



Atworth Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 21st August 2019 at 6.45pm in Atworth Village Hall

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Present:

Cllrs. Effie Gale-Sides (EGS) (Chairman), Richard Clark (RC), Kathy Hartley (KH), Arnold Snowball (AS) and Cllr. Phil Alford (Wiltshire Council)

Clerk: Phil McMullen

Ref. Agenda items

041/20 1. **Welcome**

EGS welcomed those present to the meeting this evening.

042/20 2. **Apologies for absence**

The Clerk reported that apologies had been received from Cllrs. Andrew Gooding, Heather Chaplin (HC) and PCSO Maggie Ledbury

043/20 3. **Declarations of interest**

To receive Councillors' Declarations of Interests, made under the Council's Code of Conduct adopted 17th September 2017

It was noted that RC and AS are trustees of the Atworth Village Hall Charity.

044/20 4. **Questions to the Chair of the Council by Members of the Public**

Public speaking time is restricted to 15 minutes in total

Public Participation

There were two members of the public at the meeting this evening, one of whom stated that he wished to comment on planning application **19/06790/FUL**.

Reconvene meeting

The meeting was reconvened.

045/20 5. **Planning Applications** - Councillors to consider planning application(s) received

5.1 **Application Ref: 19/06790/FUL**

Application for Full Planning

Proposal:- Extension to existing building (Use Class B8), landscaping and associated works.

At: 8 Atworth Business Park, Bath Road, Atworth, SN12 8SB

The Clerk explained that the choices given were **No Comment**, **Support**, **Support subject to conditions** (please set out in box below), **Object** (for reasons set out in box below) or **No Objections**.

The meeting being quorate, following a lengthy discussion Councillors took a vote on the application before them. Three councillors stated they had no objection; one councillor objected. The Clerk was therefore directed to submit a response of **Support subject to the following conditions**: planting of suitable mature landscaping formed of native planting, and a check that the ecological programme is fully enforced.

5.2 **Application Ref:** 19/06772/FUL

Application for Full Planning

Proposal:- Loft conversion with rear extension to roof and first floor extension over garage

At: 35 Godwins Close, Atworth, SN12 8LD

Councillors discussed the application and expressed concern over the height of the new roof which appears overbearing and is not in keeping with the neighbouring developments.

Councillors unanimously agreed a response of “**Object** (for reasons set out in box below)” Action on the Clerk to formally respond to Wiltshire Council and to include the concerns expressed by Councillors.

5.3 **Application Ref:** 19/06737/FUL

Application for Full Planning

Proposal:- Single storey side extension

At: 81B Bradford Road, Atworth, SN12 8HY

Councillors unanimously agreed a response of “**No Comment.**” Action on the Clerk to formally respond to Wiltshire Council.

Plans are available to view on the Wiltshire Council website at <http://planning.wiltshire.gov.uk/Northgate/PlanningExplorer/ApplicationSearch.aspx>

046/20 **6. Minutes of Previous Meeting**

6.1 To consider, approve and sign the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in July 2019

[Link to unapproved minutes](#)

Proposed by RC and seconded by AS and all those present were in agreement that the minutes represented a true record of the meeting. The minutes were duly signed by the Chairman.

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7. Finance

7.1 Approval of Payment Schedule and authorisation of cheques

[Approvals link](#)

Approvals for the meeting taking place in August 2019

Date	Payee Name	DD/Chq	Net £	VAT £	Gross £	Payment Details	Approved By
	SLCC	DD	43.00	-	43.00	SLCC membership to 2020	
	J Macfarlane	DD	375.00	-	375.00	Wall repairs (£250 prev. approved)	
	P McMullen	DD	2.26	-	2.26	Rec. Del. Postage to HMRC	
	Philip McMullen	DD	437.62	-	437.62	Salary and Office Allowance	
	HMRC	DD	109.41	-	109.41	HMRC income tax for wages	

Acceptance of the Payment Schedule was Proposed by RC and seconded by KH and approved by all.

7.2 Approval to accept Budget Monitoring Statement to end of July 2019

[Budget link](#)

Atworth Parish Budget Monitoring 2018/19				
August 2019				
	Annual Budget	Spend to date	Balance Remaining	CODE
Expenditure	£	£	£	
CLERKS SALARY	5,600	1,887	3,713	4000
CLERK'S OFFICE EXPENSES	560	189	371	4005
WI VILLAGE CLEAN & TIDY	580	288	292	4010
GENERAL ADMIN	250	73	177	4020
INSURANCE	4,300	2,119	2,181	4030
WALC	500	389	111	4050
SLCC	50	-	50	4052
BENCHES	2,300	-	2,300	4065
SID DEPLOYMENT	400	13	387	4070
VILLAGE MAINTENANCE	1,690	290	1,400	4100
AUDIT FEES	300	75	225	4157
VILLAGE HALL RATES	130	-	130	4200
REC RATES	170	-	170	4201
VILLAGE HALL	4,500	45	4,455	4203
WATER RATES	160	143	17	4205
GRASS CUTTING	4,500	301	4,199	4215
ARMISTICE WREATH (S.137*)	20	-	20	4250
YOUTH CLUB RENT	30	-	30	4261
PRESENTATIONS	100	65	35	4265
HIGHWAYS WORK	2,500	-	2,500	4300
COMMUNITY RESILIENCE EQUIPMENT	200	-	200	4320
NOTICE BOARDS	1,500	-	1,500	4335
VILLAGE ENHANCEMENTS	1,250	55	1,195	4336
CLOCK TOWER SITE IMPROVEMENTS eg 250		4,094	- £3,844	4337
VAT		965	965	515
Total Expenditure	31,840	10,991	20,849	
Income	£	£	£	
PRECEPT	28,521	14,261	14,261	1176
B/F from existing balances	3,319	-	3,319	1180
Grants	-	-	-	1050
Interest	-	-	-	1190
HMRC Tax refund	-	-	-	120
VAT refund	-	-	0	115
Total Income	31,840	14,261	17,580	
Net Expenditure	-	(3,269)	3,269	
Balance Brought Forward	20,216			
Current Balance (Cashbook)	23,485			
Current Balance (Deposit A/c)	-			
-Current Balance (Bank)	23,487			
=Unpresented cheques			2	

Acceptance of the Budget Monitoring Statement was Proposed by RC and seconded by AS and approved by all. The Clerk was asked to ascertain that the Village Hall and Recreation Ground rates for the year had been paid.

048/20 8. Any Other Business

Cllr. Phil Alford briefed the meeting on events at Wiltshire Council. former Finance Director Philip Whitehead is the new Leader of Wiltshire Council. It was noted with regret that Councillor Jerry Wickham has unfortunately passed away. In Melksham, Cllr Roy While has unfortunately been forced

to resign due to ill health. Roy had formerly been Chief Executive of West Wiltshire Council and will be sorely missed. Cllr. Phil Alford will be Chairing the CATG meetings with effect from October.

Regarding the Clocktower enhancements, AS would like to arrange a site meeting with a representative from Wiltshire Council. Clerk to contact Stuart Renfrew to try and arrange to establish what needed to be considered.

EGS noted that a resident had suggested that there appeared to be an increase in speeding heavy lorry traffic at night through the village.

The Clerk noted that we had received two letters of thanks from parishioners thanking the Council for all that we do.

049/20 **9. Date of the Next Meeting of Atworth Parish Council**

18th September 2019 – 6.45pm in the village hall

Meeting closed at 20:15

Signed.....

Date