

ADSTOCK PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A GENERAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Tuesday 8th November 2016

At

Adstock Village Hall

8.00 pm

Open Forum (under adjournment);

100/16 Attendance & Apologies; To receive and accept any apologies.

Cllr Simon Walker (SW),
Cllr Chris Dawe (CD),
Cllr Sue Braithwaite (SB), **Apologies**
Cllr Neil Frasier-Smith (NF-S),
Cllr Doug Randall (DR),
Cllr Paul Salver (PS),
Cllr Marianne Murphy (MM),
District Cllr Sue Renshell - **Apologies**
District Cllr Llew Monger - **Apologies**
County Cllr John Chilvers -

Clerk - Ruth Millard

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101/16 Members Interests; Members are invited to declare disclosable pecuniary interests and other interests in items on the agenda as required by the Adstock Parish Council Code of Conduct for Members and by the Localism Act 2011.

102/16 Approval of Minutes; The Chairman proposed that the minutes from the General Parish Council Meeting held at The Village Hall, Adstock on 4th October 2016 were correct. **RESOLVED the Chairman signed the minutes.**

103/16 Finance & Accounts.

- To agree financial statements of accounts and bank reconciliations for the end September 2016. The Clerk had only received the deposit account bank statement. **RESOLVED**
- To draw cheques and ratify cheques drawn since the last meeting. **RESOLVED**
- To discuss the banking arrangements. The Chairman proposed that the money in the accounts are amalgamated into the cheque account and the money being raised towards the refurbishing of the playground is left in the savings account. **RESOLVED**

Account Balance – 31st October 2016

....0909	26th September 2016	11091.14
....0895	31st October 2016	2665.55

November 2016 Payments

Payee	POWER	Cheque Number	Amount
Finesse Environmental Ltd, S&D316	LG(misc. prov.)A 1976, s19	100743	254.00
E.on, Street Lighting	LGA 1972, s14 para 34	100744	107.30
Rotary Club of Winslow, crocus bulbs	Road Traffic Regulation Act 1984, s72	100745	25.00
Chris Dawe, cheese & wine PP meeting	LGA 1972, s137	100746	29.04
Direct Adhesives, parish questionnaire	LGA 1972, s137	100747	282.00
Neil Frasier-Smith, juice PP M & petrol	LGA 1972, s137 & LG(misc prov)A	100742	52.00
Public Works Loan Board	LGA 1972, sSCH. 13	DD	955.70

104/16 Environment

- Grass Cutting;** Cllr CD gave an up to date report that he was meeting with Lynch Garden Services on the 16th and with Garden-Master on the 18th November, he will meet with the contractors and walk the village with them to show them what needs doing. Finesse Environmental are going through restructuring at the moment, they will pass on his details and he will speak to the new team if they contact him.
- Highways and footpaths;** Cllr SW said that he had noticed a protruding drain that was damaged. He will send a photograph and the area where it is for the Clerk to report to Transport for Bucks. **Action;**

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RM

- c. **Cycleway**; all positive feedback regarding the cycleway. One of the residents had asked; if you are a young person living in Adstock how do you get to it? Discussion that they should be walking through the paddocks and it would be a good idea to mark a safe route with signs.
- d. **Play area**; Cllr N F-S reported that the rope at the bottom of the climbing frame has frayed and will need cutting off. **Action; Cllr DR**

105/16 Planning;

- i. **Village Plan Working Group**; Cllr CD reported that the response has been good, he thinks that they have received back about 70% of the questionnaires. The deadline has been extended slightly to allow the stragglers to get theirs in. Cllr SW suggested going around the village where they had delivered and asking residents if they have filled in their questionnaire, just as a reminder. Cllr CD was thanked for the work put in to produce the questionnaire.

106/16 Correspondence and communications including reports on Local Area Forum and training courses;

- a. Website: <http://www.adstockvillage.info> Cllr NF-S was thanked for the work he has done on the village website. He suggested that tradesmen in the village could advertise on a page on the website. He suggested doing competitions to gain interest. Cllr SW suggested getting pens with the website address printed on them and giving them out to the residents.
- b. Broadband; SW reported that he had been to a meeting that day to discuss this subject. There is another approach through Connected Counties, BT and Communities Broadband. If you go to these companies with a list of interested people they will give you a quote of the cost of installing broadband into the village. The government is running a voucher scheme whereby individuals can claim £350 voucher. As a village the vouchers can be collected, if a list has been collated, and set against the quote. About 50-70 people need to sign up.

05.09.2016 BMKALC unitary Meeting Report	03.10.2016 TfB Autumn/Winter Conference - 1 November 09:00 to 14:00
08.09.2016 Telephone Scam	03.10.2016 CIL & S106 Workshop Material + Local Priority Datasheets
20.09.2016 Buckingham LAF - next meeting date 18.10.2016	03.10.2016 Aylesbury Vale Association of Local Councils [AVALC]
20.09.2016 BCC News: Cabinet backs business case to save tax payers £18m a year	
30.09.2016 Modernising Local Government in Buckinghamshire Business Case	

107/16 Councillors Forum (under adjournment); for Councillors to bring any concerns to the table to be added to the next agenda for discussion.

- Cllr SW raised the fatal accident, which happened on Friday. A petition has been doing the rounds by email, to install a roundabout at the crossroads. Cllr SW had written a draft letter to go to John Bercow which he will forward to the Clerk.
- Cllr CD had the 500 crocus bulbs sitting in his shed waiting to be planted as soon as possible. He would send an email out for volunteers to be a working party.
- Cllr MM had suggested getting a list of the skills residents had to help with the Parish Plan.
- Cllr SW suggested seeing if it was possible to get electronic signs showing the bends and slow down.
- Cllr N F-S said the dog bin at the bottom of East Street was getting very full, very quickly. Also a vehicle had reversed into it and it was leaning at an angle. Cllr SW said he would ask someone to replant the dog bin and would the clerk find out how often the bins were being emptied. **Action; SW & RM**
- RM asked the councillors to think about what they would like to spend and budget for next year. Cllr SW said that he thought that the Council would have to raise the precept to pay for grass cutting, the Parish Plan and as they had purchased extra dog bins the collection would be costing more.

108/16 Date and time and venue of the next meeting; The next meeting will be held in the Village Hall, Adstock on 6th December 2016 at 8 pm. **TBC**

The Chairman closed the meeting at 9.00 pm.

Signed Chairman Date