

ASTON INGHAM PARISH COUNCIL NEWS

SEPTEMBER MEETING ATTENDED BY Mr J. Whatley (Chairman), Mrs J. Askew, Mr N. Smith, Mr C. Tormey (councillors), Mr C. Hobbs, Ms S. Marsh, Mrs M. Pettit, Ms L. Reynolds, Mr N. Roberts, Mr C. Stacey, Mr K. Stephens (parishioners)

APOLOGIES WERE RECEIVED AND ACCEPTED FROM Mr J. Harding and Mr D. Hardwick

HIGHWAYS UPDATE

Some potholes filled in Oaks Lane, but surface is still disintegrating further up the lane towards Cliffords Mesne. Bridge repaired by Barrel Lane.

A response had been received from Balfour Beatty following the results of the HGV survey. It was not very encouraging and it seems unlikely that any weight restrictions will be imposed.

The issue of vehicles speeding through the village was once again discussed. Mrs Pettit thought that perhaps more direct action was necessary. Mrs Askew suggested putting an email address in the Chimes for people who are interested in tackling this ongoing problem.

No action has still been taken regarding repair of the footbridge on AG8.

FLOODING

Mr Roberts outlined the problems with run-off from Mr Stallard's field, which causes flooding of properties adjacent to Cowley Lane. He explained the history of communication between householders and Mr Stallard and the fact that remedial action on this recurring problem needs to take place before the planting of the winter crop. The Parish Council agreed to write to Mr Stallard, to remind him that he had agreed to take remedial action, and stressing the urgency. Ms Reynolds queried whether there was an Internal Drainage Board which dealt with this type of issue. Mrs Pettit offered to research this.

PLANNING

Planning Application 210763 had been withdrawn. (Land at Aston Ingham, Kilcot. Application to build four 4-bedroomed houses.)

Planning Application 212352. Proposed erection of single storey dwelling. Mrs Pettit felt that the Parish Council had not stressed the importance of the access road and any potential problems which might arise in their comments on the application. Additional comment to be forwarded.

NEIGHBOURHOOD DEVELOPMENT PLAN

Mrs Askew said that the main focus at present is the Settlement Boundary consultation event in the village hall on Saturday 11th September, where the recommendations of the Housing Assessment Report would be shared. Parishioners would be encouraged to give views and make comments at this 'drop-in' event.

Mr Whatley was also concerned about some fundamental issues regarding the working relationship between the NDP Working Group and the Parish Council, but felt that the NDP group were well motivated and was pleased that the group leader enjoyed confidence of group members.

DATES OF NEXT MEETING - Monday 4th October

The above notes are an abbreviation of the unconfirmed minutes. For a more detailed account and complete minutes when approved, please visit www.astoninghampc.org

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