Jones, Mr R Moon, Mrs A Perkins, Mrs J Pickett (Chairman), Mr M Samways (arrived 7.50pm). **Clerk** Miss J Rice

Members of the public Mr M Stalley (Nature Recovery Group)

21/106	APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE. To receive apologies sent to the Clerk. Apologies were received from Cllr Samways to arrive late and Mr J Hodder. Cllr Phillips was absent.
21/107	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.
21/108	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. Mr M Stalley was happy to wait to be invited to speak on the NRP item 113.1
21/109	MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING (previously circulated)
	To confirm as correct the record of the minutes of the meeting on Monday 18th October 2021, Chairman to sign. The minutes were confirmed as a true and accurate record of the meeting and duly signed by the Chairman.
21/110	REPORT FROM WARD COUNCILLOR S. FAROOQ if available. The Ward Councillor was not present and sent no report or apologies.
21/111	GOVERNANCE AND FINANCE
	111.1 To note bank account balances and current budget situation and notes, herewith. The Clerk reported the current account balance as £18939.26, deposit account as £20000 and business bond value as £5511.72 and explained the current finance situation to help with budget and precept setting.
	111.2 To note quarter internal finance checks not done – appoint a back up Councillor to do them. The Clerk reported these had not been done and Cllr Perkins offered to do them. Action Clerk/Cllr Perkins
	111.3 To note budget requests for next year and agree any new amounts to build into budget and precept, taking into account recent surveys. To resolve action/ who to be on working party budget setting meeting. Next year's budget was discussed and ideas put forward included Nature Recovery Project costs as £700 pa maintenance and possible £1900 project costs. The Clerk explained there are currently 14k earmarked reserves (assuming the highways works are paid for) to carry forward and general reserves of 20k still. It was agreed that a definite plan for the overall recreation ground play area is needed, plus a plan for the management of parish land/hedgerows once consultation and analysis has been completed and an idea around the future of the Chapel building to set the direction of the future budget and precept. It was agreed it was too late for next year and a budget will be drafted on definite, current plans. Action Clerk, Working Party It was further agreed to invite visits from some equipment suppliers for ideas on options. Action Clerk
	111.4 To receive feedback from annual asset checks assigned to Councillors after last meeting. Cllr Moon had submitted his checks/form with advice on the goal nets. New hoops/pegs will be investigated and ordered. Cllr Pickett had checked the notice board and bus shelter and noticed the Silver Birch branch overhanging onto the roof needs trimming and the fascia boards need painting. Action Cllr Langston-Jones offered. Cllr Langston Jones will also check the Donkey Paddock and New Close field allotments. Cllr Phillips to check the information board.
	111.5 To note new Code of Conduct is in line with PCC code and note training video available, circulated. This was noted.
	111.6 To receive information re setting up of separate council email account and website of same name and resolve expenditure, circulated. The Clerk had circulated more details around the different costs and options to set up .gov.uk email addresses and it was agreed to the forwarding to Gmail accounts option Action Clerk

Signed by Chairman _____ Date _____ -

21/112	COMPLAINT	
	112.1	<p>To receive and note feedback from recent complaint hearing re recent planning application and agree any actions/recommendations.</p> <p>It was reported that the hearing had been held. Action agreed to amend the website statement on planning applications and a seemingly helpful, 2-way discussion held on the process for commenting on the application. The outcome has been communicated in writing.</p>
21/113	PARISH PROJECTS	
	113.1	<p>To receive update from Nature Recovery Group and resolve any expenditure submitted, plus ideas for communication and village notices and website adaptation for Facebook and Twitter links.</p> <p>M Stalley updated the Council on recent planting activity and the useful meeting with the Tree Officer. There are plans to plant the free trees received with the school children and buy 7 more substantial trees plus mulch up to £600 agreed. M Stalley will communicate dates and times for others to join in. The Plant a Tree for Jubilee initiative will be tied in with the Queen's Jubilee event group with a plaque. It was thought a tree replacement strategy should be drafted in advance of losing more trees.</p> <p>It was further agreed to arrange the annual tree survey now, due to the recent high winds and potential damage. Action Clerk/M Stalley</p> <p>Cllr Langston Jones had tried out the current website and thought was too clunky and needs changing to be easier to upload and share information to other platforms. It will be investigated in due course.</p> <p>Action Cllr L Jones.</p>
	113.2	<p>To receive update on the Plant a tree for Jubilee initiative and resolve action by PC following meeting with PCC Tree Officer. See above.</p>
21/114	JOINT COMMUNITY ACTION PLAN/NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN/JOINT PARISH LIAISON GROUP (JPLG)	
	114.1	<p>To discuss Climate Change Action plans adapted from CPC's and circulated and agree a common text.</p> <p>The Clerk had circulated an amended and adapted version of the CPC policy. Feedback included questioning the need for the high level document and maybe a simpler list of actions would suffice. The parish land section needs to tie in with the PLWG also. It was agreed it needs more time and feedback and the item will be C/F. It was noted that there is CAG event on Home Energy in the Cedar Centre 2-4pm on Sunday 21/11/21. Action Cllrs/Clerk</p>
	114.2	<p>To receive feedback on seminar on "Levelling up the environment through biodiversity net gain".</p> <p>This was not attended this time.</p>
21/115	FOOTPATHS, RIGHTS OF WAY, VERGES	
	115.1	<p>To review any new or outstanding issues and agree action.</p> <p>It was agreed there are not any outstanding issues. Most actions deemed possible by PCC have been carried out. The possibility of planters will be investigated for open areas, however are not permitted on highway's verges. Action Clerk</p>
21/116	ALLOTMENTS AND PARISH LAND	
	116.1	<p>To receive and note draft Terms of Reference, previously circulated, for a Parish Land Working Group and resolve content.</p> <p>The terms were circulated and agreed just with an amendment on quorate. Action Clerk</p>
	116.2	<p>To receive feedback following the recent Halloween event and agree any subsequent actions.</p> <p>There was feedback from Cllr Samways, Ellershaw and Perkins that it was successful overall despite the adverse weather and 30 questionnaires have been received so far. It was agreed to extend the deadline for these. Thanks were specifically given to Mr and Mrs Stalley and Mr and Mrs Elson for all of their hard work.</p>
21/117	VILLAGE GROUPS	
	117.1	<p>To receive feedback on use of room/rent for the Chapel as a donation or payment.</p> <p>Cllr Pickett confirmed they will send an invoice for use of room payments.</p>
	117.2	<p>To note update from Platinum Jubilee event group, circulated and resolve any queries or expenditure.</p> <p>Cllr L Jones updated the Council on the event being reduced by a day to the Friday/Saturday 3&4/6/22. It was agreed to give permission for a beacon/cresset on Ailsworth Green. It was agreed to pay the previously agreed donation of £750 to the group.</p>
21/118	ROAD SAFETY WORKING GROUP	
	118.1	<p>To receive and note update and feedback from Road Safety working group and agree any actions/expenditure, including new MVAS and start of Speedwatch. To note line markings etc all done as per email.</p>

