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Minutes of the Ordinary meeting of Aynho Parish Council held on **Monday 7th September 2020** at 7:30pm held at Aynho Village Hall and on a 'virtual' platform.

Present: Chair: Leighton
 Cllrs: Burge, Clinch, Dean, Hadley, Horley, James and Moroney.

In attendance: Chris Wilson (Clerk), Roger Wertheimer (RFO) and 2 members of the public.

2020/

149. To receive and approve apologies for absence.

There were no apologies.

150. To discuss and Co-Opt a new Councillor/s.

Three candidates expressed an interest and the Chair reported having conversations with them. The Chair reported that David Icke was unavailable to attend due to a residential course. Each candidate was given time to introduce themselves. Standing orders were suspended and Councillors recessed to discuss the candidates in private. Standing orders were resumed and the following candidates were proposed and voted as follows:

Candidate	Proposed	Seconded	Votes
David Icke	Cllr. Clinch	Cllr. Dean	3
Ita Caufield	no proposer	-	-
Liz Hadley	Cllr. Moroney	Cllr. Horley	4

Resolved: That David Icke and Liz Hadley be co-opted as a new Councillors.

151. To approve a delayed receipt of the new Councillors' Declaration of Acceptance of Office (if necessary).

Cllr. Hadley signed the 'Declaration of Acceptance of Office' (DoAoO) and the council approved a delayed receipt for Cllr. Icke.

Resolved: That Cllr. Hadley signs the DoAoO approves delayed receipt for Cllr. Icke.

Action: Clerk to circulated DoAoO, 'Register of Members' Interests' (RoMI) and Code of Conduct.

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

There were no declarations of interest.

153. To receive and approve for signature the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 6th July 2020.

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 6th July 2020 were proposed by Cllr. Dean and seconded by Cllr. Burge.

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

154. To receive an update report from the Chairman of the Village Hall Committee.

The Chair reported that Andy Anderson (Village Hall Chair) had resigned today and therefore the Council agreed to revisit at a later date.

155. Public participation session.

At the time there was one member of the public present – no comments made.

Finance:

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

The RFO had previously circulated the financial statement RW/08/20 and RW/09/20 and invoices. The RW/08/20 and RW/09/20 payments were proposed by Cllr. James and seconded by Cllr. Moroney.

Resolved: That the cheques listed should be formally approved.

The Council discussed the cost to supply electric to the new sign which the Christmas tree is lit from. The Council agreed to a budget of £100. Cllr. James reported the bus invoice discrepancy with Kings Sutton amounted to £26. The Council agreed to cancel the previous cheque held and issue a new cheque for £26. The Council agreed to renew the SWARCO guarantee agreement at £264.

Grants and Fundraising

157. a. To receive an update on grant applications made.

No current applications in process.

- b. To receive an update on future grant applications.

Cllr. Clinch reported some grant had specific requirements that Aynho did not fit e.g. deprived area, adverse crime figures. The Police, Fire and Crime Commissioner grants could be suitable for an additional SWARCO sign.

158. Planning

The Council discussed the following:

- Aynhoe Park; construction of deer viewing platform, Cllr. Burge reported this was part of a previous approved application.
Action: Cllr. Burge to contact planning.
- 1 Butts Close; Cllr. Burge reported the changes were minor and the SNC planning department would monitor.
- Charlton Road; It was noted a pile of hardcore has been delivered to the field adjacent to 1 Charlton Road.
- Coffee Stall in the Aynho Layby; the Clerk reported they had submitted the response to the consultation.
- College Farm paddock; it was noted the entrance had been grassed over.

Risk and Risk Assessment:

159. To discuss the adoption of a designated mission statement.

The Clerk had previously circulated copies of statements other councils had made for reference. The Council discussed an 'Ethos' statement and when possible a 'meet the Councillors' event where the 'Roles and responsibilities' of the PC could be outlined.

Action: Cllrs. Horley and Hadley to arrange.

