

**MINUTES OF ASTON INGHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 2nd SEPTEMBER 2019 AT 7.30 P.M. IN
THE VILLAGE HALL**

ATTENDED BY Mr J. Whatley (Chairman), Mrs J. Askew, Mr R. Harding, Mr D. Pettit, Mr N. Smith, Mr C. Tormey, (councillors).

APOLOGIES - none

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND REQUESTS FOR
DISPENSATIONS - none

PUBLIC SUBMISSIONS - none

MINUTES OF JULY MEETING AND PLANNING MEETING 22ND JULY were approved and signed.

ACTION POINTS

These had mostly been dealt with. Data Protection carried forward following correspondence from Lynda Wilcox (H.A.L.C.)

HIGHWAYS UPDATE

1. Drain opposite church had been put on BB system to be jetted. This had already been attempted, but couldn't be completed as the contractors couldn't get the rod past the fallen drain. If problem persists Balfour Beatty may have to call in an engineer. Some action appears to have been taken today.
2. Replacement sign for Sparrow Lane. Parish Council to deal with this.
3. 'Ratholes' between Old Rectory and Village Hall have been covered by debris and silt. To be reported to Kevin Williams (**Action Item 1**)
4. Pothole by The Finches. Clerk to check time and frequency of the reports already made on this and ask Councillor Wilding if he can achieve any result for us. (**Action Item 2**).
5. Tyre in hedge - to be reported (Fly Tipping). (**Action Item 3**).
6. Potholes have been filled on May Hill. Complaints have been made about inadequacy of repairs in Oaks Lane.

PLANNING

- a) Land off B4222. 192175. Widening of access at land on south-east side at Woodfield Farm. (Retrospective) Councillors felt that this was a great improvement.

- b) Planning re-consultation. 192236. 3 White Hart Cottages. Comments from previous application stand.
- c) Caravan on land by Morgan's Farm. Planning application is being submitted.

CORRESPONDENCE

- Clerk/Council Direct
- Email from John Callaghan regarding Register Offices. Request more information. (**Action Item 4**)
- Parish Council Summit - 20th September. Mr Whatley expressed an interest in attending. Clerk to respond. (**Action Item 5**)
- Mr Whatley had received an email from Mike Edwards. To be forwarded to clerk for response. (**Action Item 6**)

DECLARATION OF INTEREST FORMS

As the Parish Council adopted a new Code of Conduct new forms had to be completed and forwarded to the Monitoring Officer. (**Action Item 7**)

NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

A Vision Statement has been set out for present and future residents. These proposals are to be put to the parishioners and support will be sought for the developments of ideas and indication of prioritising. Fliers are to be put in The Chimes advertising an Open Day, possibly in November, and leaflets will also be hand delivered to generate discussion. A questionnaire will then be formulated incorporating information gathered at the Open Day. It was felt that it was important to educate people about what potentially we could do and the importance of climate change for the future needed to be stressed.

Budget issues need to be sorted before the Open Day and a meeting with Karla Johnson (Neighbourhood Planning Team) was scheduled.

Mr Harding proposed, Mr Pettit seconded, that Data Protection for NDP should come under the umbrella of the Parish Council. All in favour.

EVACUEES' BENCH

Unfortunately, as this week was the 70th anniversary of the beginning of the evacuation, we have not been prompt enough to gain maximum publicity for the event. It was still felt that the project should be completed and there is still media interest. (**Action Item 8**). We aim to get this in place for November. Damaged oak tree by church to be dealt with before this and well grid to be installed. (**Action Item 9**).

FINANCE C.A. £5950.34 H.F. £1158.43 P.C. £11.52

1. Clerk's salary. (3 months) Mr Harding proposed this be paid, Mr Pettit

- seconded. All in favour. Cheques written. £583.68 - clerk. £145.92 - H.M.R.C.
2. Review of Clerk's salary. As there has been a recent increase it was agreed that salary would remain the same. Next review - September 2020

RISK SCHEDULE agreed at last meeting was signed by Chairman.

COUNCILLORS' SUBMISSIONS

1. Mr Harding requested that discussions about the Strategic Housing Land Availability Assessment be recorded. This was mentioned in November 2018 before the proposed sites in Aston Ingham had been publicly identified. In March of 2019 this became public knowledge with the publication of the document, which is now accessible on the council website.
2. Mr Pettit asked about the headstones in the churchyard, and whether inscriptions were recorded anywhere. Burial plots are documented but information on headstones is not included.
3. Activity has been noted on the site at Goldcliff in Oaks Lane.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING - Monday 7th October

MEETING CLOSED AT 9.15 p.m.

It was agreed that meetings in the winter months (October to March) would commence at 7.00 p.m.

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

The meeting begins promptly at 7.30 p.m., (7.00 p.m. from October to March) and business is usually finished by 9.00 - 9.30 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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