

ASHENDON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 18th JULY 2011
IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 8 PM

Present:	Councillors	David Rand (Chairman)
		John Bonson
		Sian Miller
		Kevin Nash
		Geoff Pimm
	Clerk	Michael Rand
	County Councillor	Michael Edmonds
	District Councillor	David Vick
	Thames Valley Police	PC Matthew Spenceley
	AVDC Planning	Emilia Hands

Three members of the public present.

The Chairman invited members of the public and County Councillor, Michael Edmonds, to address the Council in an Open Forum.

PC Matthew Spenceley and Emilia Hands, then addressed the meeting ;

PC Matt Spenceley reported that there has only been one incident reported to the Police in the last twelve months and he confirmed that he was fully aware of the new speed limit through the village but the Police were waiting for Bucks County Council to confirm that all the signage is in the correct position. He also answered questions which centred on traffic and theft prevention.

Emelia Hands outlined the forthcoming process for the consultation of the updating for the Ashendon Conservation Area and her thoughts on the alterations and additions to the existing plan, which was adopted in 1991. Consultation will probably start in September or October of this year when the Parish Council will be asked to host a public consultation, possibly at the same time as a General Meeting, when members of the public would be invited to make their observations.

The Meeting opened at 8.45 pm

1643. **Minutes.**

Resolved. The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 27th June 2011 be signed as a correct record after amendments had been made to Item 1637 LAF to read "priced at £31,500 which had two years before been priced at £20,000".

ACTION

1644. **Declarations of Interest.** There were none.

1645. **Matters Arising.**

i. The Clerk confirmed that Ashendon Parish Council's comments on the HS2 Consultation has been forwarded to the relevant body.
Councillor Pimm was thanked for his input.

ii. The Clerk confirmed that the Public Footpath Survey had been completed and sent to Bucks County Council.

The Chairman thanked Councillor Nash for his co-ordination of the project and other Councillors who had assisted in the survey.

The Clerk to enquire what action could be expected to be taken by B.C.C. after receiving the survey.

Clerk

1646. **Community Contingency Plan.**

Councillors Pimm and Nash updated members;
There are five impact areas that need to be addressed;
People's wellbeing,
Services and utilities,
Village access,
Communication,
Accommodation.

The target date for completion of the plan is the end of November.

GP/KN

Councillor Pimm proposed that David Cryws-Williams be invited to join the 'Crisis Management Team' which presently consists of Parish Council Members and Councillor Sian Miller become the Media Liaison Officer.

Resolved.

Both David Cryws-Williams and Cllr. Sian Miller be appointed.

1647. **Parish Council Communication with the Parish.**

Councillor Miller is still waiting for the outcome of the Community Led Plan.

SM

1648. **Village Tidy Up.**

Resolved.

The list compiled by Councillor Pimm to be divided into areas of responsibility in preparation for a walk-about by Council members on Saturday 6th August at 8 am to enable the Council to detail the necessary work.

Clerk

All

1649. **Update on Highways.**

- The Clerk informed the Council that due to financial restraints kerbing will not now be completed to Lower End adjacent to the Church entrance.
- B.C.C. are in the process of reviewing the signs and position of 'Unsuitable for HGVs' at the entrance of the Venture Park, Westcott.
- B.C.C. are currently pricing costings for the 30mph road painted roundels before deciding whether they will be installed.
- The Pollicott pedestrian signs and finger posts are still under consideration.
- The hedge trimming and kerb cleaning to Lower End, opposite the old Shop and Short Lane, has been completed.
- Due to financial restraints, the temporary Mobile Vehicle Speed Indicator (VSI) is no longer in use therefore it will not be coming to Ashendon.

Resolved.

The programmed completion and opening of new Venture Park Entrance to be established as it was thought a possible waste of time for processing the 'Unsuitable for HGVs' signage at the current entrance.

Clerk

1650. **Delegated Budget.**

There was some confusion as to whether funding for the street light replacements was available.

A request had been made for the type of luminere required so that B.C.C. can complete the survey and finalise a budget to enable them to consider the possible funding of the scheme.

Resolved.

A design of a replacement luminere, similar to the recently replaced lamp adjacent to the telephone box, be selected and advise B.C.C. If funding was agreed, the Parish Council to approach B.C.C. to possibly upgrade the lumineres, with additional funding by the Parish Council.

Clerk

1651. **No. 3 Lower End.**

The Clerk reported that the refurbishment and repair was being processed and a possible start date for the work was imminent. Landscape work has been carried out to tidy the garden, although the lower end of the front garden adjacent to the road has not been done. The omission had been drawn to VAHT's attention.

1652. **Community Speed Watch.**

Councillor Pimm informed members of the process of the Community Speed Detector which necessitates training of members of the community for its use. Volunteers are needed. Councillor Pimm to make further enquires. GP

1653. **Reports from representatives on outside organisations.**

NAG, Councillor Bonson updated members on his last meeting which centred around community speed watch and parking in Waddesdon.

1654. **Outstanding Payment.**

Bucks Association of Local Councils, Councillor training £41.40

Resolved. To pay.

Proposed by Councillor D. Rand

Seconded by Councillor J. Bonson.

1655. **Date of Next Meeting.**

Monday 5th September 2011.