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Atworth Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday, 15 July, 2015
at
Atworth Village Hall, at 7pm

Draft Minutes

ATTENDING

Cllr's Effie Gale-Sides, Maureen Weston, Alan Bagnell, Arnold Snowball, Ros Cooper, and Terry Chivers Wiltshire Councillor

APOLOGIES

Cllr's William Bird, Charles Boyle, Alan Lee, Juliette de Malpas-Player

1 Welcome and Apologies

2 Minutes

To approve and sign the minutes, of the May 2015, Atworth Parish Council Meeting.

Resolved to approve the minutes MW & AS

3 Declarations of Interest - none

4 Formal closure of the meeting

5 Public Question Time

Cllr Chivers advised that the Shurnhold housing application from Gladman had been refused. He also advised that future local transport services would be impacted upon due to transport budgetary constraints

6 Reconvene the meeting

7 Police Report

Maggie Ledbury provided the following police update,

June 4 – Theft from BT van on Bath Rd
June 22 – RTC at Stonar
26 June – Vehicle obstruction outside Neston Far Shop
July 6 – Dwelling burglary at Purlpit – jewellery and cash taken

8 Youth Club – Andrew People, Session Leader Introduction

Andrew provided a summary of his past experience. He also explained that the centre still suffers from the storm damage that occurred, damp etc. He was asked to inform the Clerk if assistance was required.

He detailed current activity at the centre, including individual mentoring and a 4 month programme of team building, including, 'how to cook', etc

He was asked to consider providing a new replacement mural for the bus shelter,

9 Wiltshire Council Service Provision – Christopher Clark and Stuart Renfrew Open to questions from members

Christopher Clark provided a summary of service provision, in his role of area manager of local roads. He explained that increased adult / childcare service provision was impacting upon his available budgets.

He is always seeking asset transfer opportunities and at times struggles with the inspection and maintenance of 183 play areas.

Litter picking is an expensive business and if he can find volunteer groups to litter pick, the monies saved could be redistributed to road repairs.

'App' use is being encouraged to identify areas of need, i.e. scruffiest areas attended to first.

10 Matters Arising

- Pedestrian Crossing – CATG - Cllr Jon Hubbard has not agreed to meet and it was decided to take this matter forward by engaging with the new MP for our area (Michelle Donelan) and also inviting the relevant Wiltshire Council cabinet member, (Philip Whitehead), to our next meeting **ACTION PARISH CLERK**

- Parish Plan Review – John Polhill has the detail following our steering group meeting and will produce the final review document (8 page) ready for print and circulation. Effie Gale-Sides and David Webb, will seek a suitable new photograph for the front cover **ACTION CHAIRMAN**

- Flood Plan – The Clerk is producing a draft, also for use as a supporting document for the Area Board grant application (for the flood container). There is a requirement to find several flood wardens in the village to support the action plan within the flood plan.

The plan is to include those victims of previous flood damage and also a confidential record of vulnerable residents which will be held by the Parish Clerk.

Resolved - to appoint all Parish Councillors present as volunteer

flood wardens, in addition to Gary Gale-Sides and the Parish Clerk. Also to ask those Councillors not present to volunteer.

ACTION PARISH CLERK

- Defibrillator Training – September Sun 13th pm Andrew Freeman yet to confirm. All volunteer trainee interest to the Parish Clerk please. **ACTION PARISH CLERK** to promote this event when confirmation has been received.

11 Agenda items

- Electronic summons – requirement for members to sign and return to the Parish Clerk **ACTION ALL MEMBERS**
- Transparency Code Compliance – we are compliant following the delivery of all requirements by our Chairman
- Stile ownership (Stile at the Western entrance to the Rec)
The stile in the Recreation Ground is severely damaged and there is a significant risk of injury

It was reported that the Recreation Ground Trustees have asked the Parish Council not to reinstate the stile and they would like it to be closed. There were stile users with dogs ignoring the No Dogs signs at the Recreation Ground entrance gateways. There had been further evidence of dogs and dog faeces on the playing field.

