

**ASHENDON PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES GENERAL MEETING  
HELD ON MONDAY 5<sup>th</sup> January 2015  
IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 8 PM**

<b>Present:</b>	Councillors	Kevin Nash (Chairman) John Bonson Les Curtis Sian Miller
	County Councillor	Paul Irwin
	Clerk	Michael Rand
<b>Apologies:</b>	Councillor	Geoff Pimm

Five members of the public present.

An open forum took place when members of the Public discussed the provision of a Village Defibrillator and the improvement of Broadband.

1931. **Minutes.**

**Resolved.** The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 21<sup>st</sup> October 2014 be signed as a correct record.

**ACTION**

1932. **Declarations of Interest**

There were none.

1933. **Community First Responders**

Resolved.

Details of The Bernwode News be passed to South Central Ambulance Service

Clerk

1934. **Rural Affordable Housing Survey.**

**Resolved:**

Councillors who will be delivering the Survey Forms should be fully briefed beforehand.

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1935. **Consideration of the provision of a Defibrillator.**  
**Resolved.**  
To purchase a defibrillator to be fitted on the outside of the Village Hall or telephone box.  
Proposed by Cllr. Nash Seconded by Cllr. Bonson KN
1936. **Reports by Members of the Council on Outside Organisations.**  
**LAF:** The next meeting is at Westcott and to be attended by Cllr. Bonson. JB  
**CLP:** No Meeting.
1937. **Offer to Devolve Services to Town and Parish Councils.**  
Resolved  
A letter of intent to use AVDC's services for grass verge maintenance For mowing season of 2016 be sent.  
Proposed; Cllr Curtis. Seconded Cllr. Bonson Clerk
1938. **Village Notice Board.**  
**Resolved.**  
Following agreement with Mr. Jonathan Rabone, Mr. Richard Bates to be asked to refurbish the Notice Board.  
Materials to be purchased by the Parish Council.  
Proposed by: Cllr. Miller. Seconded Cllr. Curtis. KN
1939. **Community Speed Watch Training.**  
**Resolved.**  
Contact be made with the local police constable to arrange further training. Clerk
1940. **Broadband – The way forward.**  
**Resolved.**  
Contact be made with Bucks Business First and AVDC to agree a positive way forward to obtain availability of superfast broadband. Clerk

1941. **Collective Switching.**

**Resolved.**

Councillors did not feel that they were fully briefed;  
it was therefore decided that this item should be deferred until  
the next meeting.

1942. **Cutting back hedge, Lower End.**

A quotation had been received for £275 to remove the  
Laurel hedge on the boundary of Gatehangers Barn.

**Resolved.**

Wait for the outcome of Bucks County Council's Correspondence with  
the resident of Gatehangers Barn.

1943. **Raising of War Memorial.**

A quotation had been received of between £1500 and £2000.  
to raise the war memorial by 300 mm.

**Resolved.**

Not to pursue this matter due to the cost and the risk of  
damage to the existing stone work.

Cllr. Bonson was thanked for cleaning the memorial.

1944. **Contract mowing and strimming for the 2015 season.**

**Resolved.**

To place orders for the following:

Playing Field and Car Park Maintenance. Reg Porter. £885 + VAT.

Boughton's Peace. Len Holder. £265.00.

Proposed by: Cllr Curtis. Seconded Cllr. Bonson.

1945. **Approval of Budget and Precept Application for 2015/16.  
Resolved.**

Budget 2014/15

	2014/15	Actual	2015/16
	£	£	£
Playing Field Grass Cutting	790	942	1062
Car Park Maintenance (Grass Strimming)	265		
Boughton's Peace	250	240	265
Administration	500	452	500
Insurance	325	244	280
Street Lighting	300	130	300
Village Hall/Pavilion	250	160	195
Accumulation Funds for Project Work			
Election expenses	150	150	150
Accumulation for contingences and Reserve Fund	Nil	-	-
Car Park resurfacing accrual	250	250	250
Playing Field Assc. Contribution	825	746	850
Defibrillator	-	-	1400
Community Led Plan	600	-	
Affordable Housing Survey	-	-	500
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£4505</b>	<b>3314</b>	<b>5752</b>

**Proposed Precept the same as last year £4525  
and use reserves to cover short fall**

**Balance of Current Account £13025.42**

- **Already agreed** use of £5000.00 from Reserves for pump-priming for MUGA Project on the Playing Field.
- **Accruals.**

Car Park Resurfacing	£750.00
Election expenses	£450.00
CLP	£768.00

Proposed by: Cllr Bonson. Seconded Cllr Nash.

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1946. **Outstanding Accounts.**

**Resolved:** To pay

Reg Porter. Playing Field and Car Park Maintenance. £942.

Len Holder. Boughton's Peace, grass mowing. £240.

Proposed by Cllr. Curtis. Seconded Cllr. Nash.

1947. **Planning:**

Corindi, Lower End: Rear extension.

**Resolved.**

No objection.

**Date of next Meeting:** 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2015.