

**ALDBOURNE PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON**  
**WEDNESDAY 1<sup>ST</sup> JUNE 2016**  
**IN THE METHODIST CHAPEL, ALDBOURNE**

**Present**

Cllr. P. Lawler (Chairman), Cllr. A. Edmonds (Vice-Chairman),  
 Cllr. H. Bland, Cllr. W. Brown, Cllr. C. McGowan, Cllr. S. Muirhead, Cllr. P. Niblock, Cllr. A. Phizacklea,  
 Cllr. R. Price, Cllr. J. Rayner,

Mrs K Clay – Parish Clerk

In attendance: 4 members of the public, Cllr. J. Sheppard (WC)

**28. Apologies for absence**

Apologies were accepted from Cllr. L. Harris, Cllr. N. Josephy, Cllr. H. Keen, Cllr. M. Pryce & Cllr. G. Salman

**29. Declaration of interests in respect of any item contained in this Agenda & granting of any dispensations required – None****30. Consider and sign the Minutes of the May 2016 Annual Parish Council meeting**

It was RESOLVED unanimously that the minutes from the Annual Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May 2016 be approved and signed.

**31. Matters arising**

- a) (13a) Poor state of the Lottage Road raised foot path – Cllr. Sheppard chasing for a fix.
- b) (13b) Erosion of Kandahar roadside bank – Cllr. Sheppard chasing for a fix.
- c) (13c) Drainage issue at the top of Oxford Street – Cllr. Sheppard trying to get an ETA.
- d) (13e) – The Grasshills and Ewins Hill byways - All RoW work has been stopped due to budget cuts. As the Grasshills work was a continuation of previous work that was not carried out to a sufficient standard, Cllr. Sheppard will continue to try and get this work completed. The Ewins Hill byway is actually considered a road. Cllr. Sheppard will raise this with highways.
- e) (13f) New Back Lane warning sign (4377) – Awaiting action from CATG
- f) (13g) Missing section of path on Lottage Road (4468) – Awaiting action from CATG
- g) (13h) Poor state of path on Lottage Road beyond the raised section (4470) – Awaiting action from CATG
- h) (13i) Bus stop sign (4469) – CATG has agreed that the sign can be painted. Cllr. Sheppard to chase for an ETA.
- i) (13j) Upper Upham replacement sign – Still no ETA on replacement, Cllr. Sheppard to chase.
- j) (13k) Castle Street wall – The render has been removed, and the wall underneath is sound.
- k) (13l) Planting over culvert on Lottage Road – WC writing to residents to advise of the costs that could be involved if any planting damages the pipework.
- l) (13m) Fly tipping on Peaks track – No sooner is one lot cleared, than another appears.
- m) (13n) Damage to grass on Southward Lane (top of football field) – No update.
- n) (13o) Sewer surcharging behind Pond House – Cllr. Josephy is meeting Ian Binding from Thames Water on Thursday to discuss whether some additional one way inspection hatches would help to prevent surface water getting into the sewers and causing this.
- o) (13p) Bus shelter – Wires put back as best they could be. Thatcher will be chased again.
- p) (13q) Highway issues – Wiltshire Council confirm jobs have been raised with the Parish Steward for the moss on the pavement opposite the co-op, 2 blocked gullies, debris on the corner of Alma Rd & weeds in Alma/Cook Rd. No work has taken place yet, to be chased.
- q) (13r) State of the footpath across the front of The Old Manor – The owner of the house whilst keen to do what he could to help, felt the issue had been caused when the road was dug up to install the fibre broadband. Cllr. Lawler arranging to meet him to discuss the issue further.

- r) (13s) Tubs on footpaths/highways – It is up to WC to enforce these issues.
- s) (230c) Sports field damage in March – A call has been received from Sgt. Richard Barrett re the damage to the football pitch from the car incident, he advised they have had no success and will now close the case.

### **32. Clerks report**

- BMX track – Brennan's do now have the material to carry out this work, but have not been able to give a start date yet. AYC have their £800 towards the costs in place.
- Zurich insurance managed to bring their quote down to just below the 3 year AON quote. Zurich's quote for a 3 year deal at £961.68 was therefore accepted. This price will increase slightly each year if all assets are increased by the usual 3% index linking.
- The PC received a query about the boundary around No. 8 Oxford Street. Having spoken to the owners no issue could be found. The people who originally reported the issue have been advised to contact Wiltshire Council if they still feel there has been an infringement.
- The Brownies tea party on the 11<sup>th</sup> June has had to be cancelled due to a lack of volunteers coming forward to help.
- The Combined Churches would like to hold a bring your own picnic on The Green on the 12<sup>th</sup> June to celebrate the Queens Birthday. There will also be a children's competition for the best made home made crown.
- The organisers of the dog show being held on The Green on the 17<sup>th</sup> July would like to mark out some small areas with a washable spray paint, as they are unable to set up the day before.
- The villages entry into the Laurence Kitching 'winners of winners' competition has been sent off and received. Judging will take place in early July.

