

NOTES FROM ANNUAL MEETING OF ASTON INGHAM PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 8th MAY 2017 AT 7.30 P.M. IN THE VILLAGE HALL

ATTENDED BY Mr J. Whatley (Chairman), Mr C. Tormey, Mr R. Green, Mr J. Harding, Mr N. Smith, Mr S. Burns (councillors)
Mr K. Williams (Locality Steward)

ELECTION OF OFFICERS

Chairman - Mr Smith proposed Mr Whatley, Mr Harding seconded. All in favour.
Election of vice-chairman will be done later if deemed necessary.

It was hoped that Mr Potter would continue as Footpaths Officer. A vote of thanks was given for the work he has done this year to improve the condition of the footpaths in the parish.

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS - none

PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS - none

MINUTES OF APRIL MEETING were read, approved and signed, with one amendment.

ACTION POINTS ADDRESSED

Sandbags - Mr Tormey had sourced another alternative to sandbags. Clerk to check prices and order sample if suitable. (**Action Item1**)

HIGHWAYS UPDATE

There will be an annual inspection of unadopted lanes shortly, and defects will be put onto a 2b category, which means they should be dealt with within two months of inspection.

Mr Williams was asked about several outstanding items which require attention.

- Subsidence on road by Knightshill
- Potholes on May Hill, Stoney Road, Oaks Lane, Barrel Lane
- Road markings at Aston Crews
- Road markings at bend by Lanx Cottage
- Blocked gully at School House and drain to be raised
- Gate across well by Pigs Cross (Details to Kevin Williams - **Action Item 2**)

PLANNING

- 1) Land adjacent to Millbrook Gardens, Lea. 161413. Appeal dismissed.

2) As Glenleith had received planning permission for polytunnel, (170468), no further enforcement would be needed.

REVIEW OF RISK SCHEDULE/RISK ASSESSMENT

The risk schedule was checked and updated where appropriate

NEIGHBOURHOOD WATCH

There were no incidents to report.

COUNCILLOR VACANCY

Following the resignation of Mr Rodney Green, Aston Ingham Parish Council now have a vacancy for a councillor. If you would like to be involved in the affairs of the local community and in shaping the future of Aston Ingham, please contact the clerk for further details.

Posters to be displayed.

WEBSITE

There have been problems with Internet access with the council laptop, which has prevented us from updating the website. Hopefully this is now sorted and we should be up and running by the end of the month. We apologize for this, and the fact that the earlier deadlines for The Chimes have made it difficult to have reports published.

COUNCILLORS' SUBMISSIONS

Mr Harding asked about the possibility of producing a parish newsletter. It was felt that once the website was functioning and notes were published in The Chimes, it would not be necessary, but it may be considered at a later date.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Monday 22nd May (Annual Parish Meeting)
Wednesday 21st June

MEETING CLOSED AT 9.35 p.m.

The Aston Ingham Parish Council meeting is normally held in the committee room in the Village Hall on the second Monday of each month (excluding August, unless a special meeting needs to be called).

The meeting begins promptly at 7.30 p.m., and business is usually finished by 9.30 - 10.00 p.m.

Parishioners are welcome to attend the monthly meetings, and if they have any points of concern with respect to our parish to send a letter prior to the meeting to our clerk, Heather Hobbs, Brooklands Cottage, Aston Ingham, HR9 7LS, for discussion at the meeting. Alternatively, points may be raised during the allocated time for public submissions at the meeting.

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