

## Aynho Parish Council

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Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of Aynho Parish Council held on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> November 2019** at 7:30pm.

Present: Chair: Leighton  
 Cllrs: Anderson, Burge, Clinch, Dean, Moroney, Reynolds.

In attendance: Chris Wilson (Clerk), Roger Wertheimer (RFO) and 3 members of the public.

2019/

256. To receive and approve apologies for absence.

Cllr. Brook and James submitted apologies. The apologies were proposed by Cllr. Moroney and seconded by Cllr. Reynolds.

**Resolved:** That Cllr. Brook and James absence be approved.

257. To receive declarations of interest under the Council's Code of Conduct related to business on the agenda.

Cllr. Burge declared a disclosable interest in the planning application under agenda item 2019/264 as a consultant.

258. To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meetings held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019.

The minutes of the meetings held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019 were proposed by Cllr. Dean and seconded by Cllr. Reynolds.

**Resolved:** That the minutes be signed by the Chair as a correct record of the meetings.

259. Public participation session.

- a. There was one member of the public who lives in the Almshouses acknowledged that the Clerk had researched and reported the Council's involvement as a trustee of the John Baker Charity (2019/198). They provided details of the charity and suggested the inclusion of a report in the Annual Village Report. The Clerk reported they had already had a request from Chairman to the charity to have this published in 2020.
- b. Ability Northants CIC had previously supplied the Clerk who had circulated the proposed Monday afternoon and Thursday morning bus service. Ability Northants CIC proposed a £500 Council donation (which a grant could be applied for) to set the scheme up. The

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Council discussed the proposal, however the Council was wholly dependent on Kings Sutton for the current service and therefore required consultation with them.

**Action: Chair to contact Kings Sutton.**

#### **Finance:**

260. To receive the financial statement and consider invoices to be paid.

The RFO circulated the financial statement RW/11/19. The Clerk queried VAT reclamation on their expenses. The RFO revised the financial statement RW/11/19 and they were proposed by Cllr. Reynolds and seconded by Cllr. Dean. Cllr. Anderson queried the Harvest Festival flowers payment and the Council discussed providing a decoration.

**Resolved:** That the Council should provide a Harvest decoration annually.

261. To receive an update on current grant applications.

The Chair reported the Community Grant application at SNC had been declined for the proposed streetlighting project as it didn't match the funding criteria. Cllr. Moroney reported the outdoor equipment grant application had not yet been responded too.

**Action: Chair to follow up.**

262. To discuss projects and initiatives suitable for grants and fundraising.

Cllr. Clinch reported they had investigated other councils and supplied a list of projects for future consideration.

**Action: Chair and Cllrs. Burge, Clinch and Moroney to follow up.**

263. To consider the 2020-21 budget areas.

The Council discussed the draft budget.

**Action: Clerk to circulate the budget and follow up in December.**

#### **Planning**

264. To review and respond to the planning application:

S/2019/1905/FUL: 7 Portway, Aynho OX17 3AP: Infill single storey extension, to link the house and converted garage.

Cllr. Reynolds reported on the application and the Council agreed the following response:

*"No objection: The Council discussed the application. Supported."*

#### **Risk and Risk Assessment:**

265. To approve 5 bag dispensers for dogs at ~£100 per unit.

The Council discussed the proposal.

**Resolved:** That the Council not approve.

266. To consider the need to promote candidacy at the May 2020 elections.

The Council discussed the elections in 2020.

**Action: Council to promote in Jan/Feb.**

267. The Chair and RFO to report on review of the asset register.

The Chair circulated an amended asset register. The list was discussed and further review required.

**Action: RFO to circulate on email and Councillors to review by Dec.**

268. To receive an update on Aynho Watch cold calling stickers.

Cllr. Moroney confirmed they had now arrived and would be circulated with the Newsletter.

269. Clerk to confirm receipt of Contract of Employment.

The Clerk confirmed receipt of the Contract of Employment.

#### **Parking, Highways and Transport:**

270. To receive an update on traffic issues and survey.

The Chair reported NCC had monitored the 4 entrances to the village and temporary signs had been positioned.

271. To discuss and agree a policy on village 'Street Signs' with major events such as; fete, car boot etc.

To be updated at December meeting.

272. To discuss Bus Service options for 2020 and onwards.

The Council discussed at item 2019/259b.

#### **Maintenance:**

273. To review Continental Landscapes 2019 and plan for 2020.

The Council discussed the final cut had been done and a new schedule for 2020.

274. Clerk to report on Autumn 'Keep Aynho Beautiful'.

The Clerk reported a low turnout, mainly the usual volunteers. The Clerk reported a low level of rubbish was collected.

275. To review the temporary litter signs on 2<sup>nd</sup> Crossing and consider permanent.

The Council discussed the effectiveness of the temporary signs and need for more permanent signs.

**Action: Cllr. Burge to draw up sign with others for square.**

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276. To receive a report and recommendations on tree works.

Cllr. Reynolds reported several trees had been identified for raising canopies to make grass cutting easier, it was agreed to get quotes for work.

**Action: Chair/Cllr. Reynolds to contact Acreman and similar.**

277. To discuss maintenance of benches on sportsfield and collect other areas of maintenance issues.

The Council discussed and thought it could be incorporated with 'Keep Aynho Beautiful' in spring 2020.

### **Streetlighting:**

278. To receive an update on Streetlighting.

The Council discussed that the light replacement had now started and some comments had been raised.

**Action: Clerk to collect residents' concerns to be addressed after completion.**

### **Health, Wellbeing and Community Matters**

279. To discuss the 'Movie Night' and Village Hall facility updates.

Cllr. Clinch confirmed that the Village Hall Committee had discussed at their last meeting.

280. To receive an update on the defibrillator.

Cllr. Anderson confirmed the defibrillator was registered on East Midlands and South Central databases, some new training in the pipeline.

281. To discuss a Village Survey 2020 – first timings and working group.

The Council discussed the survey 2020.

**Action: Chair to add old survey to 'APC dropbox'.**

### **Recreational Matters – sportsfield, playground and Aynho Active:**

282. To receive an update on the latest developments.

There were no developments to discuss.

283. To receive a report on the RoSPA report and actions required.

Cllr. Burge circulated a list of works required.

**Action: Ask P Tustain to look at list.**

284. To discuss the non-playing areas of sportsfield and maintenance.

As discussed 2019/277.

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285. To note the number for the Park Club Draw.

It was noted that #56 was drawn for October.

286. **Farming and footpaths**

Cllr. Anderson reported the path to Souldern had a tree blocking, which had been reported on Street Doctor and had now been cleared.

**Communications**

287. To decide on Newsletter/website content.

The following items were discussed to be inserted in the Newsletter.

- |                            | <i><b>Action</b></i>        |
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| - Street Lighting          | <i><b>Cllr. Brook</b></i>   |
| - Lyme Disease             | <i><b>Clerk</b></i>         |
| - Ambulance response times | <i><b>Clerk</b></i>         |
| - Aynho Watch Stickers     | <i><b>Cllr. Moroney</b></i> |
| - Buses                    | <i><b>Clerk</b></i>         |

288. **Meeting and conferences**

The Clerk reported they would attend Village Hall Committee in November.

289. **Any other business:** Items agreed by Chairman can be discussed but decision deferred to next meeting.

a. Hedge Cutting on Portway: The Clerk confirmed this had now been organised.

290. To confirm date of next meeting on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2019, 7:30pm at the Village Hall Committee room and close.

**Resolved:** The Council confirmed the next meeting on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> December 2019, 7:30pm at the Village Hall Committee room and closed at 9:33pm.