There were no objections to the combined churches picnic on the 12<sup>th</sup> June, or the dog show organisers marking out areas with washable paint for the 17<sup>th</sup> July.

### **33. Receive monthly financial report and sign any cheques for payments**

It was RESOLVED unanimously to approve the accounts and cheques for payment as presented. A copy of the financial report is attached to these minutes.

### **34. Questions and request from the public for councillors to consider – None**

### **35. Consider Parish Council ARC liaison**

It was RESOLVED unanimously to continue to have an ARC liaison role, and to ask Cllr. Pryce to continue in this position.

### **36. Update on Neighbourhood Plan & consider any actions required**

The area designation application has been submitted. Wiltshire Council now has 6 weeks to consult on this and come back to advise if the area submitted is acceptable. A link officer has still not been assigned, despite repeated chasing. Cllr. Sheppard agreed to chase this up.

### **37. Updated on Aldbourne interpretation sign & consider any actions required**

A meeting with the designers has been held, and the project is progressing well. It is hoped a draft of the sign will be available for the July meeting

### **38. Update on beech trees by tennis courts & decision on any action required**

Guy Watson has not yet been able to arrange a meeting with David Wyatt.

### **39. Discuss grass cutting & consider any action required**

There was a poor start to the grass cutting, but the contractor has now been out and personally cut all the areas. There are two small areas that were missed, but these will be sorted on the next visit. The contractor will be coming back out next week for the next cut. Providing the cutting remains at a high standard for the rest of the season there should be no reason to take further action.

**40. Consider use of remainder of Barnes S106 money**

Cllr. Edmonds showed some adult fitness equipment that could be placed around the sports field area. The council liked this idea and agreed that further enquires into the type of equipment, and where they could be located should be made.

**41. Decision on repainting the pump**

It was RESOLVED unanimously to allow Cllr. Lawler to purchase some black paint to the cover the whole pump. He will ask for some volunteers to help him with the painting.

**42. Discuss teen shelter on Palmers Field**

There have been small signs of improvement in this area, with some of the people using it having been seen bringing their rubbish down to be disposed of in nearby bins. The BMX bin that Tim Beattie is building is nearly ready to be put up there, and he will empty this once a month. The Parish Council felt that to remove the teen shelter would just push the problem to somewhere else in the village. The council will continue to monitor the situation.

**43. Discuss bench on Lottage Road**

The bench is on WC land, and thus the council has no jurisdiction over what is placed there. The person that complained about it will be asked to take this up with WC if they feel there is a need.

**44. Discuss CCTV in the village**

This item was deferred until the July meeting when it is hoped Cllr. Keen will be available to give more information.

**45. Consider expenditure for on-line mapping system**

It was RESOLVED unanimously to pay £91.20 for use of the mapping system for one year.

**46. Receive and adopt the May 2016 planning committee minutes**

The minutes from the meetings held on 4<sup>th</sup> May 2016 were adopted, & are attached to these minutes.

Cllr Price left the meeting

**47. Reports by councillors on any council business or village issues**

**ARC Update** – The group is working on addressing the conditions of the planning permission for the access track, as well as putting together plans for a sports pavilion. They will be holding their AGM on 2<sup>nd</sup> July in the Memorial Hall. A full copy of the report provided is attached to these minutes.

**Allotments** – Would it be okay for the saplings against the fence line on the eastern edge to be cleared? The council had no objections to this being done.

**Play areas** – All play areas are okay, and the new signs are now up in both Claridge and Goddards.

**Southward Triangle** – All is looking good up there.

**Verges** – The road side verges coming into the village from all roads are very high, and in desperate need of being cut. WC only cut twice a year, but they will be chased to see when the first cut is due.

**48. Wiltshire Council report** – Nothing further**49. Correspondence** – A list of correspondence not already mentioned is attached to these minutes.**50. Questions and requests from the public for councillors to consider**

- Is the library going to be put on the interpretative board?  
It is one of the buildings being considered for inclusion.

**51. Confirm date of next meeting** – 6<sup>th</sup> July 2016 @ 7.30pm in the Memorial Hall

**There being no other business the meeting closed at 8.50pm**

**Chairman's Signature:** \_\_\_\_\_ **6<sup>th</sup> July 2016**



