

ALVESCOT PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 16th March 2016

Present : Richard Munro (RM), Justine Garbutt (JG) Andy McIntyre (AM), Mike Honour (MH)
Members of Public: R Lewin (RL) , M Farley (MF)

ACTION

108 **Apologies for Absence:**

Becky Hird (BH)

109 **To Receive Declarations of Interest:**

None

110 **Adjournment for Public**

MF reported he has visited the School and they have changed their minds and although are not able to donate money for the playground from the education budget they will donate from other means. The Village Hall will also make a contribution.

RL no comments to bring to the Councils attention,

111 **Minutes of Last Meeting**

111.1 Minutes of meeting 17th February were accepted and signed

111.2 Minutes of Fete meeting 23rd February. JG reported that there had been a request to revise the wording on a post meeting note. RL interjected how can we approve the minutes if the sub-Committee had not agreed them. AM said the split of money was not to be talked about anymore he will not discuss the money that has not yet been raised. JG was asking advise on how to handle the situation when minutes cannot be agreed. The Clerk suggested to JG that as the minutes were in dispute the best way forward is to take the minutes to the meeting and then it can be decided on, by the meeting, if any wording is to be changed. JG agreed the minutes would be deferred to the next meeting.

111.3 103.1 McCracken has agreed to clear the extra piece of footpath when they do the other end of the village. Price was agreed at £50.

Mike Honour entered the meeting.

112 Car Park- David Waters e mail was read, it was decided that as we now have the support for funding we will go ahead and resurface the whole car park as per the quote. This will be after the fete monies have been received and then the balance can be split three ways.

113 **Planning Applications: RM**

113.1 Rectory Farm 15/04148/FUL- withdrawn

113.2 5 Thorpes Field, 16/00205/FUL awaiting decision. No objections

113.3 5 Thorpes Field 16/00537/HHD – There is a requirement to be sensitive to the streetscape

113.4 Rectory Farm- 16/00454/FUL – Concern over flooding- is this cause to object. This should be raised with Thames Water, more of a concern is the sewage. The precedent is in the farmyard with buildings already having been converted.

113.5 Unit 3, The Walk 6/00551/HHD – awaiting decision no comments

113.6 Priory Barn 16/00287/HHD- extend from 3 bay to 4 bay garage. No objections.

113.7 Need not Greed- PC would comment anyway if there was a consultation. Local Plan has to carry on and there was little consultation on some parts of it. Growth in areas should be committed to; what they want to take to Government may not be what the Committee want to. Unlikely we want to respond. The conclusion is that there are 40% more houses than in the plan now ie 10 x Witney across the County and that is not practical. We cannot agree to pass the motion

as they have asked.

- 114 Community Led Planning: (CLP) & Local Plan (LP): RM/JG**
114.1 RM to write completed draft by end of March.
114.2 RM read email from AGGROW. The abstraction is now with the Government and LP has not been adopted therefore it should fail. 1/5th of the monies have already been spent so there is only ~£800 left.
- 115 Playing Field: MH**
115.1 Worst areas of repair have been fixed. £1177.50 has been spent.
- 116 Traffic & Highways -**
116.1 Potholes in Mill Lane have been looked at by OCC but still not filled. Sign on the T junction has come down.
- 117 Environment & Conservation: AM**
117.1 No update
- 118 Countryside & Footpaths:**
118.1 Nigel & Sue are mapping the footpaths. Clerk has asked for help from R Spurs concerning perimeter footpath. Update will be asked for.
- 119 Communication: AM**
119.1 Quiz and treasure hunt were in the last Forum can do again as the date has been changed. Wait until after CLP meeting and then do another edition.
- 120 Village Hall Rep: BH**
120.1 No report
120.2 Dealt with in item 112. No quotes obtained for shed as yet.
120.3 Consultation has still not taken place. The bus route is safe until June. Funding is being withdrawn on 16th July.
- 121 Finance**
121.1 Cheque list and accounts balance circulated and agreed. Cheques were signed.
121.2 New audit procedures were explained to the Council by Clerk. It was decided the Council will not opt out.
- 122 Code of Conduct**
Deferred.
- 123 Village Matters**
123.1 Fete- arrangements are progressing. It was thought that next year there would be a vote to run it automatically.
123.2 Litter Pick: AM signed Risk Assessment. MH will arrange the pickers and collect and return.
123.3 There has been a complaint that the resident of Shill House has been using powered tools from 10pm til midnight.
123.4 R Mawle has spoken to the Coal Yard concerning development- there has been no Council consultation. We will need documentation before we can discuss.
- 107 Next Meeting**
Next meeting will be on 20th April 2016.
RM extended his apologies.