Parking, Highways and Transport:

160. To review the location/s and approve a response to the consultation for the proposed Automatic Number Plate Recognition (ANPR) camera.

The Council discussed the location at the Wharf and agreed in principle. The Council also discussed:

- SWARCO sign; Chair to download data for October meeting.
- Wembley Corner; Chair to remind NCC re: grip test.
- Houses at Aynhoe Park Corner; route for construction traffic. Cllr. Burge to check.

Maintenance:

161. Biodiversity: To discuss how the Parish Council can run current operations and future initiatives to improve biodiversity.

Cllr. Horley has identified 5000sq.m of verge that could be turned to wild flower meadow, a consultant could be employed at £500 per day to advise on how to implement. The Council agreed a pilot area on the bank at junction of Butts Close/Charlton Road. The Council discussed increasing the size of the orchard, a third row of trees could be planned at ~£24 to £34 per tree (total £160 to £240). The Council agreed the project could be phased to maximise grant funding.

Action:Cllr. Horley to circulate report.

Cllr. Horley reported the hedge to the sportsfield would require a cut.

Action: Cllr. Moroney to contact D Fox.

162. **Streetlighting** – To discuss to remove from future agenda.

The Council agreed now the project had come to completion any further items could be reported under maintenance.

Health, Wellbeing and Community Matters:

163. To receive an update on the Village Survey 2020.

The Chair confirmed they would email an update. The Clerk reported the weekly SOFEA food boxes had come to an end in August.

Recreational Matters – sportsfield, playground and Aynho Active:

164. To review use and users of sportsfield/tennis court facilities.

Cllr. Moroney reported Brackley Town had resumed matches and a payment was due. The automatic lights outside the pavilion had been damaged and items from the sheds have been left in the car park.

Action: Cllr. Moroney to re-contact P. Wright. Look at new storage options at Oct meeting.

165. To discuss the RoSPA inspection of Playground and Recreation Ground.

The Clerk had previously circulated the report and Cllr. Burge noted some areas needed attention.

Action: Cllr. Burge to extract work required and circulate list.

166. To receive a report on the on the August Car Boot sale.

Cllr. Moroney reported a good attendance with 48 booters and raised £692.

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

The numbers were noted for July (#20) and August (#40).

Farming and footpaths

168. To discuss the reinstatement of the path to Aynho Wharf.

The Clerk reported they had reported the verge/hedge on street doctor with a suggestion to cut back 6 foot. The Council discussed looking at funding for creating a path. The Clerk had previously circulated a newspaper article from 1990 and had located letters from NCC where they stated that no official path existed between Aynho and the wharf prior to the construction of the M40.

Communications:

169. To review, discuss and approve village communication methods (including Clerks' mobile).

The Council discussed and decided to monitor issues raised online (facebook), Cllr. Clinch noted Cllr. Icke was a moderator.

Action: Cllr. Clinch to discuss with Cllr. Icke.

170. To discuss and approve actions necessary for compliance with Web Content Accessibility Guidelines (WCAG).

The Chair reported they had contacted NCALC to see if this was necessary or if it could be covered by 'disproportionate burden' due to the cost.

171. To decide on Newsletter/website content.

New Councillors

Clerk

Meetings and conferences:

172. To receive feedback from the Little Brook Ward Meeting held on Monday 27th July 2020.

The Chair noted the following areas of interest were discussed.

- Planning application imminent for new entrance to RAF Croughton.
- Colonel Jon T. Hannah is the new Commander at the base.
- Evenley reported projects funded by HS2, Cllr. Dean enquired whether Aynho could benefit from these.

173. To confirm date of next meeting on Monday 5th October 2020 at 7:30pm and close.

The Clerk noted in previous years the initial look at the budget 2021/22 was addressed at the October meeting. The Chair confirmed the RFO would be giving an update on the budget for 2020/21 in October.

Resolved: That next meeting of the Parish Council is on Monday 5th October 2020 at 7:30pm and closed at 9.50pm.