

Approved minutes for a Meeting of Alderbury Parish Council held on Wednesday 7th September 2016 at St. Marys Hall, Whaddon.

- Present:** Cllrs Hartford (Chairman), Mernagh, Reeder, Sell, Clarke, Considine, Jennings, Hughes, Richardson, Pace and Diprose.
- In attendance:** Mrs Alison McGowan (Clerk), PC Matt Holland, PCSO Tina Roylance, Alasdair Jones-Perrott (Longford Estate), 1 resident.
- Apologies:** Unitary Cllr Britton

Cllr Hartford opened the meeting at 7.30pm and welcomed everyone to the September meeting.

Members of the Public

Alasdair Jones-Perrott as the Estate Manager at Longford confirmed that the estate has a lot of woodland around the village that is private land. The estate has recently received a number of complaints about litter and dog fouling at the canal plantation in particular. Longford Estate is very happy for people to use the woodland, but request that they are respectful of the countryside code. Signs will be erected over the next few weeks to confirm this at both the canal plantation and Ivy church.

Cllr Hughes joined the meeting at 7.31pm.

Cllr Diprose joined the meeting at 7.32pm.

Report from the Neighbourhood Police Team

PC Matt Holland introduced himself and PCSO Tina Roylance. On October 17th the new policing teams will be launched. They will be referred to as Community Policing teams rather than Neighbourhood Policing teams. There will not be any officers starting their duties from the Alderbury and Wilton police stations. Both will close in time, however for the time being both will still be useable. Officers will start from Bourne Hill, Salisbury. Alderbury station is still well used during the day, particularly by response officers. PCSO Tina Roylance will be on the area and will use the station and other drop in spots. PC Matt Holland knows the area very well as he has been in the Downton and Alderbury area for 20 years. Tina will be the main point of contact for any issues. She can involve the police if their 'powers' are required. There will be two co-ordinators for Salisbury and PC Matt Holland will be one of these.

In November Matt hopes to be able to provide a personalised report on Alderbury as an update on any local issues arising.

Cllr Hartford asked if there was any feedback about the phone as it was 'dead' when ringing 101? PCSO Tina Roylance confirmed that she would look into it. PC Matt Holland confirmed that all 101 calls are 15p for the call and can be used anywhere in the country to contact the local police team. The clerk was asked to remind residents about this service in the next edition of the Fountain. **Action: Clerk.**

PC Clissold is now working in Salisbury as a supervisor.

Report from Wiltshire Councillor Britton

The Chairman read out a report that had been sent by Cllr Britton in his absence:

August has been a very quiet month for me and I don't have anything specific to report from Wiltshire Council (WC).

Tom and I had a meeting with the Winterslow Clerk and Chairman regarding future Area Board agendas. A useful meeting, but not one which threw up any particular shortcomings. Nevertheless we picked up a few useful ideas. I think it's not generally understood (a) how rigorous I am in keeping off our Area Board agenda general WC communications; and (b) how difficult it is to continue to find agenda items which are of general interest across the community area.

I have received some criticism for having the 'Child Sexual Exploitation' item on the agenda last time. I find this astonishing. It's as if people feel 'That doesn't apply to us'. I take the view that this, and similar subjects apply to this community area although are not specific to it.

On the next agenda I'm hoping to have a subject of general interest to PCs in the run up to the precept-setting process; namely, some notes on what general maintenance work PCs can take on and under what conditions. Sorry my report is so brief but, as I say, August has been an exceptionally quiet month.

4828. Apologies for absence and to consider whether to approve the reasons given.

Cllr Britton sent his apologies prior to the meeting.

4829. Declaration of Cllrs Interests

Cllr Considine declared an interest in agenda item 4831.

4830. Council meeting minutes

Alderbury Parish Council resolved to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting on Monday 11th July 2016 without amendment.

4831. Social Club request for an increase from an annual lease to a five year lease from Alderbury Village Hall

Lin Snellgrove spoke on behalf of the Social Club committee. The Social Club would like to make some improvements, such as refit the kitchen, redecorate the club and change the structure inside and any applications for grants require a five year lease as a minimum.

Cllr Mernagh asked for clarification regarding the 'ownership' of the Social Club as there are currently investigations about rebuilding the village hall.

Alderbury Parish Council resolved (with 2 abstentions and 1 against) to keep to a one year lease at present, but would review the decision in 9 months time, in line with the progress of the village hall project. The clerk was asked to inform Cllr Britton of the decision as chairman of the 'COB' committee. **Action: Clerk.**

4832. Bench at Folly Lane

Prior to the meeting all Cllrs had been sent a copy of a letter from a resident requesting that the bench at Folly Lane is moved across the road to the top of Clarendon Road. Following discussion, Alderbury Parish Council resolved to keep the bench where it is currently. The clerk was asked to write to the resident to inform them of the decision. **Action: Clerk.**

4833. Pedestrian crossing outside of Alderbury Village Hall

Alderbury Parish Council resolved to explore a proposal to construct a pedestrian crossing on Southampton Road outside of the village hall, subject to the costings and a suitable location. The Clerk was requested to find out more details for Cllrs and put the item on a future agenda. **Action: Clerk.**

4834. Maintenance update

Cllr Hartford reported that one of the posts at the War Memorial green has broken off as it is rotten. The large pile of leaves, brambles and rubbish behind the War Memorial next to the tennis courts has been removed by Longford Estate. The aim is to grass seed this area, so that it can be cut with the rest of the grass. The Clerk is currently obtaining a price for this.

