

ASHENDON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 25th June 2012
IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 8 PM

Present: Councillors David Rand (Chairman)
John Bonson
Sian Miller
Kevin Nash
Geoff Pimm

Clerk Michael Rand

Apologies: County Councillor Michael Edmonds
District Councillor David Vick

Four members of the public present.

The Chairman invited members of the public to address the Council in an Open Forum.

The Meeting opened at 8.05 pm

1742. **Minutes.**

Resolved. The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 23rd April 2012 be signed as a correct record.

ACTION

1743. **Declarations of Interest**

There were none.

1744. **Conservation Plan Consultation.**

Emillia Hands, AVDC Conservation Area Officer, handed out the draft revised Conservation Plan for Ashendon. It is anticipated that the consultation will start on the 31st July and continue through to the beginning of September. Normally, only houses affected by the Conservation Plan are leaflet dropped but as Ashendon is a relatively small community, each household will be advised of the consultation. Following the consultation Emillia would like to attend the Parish Council Meeting to advise of the results.

1745. **Community Contingency Plan.**

Cllr. Pimm handed out the Emergency Check List referred to as the 'Grab Sheet'. It was proposed that Cllrs consider its content to be agreed at the next meeting.

The Chairman thanked Cllr Pimm.

Cllr. Nash concurred with the Chairman's thanks.

All

1746. **Parish Council Communication with the Parish.**
Resolved: An order be placed with Jonathan Rabone for the manufacture and fix of one bespoke Notice Board to be positioned adjacent to the existing by the Bus Shelter as detailed in his quotation of the 24th June 2012 for the sum of £1050 + VAT. Delivery by Autumn 2012.
Proposed by Councillor Miller
Seconded by Councillor Nash. Clerk
1747. **Village Walkabout.**
Resolved: To meet at 8 am outside the Gatehangers' Inn on Wednesday 11th July. All
1748. **Delegated Budget 2011/12 – Update**
The Clerk reported the new luminaires were now in stock and would be fitted within the next four weeks.
1749. **Delegated Budget 2012/13 – Update**
Proposals of work to the Causeway had been approved at the last LAF Meeting. The Clerk had been unable to obtain details.
Resolved: The Clerk to attempt to obtain the details in time for the Village Walkabout. Clerk
1750. **Community Speed Watch**
Cllr. Pimm informed the meeting that four people has now received instruction and are qualified to use the equipment which had now been delivered and is in the safe-keeping in the Village. It was expected that the equipment would be used by neighbouring Councils within the Waddesdon LAF.
1751. **Planning Application.**
Application No. 12/00912/APP Ashendon.
Manor Farm Lower Pollicott, Conversion of Barns and construction of garages to form four dwellings.
Retrospective: No Objections.
It was noted that, although no objections were made to the repositioning of the drive entrance on to the C66, the public footpath should remain in its present position.
Application No. 12/00804/ALB Ashendon.
The Bakehouse, new staircase.
Retrospective: No objections.

1752. **Reports by Councillors on outside bodies**

Community Led Plan. Cllr. Miller reported on the meeting held last week and said feedback would be forwarded to the Council.

Neighbourhood Action Group. No meeting had been held.

Local Area Forum. Cllr. Bonson had attended as a substitute for Cllr Nash. He reported that £4700 had been approved under the Delegated Budget Scheme for work to the Causeway. He was not given the proposed details.

1753. **Diamond Jubilee Celebrations.**

The Chairman thanked Cllr. Nash for his input into the sale and presentation of the Commemorative Mugs.

Cllr. Nash handed over £68 cash; £40 had already been received in cheques for mug sales.

Resolved:

A letter of thanks to be sent to Len Holder for the building, supervision and clearing up of the Beacon.

Clerk

1754. **Adoption of the New Code of Conduct.**

Resolved: The new Code of Conduct was adopted.

1755. **HGV and Pedestrian Signage.**

The Clerk reported that the HGV signage to be positioned at the new entrance of Westcott Venture Park had now been received by Bucks County Council and arrangements were being made for its installation.

The Pedestrian Warning signs to be positioned at Upper Pollicott were on order and would be installed in the near future.

1756. **Grass Verge Damage.**

The Clerk reported he had not received a reply to the Council's letter to Hunter Plastics. It was recorded that John Curtis had repaired the damage caused by their lorry at the top end of Lower End.

Resolved: Cllr. Pimm to monitor the numbers and owners of HGV's travelling through the village and any regular users thought to be using village roads as a 'rat-run' in order that a letter from the Council could be sent requesting them not to do so.

GP/Clerk

1757. **Outstanding Accounts.**

Resolved to pay:

Zurich	Annual Insurance	£225
Ashendon Playing Field Assc.	Reimbursement of Annual Insurance.	£733.58

Proposed by Councillor Miller
Seconded by Councillor Pimm

1758. **Road Closure, Wotton Road.**

Resolved: A letter of complaint to be sent to Bucks County Council objecting to the closure of the road since the 18th June and no major repair work being started. This closure is causing inconvenience and a loss of income to the village.

1759. **Date of Next Meeting.**

Monday 3rd September.