The public footpath in that particular field is easily accessed by two alternative entrances. As there is no public footpath adjacent to the stile it is not essential. The Council confirmed its obligation to keep the Recreation Ground as safe as possible. **Resolved** - The Parish Council accepts no liability for this stile whatsoever. They will not repair or reinstate it and prefer it to be closed. **MW & RC - ACTION PARISH CLERK**

- Atworth Business Park – Trespass – no further sighting of youngsters using the area.
- Bath Rd resident concerns due to vibration from heavy passing traffic – Terry Chivers is dealing with this.
- Mobile Library – Use it or lose it! Schedules have been placed throughout the village.
- Housing Site Allocation Plan – possibility of 40 dwellings plus some infrastructure. Requirement to comment to consultant and also to Wiltshire Council, who are reviewing offered development sites.

Resolved – members to meet with the developer’s agent and also invite John Polhill, Belinda Fowler and Terry Chivers. Provisional date of meeting August 19th – **ACTION PARISH CLERK**

- Dog Warden – The Parish Clerk has met with the warden and a brief note follows, regarding the role of the warden

- *WC Dog Wardens*

- *There are two and a half members of staff, covering the whole of Wiltshire*
 - *We have to make dual use bin stickers for dog poo disposal purposes*
 - *Trespass aspects, old by laws such as those on our Rec, have been superseded by newer legislation, dog control orders which are also in the process of being superseded by public space protection orders*
 - *Environment services support dog warden activities, which are becoming more focused upon licensing of breeders and temporary homing facilities*
 - *A dog fouling pack is on its way, which provides guidance for Parishes*
 - *Sebastian Williams covers our area*
- No Cold Calling Zones – The proposal is to identify Mead Park and Fleetwood Rise as suitable areas. A meeting is now required with the Wiltshire Council representative, to move this forward
- ACTION CHAIRMAN**
- 40mph Survey – A365, Bear garage to Five ways – CATG issue, back on the agenda via Alan Lee

12 Correspondence

- Victoria Smith, Wiltshire Council - New bungalows – She will be attending the September meeting
- Chalfield Solar Farm – Appeal Dismissed
- Hills Waste / CPRE – Compost Offer
- Community Infrastructure Levy – now the way forward, replacing S 106 funding
- Wiltshire Council Service Provision Response
- Pensions Regulator – Automatic Enrolment for Staff (Parish Clerk)
- War Memorials Trust – Request for Funding – we do not fund external agencies

13 Planning Applications

Reference

Application details

W/15/05706/FUL

Front extension
108B Church St Atworth SN12 8JA

This application did not generate any comments from the Planning Sub Group

14 Authorisation of Cheques

• 000998	cancelled	
• 000999	Clerk Training	55.00
• 001000	Annual Assembly Meeting Costs	39.47
• 001001	Clock Tower Door	300.00
• 001002	WI 6 monthly invoice	288.00
• 001003	Salary	1900.80
• 001004	HMRC	327.60
• 001005	Internal Audit	90.00
• 001031	Village Sign	48.00
• 001032	Parish Online Subscription	33.60

Resolved to approve these cheques **AS & AB**

15 Financial Statement – 10/07/15

Bank Balances

Current Account – Lloyds June 30 £11959.68

Deposit Account – Santander June 6 £4544.33

Add monies owed to Council

VAT Refund Due £58.02

Monies banked but not shown 0

Deduct monies owed by Council 0

Cheques not yet cashed

001002, 001004, 001031, 001032 £697.20 £15864.83

Ring-fenced funds

• Defibrillator	554.00
• Pedestrian crossing	1000.00
• Clock tower	620.00
• Funeral bier	50.00

Total Current Net Cash Assets £13340.83

Resolved to accept the financial statement **MW & AB**

16 Any Other Business

Local election costs – future election costs will have to be met by the Parish Council - £2000 to be set aside within the precept to cover such an eventuality
ACTION PARISH CLERK

17 Date of Next Meeting

Parish Council	September 16th 2015
Housing Meeting	August 19th 2015