

Minutes from Alveston Parish Council Meeting

Monday 15 January 2018 7.30pm in the Jubilee Hall

Present: Marcus Fry (Chair)
James Sumner
David Morgan
Anne Curtis
Shirley Holloway
Chris Casey
Wendy Sydenham (minutes/clerking) (in the absence of G Smith (Annual Leave)).

(Steve Blick - absent)

1. Apologies

Steve McMillan
Paul Caddick
Maggie Tyrrell

2. Evacuation Procedures

3. Declaration of interests

None.

4. Public Participation

Aaron Sims was present from the Gazette but did not participate in the meeting.

5. Minutes and matters arising from previous meetings

Talked through minutes. JS asked for “no change to precept” to be added to F&G report – item 6.4 of minutes. Minutes were signed as true record.

Talked through outstanding actions.

PF170508-06 - asked for Graham to send copy of report on shrinkage of soft surfacing to the PF & OS Committee.

PF170904-04 – asked for Graham to chase response from SGC

6. Planning - MF presented both reports and they were discussed. SH updated on the Alveston House Hotel application - site inspection on 9 February 2018. SH had objected to the application on grounds of inappropriate use of the building and traffic/congestion.

PF & OS and F & A - no reports - but MF reported that there were further healthy walks being organised in the area, starting at The Ship - details on the website.

Finance & General Purposes - MF presented both reports and they were discussed. Computer support has been purchased.

7. 7.1 Police - no report or representative, agreed it would be a shame for their input to be diminished. Graham to chase this up, at least to have a report.

7.2 South Gloucestershire Council - SH provided verbal report. Busy with JSP response, there had been a large number of responses to JSP, TRAPP'D had encouraged a large number of responses. Black bins would begin to be delivered, starting this week, notices had gone out to residents. The Chair thanked SH.

7.3 St Helen's School - CC provided report - Wendy has a copy/CC will also email copy to Graham. MF thanked CC for attending. CC left the meeting.

7.4 Alveston Community Forum - nothing to report.

7.5 Jubilee Hall - MF reported that progress continues with a new sign.

7.6 Youth Centre - no report in SB's absence.

7.7 Other Representatives - none.

8. CIL Payments

JS - concerned that suggesting uses for CIL payments regarding Alveston House application would imply the Council's endorsement of it. SH clarified the process and that it did not mean this, but JS still concerned that this would be inferred by residents. The options for use of CIL payments for both Alveston House and Gables developments were discussed in detail. There was some uncertainty about whether the different amounts of money for different purposes were ALL available or whether just ONE had to be chosen. Councillors asked Graham to clarify the situation. In the meantime the following suggestions were agreed.

Alveston House - proposed by MF, seconded by JS and all agreed - improvements to open spaces and recreational areas to benefit all ages - including play equipment and playground furniture.

Gables - proposed by MF, seconded by DM and all agreed - improve play areas, and look into developing/improving footpaths in local area, including possibly creating cycle lane from Alveston to Thornbury (agreed that the road from Thornbury to Alveston was difficult to cycle - steep and dangerous).

9. Buckingham Palace Garden Party Nomination - JS nominated MF, seconded by AC and agreed by all.

10. Correspondence

Council talked through the correspondence list.

NALC password - Graham to circulate.

Ecotricity tours - Graham to arrange for the following to attend the 3.00pm session - SH, DM + wife, JS

MF also reported a letter received from pre-school.

11. Authorisation of Payments

Payments discussed - payments to be authorised proposed by MF, seconded by JS and all agreed. Cheques signed.

Details	Chq. no	£
Salary – Inspection / Clean	2884	200.80
Clerk – Salary & Expenses	2885	1254.14
Salary – Cemetery Caretaker	2886	106.95
Qtrly Tax & NI Payments	2887	683.68
Total Payments		£2245.57

12. Website/Helmet

Graham to put details of windfarm tours on the website.

SM to put something on the role of the Parish Council in the planning process on the website.

Graham to put something on the CIL process in Helmet.

MF to write something for Helmet on the Good Councillor course that Councillors are attending.

13. Any Other Business

MF reminded Councillors about the Good Councillor course that was taking place next Monday at 7.30pm to which all were invited.

DM commented that the planning brainstorming sessions should be resurrected. MF commented that these should be resurrected in light of what is learned at the Good Councillor course.

Meeting closed at 8.25pm.