A resident living near to the Roman Catholic Chapel has contacted the Chairman to register concern about the pot holes from Avon Drive down through the village towards the post office. They have seen three people come off of their bikes due to the road surface. The issue should be reported to WC via MyWiltshireapp. The clerk was asked to remind residents of the MyWiltshireapp in the next edition of the Fountain and the details should also appear on the website. **Action: Clerk.**

A post for the gate at the far end of the burial ground required attention, together with a footboard along the path. The gate at the burial ground has also been rubbed down and stained. The toddler unit at the play area is also in the process of being repainted – all thanks to Cllr Reeder. He does a lot of work in the village that goes unnoticed – thank you!

Part of the road sign at Canal Lane has been repainted by a resident after one of the letters was removed!

A new house has been constructed just off of Rectory Road and has been raised by a resident. One of the conditions of the planning approval was that the entrance was constructed of a hard surface and not gravel which it is currently, before the house is occupied. This is a matter for planning enforcement to investigate.

Two quotations have been received to replace the railings at Old Road, however a cost will also be requested to replace both the posts and railings together.

The hedge next to the Sandringhams has been cut back by Hurdcott Landscapes to improve the visibility from the bus shelter.

The Pratten Hut and Pavilion were inspected by Cllrs Reeder and Hartford with the Chairman of the football club. Both premises were found to be clean.

There is a rotten wooden cross-bar in the wooden fence between the Social Club and Recreation field.

There has been some flyposting around the village to promote a forthcoming event, however these posters have been removed.

The new skate park ramps will be installed next week. The existing ramps will be removed next Monday.

There is a pole with a missing road sign at the end of Firs Road.

There is a 'for sale sign' down at the Sandringhams.

4835. Review of significant trees in the village

Cllrs agreed that there was a need to protect any significant trees in the village to preserve the village landscape and will collate a list of trees individually to bring back to a future meeting to discuss the potential to protect them.

Action: All Cllrs.

4836. Official opening of the Circular Footpath

Cllrs reviewed the proposals from the Alderbury Footpath Group and requested that the Clerk feedback thoughts about the proposed dates and where to cut the ribbon for the official opening.

Action: Clerk.

Finance

4837. Year ending 31st March 2017

The balance of the account as shown on the bank statement is £75,903.00 as at 1st September. A VAT reclaim is due to be made for £7,211.44. A bank reconciliation for 31st July and 31st August was sent to all Cllrs prior to the meeting. An updated version of the reserves was also sent with any projects that had been completed, removed from the list.

4838. Accounts for Payment

Alderbury Parish Council resolved to approve the following payments:

Account	Budget category	Total	Cheque no.
A McGowan	Clerks salary & pension (August & September)	£1691.58	SO's,388,389
Lockerley Stone	Clean memorial and repaint lettering	£240.00	385
The Landscape Group	Bin emptying x 4 each week (July)	£78.00	386
Scottish & Southern Energy	New electricity connection for Xmas tree	£364.01	387
A McGowan	Expenses (telephone, mileage)	£131.25	390
Hurdcott Landscapes	Grass Cutting contract	£864.00	391
SLCC	Annual Subscription	£131.00	392
Simon Pevy	Cleaning village bus shelters (August 2016)	£150.00	393
River Bourne Community Trust	Install Speed Indicator Device	£85.00	394
The Landscape Group	Bin emptying x 4 each week (August)	£78.00	395
Wiltshire Council	CATG contribution - bollards Eyres Drive	£250.00	396
Trustees of Earl of Radnor 1989	Annual rent for Waleran Close	£10.00	397
River Bourne Community Trust	Spraying of weeds on roadside (Alderbury Hill)	£175.00	398
Vision ICT	Biennial fee for .gov.uk Nov 2016 - Oct 2018	£66.00	399
Vision ICT	Website hosting and support - Nov'16 - Oct'17	£252.00	400
Totals		£4,565.84	

Matters arising from previous meetings:

4839. Review of Risk Schedules

The working party has not been able to meet as yet. The clerk was requested to move the item to a future agenda.

Action: Clerk.

4840. Fun in the Sun

Alderbury had one of the best attendance figures out of the whole county, with 75 children attending the sessions overall. The Clerk was requested to write to the organiser to thank them and confirm that the Parish Council would be happy to support the sessions again next year.

Action: Clerk.

4841. To receive reports from Cllrs representing Alderbury Parish Council on outside bodies.

There will be a Southampton Road Allotment Association meeting next Tuesday evening.

Cllr Considine met with Kate Derbyshire from Wiltshire Council and attended a Spiders Island residents meeting. The key issues raised by residents were requests to improve parking facilities on the estate and to install a play area. There will be a further meeting on 28th September to discuss the two requests in more detail.

4842. Correspondence/Clerk's report.

Cllr Hartford and the Clerk attended the Southern Area Board (SAB) meeting on 28th July in Whiteparish. At the meeting a survey was conducted about the content of SAB meetings. There was positive feedback.

The police gave an update regarding a new structure that will be launched in October. Officers will cover a wider area, but will follow crimes through from the start through to the end.

SAB will consider buying a camera to try and catch fly-tippers in the area, however the item was postponed until the next meeting to hear a presentation from the enforcement team before a final decision is made.

The clerk has received correspondence from Peter Austin at Pennyfarthing homes regarding actions he will take to obtain prices to look after the proposed 'public open space' at the development.

The clerk has received correspondence regarding the renewal of the Council's insurance. This will be a future agenda item for approval.

The clerk has received an email from a resident raising concern about the weeds and pavement along Clarendon Road. The clerk and chairman will investigate.

Councillors reported that they did not believe that the speed indicator device (SID) had been working correctly while it had been in the village. The clerk as requested to raise this with the River Bourne Community Trust.

Action: Clerk.

4843. The date of the next meeting is Tuesday 11th October 2016. Any items for the agenda must be sent to the clerk by Friday 30th September.