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		The update was received and noted. The MVAS and pole quote/install will be chased up. Action Cllr Perkins
21/119	PLANNING : TO NOTE LATEST APPLICATIONS AND RESOLVE RESPONSES TO NEW ONES	
	119.1	21/00791/HHFUL proposed 2 storey rear extension and garage extension to the front at 27 Maffit Road. Response sent. Awaiting decision.
	119.2	21/01555/CTR Willow to repollard, Plum to reduce in height, Plum to reduce in height and Laburnum to prune at 50 Main St. Response sent, awaiting decision, since permitted 10/11/21.
	119.3	NEW 21/01624/OUT Construction of 2 detached dwellings with all matters (listed) reserved at Castor and Ailsworth tennis club, Holme Close. Deadline 16/11/21. It was decided to send support to the outline application as it is in line with and an identified development site in the Neighbourhood Plan. Action Clerk
21/120	COMMUNICATIONS/WEBSITE/FACEBOOK, TRIBUNE AND PARISH NEWS To agree any new communications and entries sent. Tribune deadline 10/12/21. M Stalley agreed to write an article about the recent NRP re-wilding work, recent event and tree planting. Action M Stalley	
21/121	CLERK REPORT/COMMUNICATION a) To note next CAPALC Peterborough Parish Forum date 19 th November 2021, 10.30 to 11.30am. Noted. b) Social asset list request for Good Neighbours scheme. Information was given and will be sent. Action Cllr Pickett/Clerk c) It was noted the Castor Lodge Open Day is Friday 19 th November d) It was noted that Peterborough and surrounding area is an Enhanced Response Area encouraging extra measures due to a high level of covid cases. e) The management meeting at Castor Hanglands was noted for Wednesday 17 th November.	
21/122	ORDERS FOR PAYMENT; The following payments were agreed to be made as follows;	
	122.1	Clerk pay £272.16 plus home office £27 - PAYE payable 30/11/21 £294.76
	122.2	Reimburse ink shared pm J Rice paid November £5
	122.3	J Rice mileage October £9.90
	122.4	Reimburse clerk for A4 paper £4.02
	122.5	Chapel payment To come
	122.6	J Elson, bulbs, Nature Recovery project £103.17
	122.7	J Elson, flyers and laminating for Halloween event £40
	122.8	Cllr Samways for display boards for Halloween event £59.98
	122.9	Cllr Ellershaw pumpkins for Halloween event £23.76
	122.10	Cllr Perkins various for Halloween event £107.51
	122.11	Employer HMRC payment November to be deducted from salary £4.40
	122.12	C and A Celebration Group, Jubilee event £750
	122.13	Goal net hoops/pegs tbc
	122.14	Email accounts £220 initially
	122.15	Tree survey tbc
	122.16	Mulch and larger trees, NRP Up to £600
	122.17	New baubles/decorations/batteries £50
	122.18	Receipts/ transfers. Transfer from Easton on the Hill PC bank account for rent paid in error, invoice error new bank details, £567 and £150 £717 Other allotment rent, new tenant £19.29
21/123	DATE OF NEXT MEETING To note that the next Parish Council meeting TBC for 20th December 2021 at 7.30pm venue Chapel unless notified otherwise.	