

ALVESCOT PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 15th February 2017

Present: Mike Honour (MH), Richard Munro (RM), Justine Garbutt (JG), Dennis Govan (DG), M Farley (MF), R Lewin (RL)

- 135 Apologies for Absence:
Becky Hird (BH),
- 136 To Receive Declarations of Pecuniary Interest
None
- 137 Adjournment for Public Participation
MF- I have been in contact with the Clerk and WODC concerning the Lottery Licence. As promoter of the Lottery on the Alvescot Parish Council licence will this cover the Fete this year. RM- the tickets are printed with the name of the promoter only so the licence will have no affect on the printing. MF- they need to be changed this year to contain more wording. RM- They have sufficed every year til now. If more wording is needed then the printing will need to wait. Clerk- clarification from WODC states that as soon as the Fete Committee become a CIO they need to apply for their own licence to cover the raffle this year. This is expected to happen in March (according to latest minutes) therefore the APC licence cannot be used as they will no longer be under the APC umbrella. MF stated he would report back to the Fete committee. MF also asked for update on Car Park. This will be taken in the meeting.
- 138 Minutes of Meeting:
138.1 Minutes were accepted and signed with one alteration
138.2 Fete minutes- 30/01/17 were accepted and signed
138.3 none
- 139 Fete:
At Chairman's' discretion this item was moved up the agenda. Lottery licence they will be under our licence until CIO is formed then must apply for their own immediately.
Committee asked if the grass could be cut early for the Fete.
- 140 Planning Applications:
140.1 16/04045/FUL Park Farm – should be on agenda for next planning meeting ~ 6th March. RM has asked to speak at the meeting.
- 141 Local Plan and Plan A:
141.1 As attached-
Item 4.1 DG formed sub-Committee to investigate options
Item 4.2 PCSO Colin Daniels invited to attend but did not arrive. Clerk will contact
Item 5.2 Awaiting reply from Paul Wilson – OCC will not remove leaves so we will have to undertake this ourselves
Item 6.1 Clerk awaiting new owners to move into Alvescot House- Tom Pearce believed to be his name.
Item 9.1 & 9.2 Thames Water no given satisfactory response. Clerk will contact Robert Courts MP to see if he can help
Clerk will contact WODC concerning dog bin in car park.

- 142 CLR:
No update
- 143 Playing Field:
143.1 Repairs have been carried out by Morris'
143.2 MUGA due to be cleaned on 30th March 2017. Funds allocated in Precept.
- 144 Car Park – DG:
144.1 Governor's of school have no time to commit but support DG and MF to look into alternatives. Information will be shared with the School to keep them in the loop.
- 145 Traffic & Highways:
145.1 Small potholes have been mended.
Drain cover Lower End- has this been fixed?
145.2 JG- Accidents on the junction of B4477 and B4020 are statistically worse than the A420. OCC hold all the statistics if we can get hold of the data JG will look at before the next meeting. This may help us in reducing the speed etc.
- 146 Environment & Conservation:
146.1 None
146.2 The answer we have received from Thames Water is very unsatisfactory. They state that they carried out a CCTV inspection in September 2016 and did not find a dog leg. The levels of water that trigger the alarm have been lowered so alarm is raised earlier and flooding should not occur. Carterton is carrying out work on their pumping station so this should help Alvescot. The Carterton pumping station is not linked to Alvescot! Clerk will contact Robert Courts and ask for his help.
- 147 Countryside & Footpaths:
147.1 Dan Weekes has contacted Clerk and sent photographs of the fencing which has been moved over and the path widened. The question is is it in the correct place. We have no rights to ask them to leave it at a certain width therefore we will wait for the definitive map team to report back on any historic data on the width of the path.
- 148 Village Hall Representative BH:
148.1 MF Store room has been tidied but woodworm has been found. Jobs to be undertaken: doors to be painted, hand dryer foxed in mens toilet, felt roofing needs attention. MF restated that Village Hall will only contribute matched funding as the school NOT 1/3rd of the cost of the car park.
- 149 Finance:
149.1 Cheques paid list was circulated and approved. Cheques were signed.
149.2 Weed Control contract for village was agreed. Contract for MUGA will be discussed with MDCH.
149.3 Clerks hours – with website now running and extra items being added to Clerks work under the Transparency Code the Clerk will need to increase her hours by 2 hours per month. This was agreed and would be monitored to see if it was sufficient.
- 150 Correspondance:
150.1 CIL Consultation- No response
150.2 Unitary Council sessions- No response
150.3 RM to look at and ask John Bowler if there is need to comment.
- 151 Communication:
151.1 Parish Pump- Litter pick, April meeting on 5th April,
151.2 RM will write another Forum to include Precept, litter pick April 8th 10am, leaf clearing.
- 152 Future Meetings:
Next meeting will take place on 15th March 2017. April meeting date change 5th April.