
ASTON LE WALLS PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the **Monthly Meeting** of **ASTON LE WALLS PARISH COUNCIL** held on Thu 10th February 2022 at 7:30pm in the Village Hall.

Attendees: Charles Lees (CL) Chairperson, Tom Boston (TB) Vice Chairperson + Julie Challenor (JC)

1. Apologies – Dick Stephen (DS) poorly, Matt Hawkins (MH) work commitment, John Funnell (JF) poorly and Graham Barnes.

2. Declaration of Interests - None

3. Minutes 13th January 22 - Agreed and signed.

No 6. It is now confirmed for 17th Feb 22.

4. Correspondence to include Website & IT – DS reported via email to the Clerk that all up to date.

5. Financial Matters:

i) *Balances @ 10th February 22*

Business Instant Account	£7,900.00
Treasurers Account	£32.43
TOTAL	£7,932.43
War Memorial Account	£459.85


ii) *Receipts / Payments / Invoices Approved from 13th Jan 22 – 10th Feb 22*

Receipt/Payment	Details	Amount (inc VAT)	Date Paid
Pending Dispute	Priors Garden – Grass Cutting May 21	£165	Dispute
Pending Dispute	Priors Garden Ditto – Jun 21	£165	Dispute
26 th Jan 22	Village Hall – Hire of Hall in 2021	£120.00	Paid
26 th Jan 22	Npower Bus – Electricity Oct – Dec 21	£54.34	Paid
To be Approved	FNPile – Service Mower reimburse C Lees	£139.44	Pending

Pocket Park, CL reported that there is an area that is open and goes into the road. Concerns about child safety. CL has investigated about a wattle panel plus posts for pocket park, cost £68 including VAT. This price was approved by TB and seconded JC. CL to arrange to purchase and get if fitted.

6. Planning - Re Washbrook. ALWPC response to WB application was responded on 14th Jan 22.

a) HS2 – Village meeting – Thu 17th Feb – Flyers issued throughout the Parish. Also added to the website, Facebook and Newsletter plus six lampposts.


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7. Welsh Road – CL with DS met Matthew Barrett (MB) with DS to review works by contractor. Sign outside Timbercroft, post in incorrect position. Splay to Plowden Close has soil deposits causing raised ground level. Butler Close chicane kerbstones needed, might put markers in TB verge. Timeframe as long as budget there, hopefully Aug 22. VAS units waiting for columns plus lights.

Councillors agreed to see how traffic progresses over next month or so and possibly MB out to look at chicanes and ensure they are doing their job. CL going to put up our VAS unit and record.

8. Asset Mapping Project (AMP) – CL and DS have compiled a list and liaised with Danny Moody from Northants CALC. DS created spreadsheet and Julie to complete. This is proving to be a very lengthy task with only a small remuneration for the hard work, sum £222,23, which ALWPC will apply for.

9. PFCC Budget Survey – Pending.

10. Queens Jubilee – The village will be celebrating this event and it was published in the latest newsletter asking for volunteers. Unfortunately to date, no response from anyone. Liz Barnes and Jo Wilson have offered and JC stated she would communicate with JW to offer support too. The bank holidays for the Jubilee are Thu 2nd and Fri 3rd Jun 22. A committee will need to be formed; however the lack of volunteers so far may make this impossible. Village Hall committee to hold a meeting Thu am to discuss.

11. Police Liaison Representative – This was advertised in the newsletter and no response received. Therefore, unfortunately we will need to respond to Mel Carter, our local police representative, that we have no one in the village willing to take on this role.

12. Village Grasscutting - Clerk updated documents and notice added to village notice board and parish council website inviting contractors to tender. To be discussed at March meeting after closing date 25th Feb 22.

13. Village Maintenance

- a) Pocket Park - Cutting back and pruning in January, there is clearly a leak in the pipe between pond and brook. CL will need to investigate the problem. TB has provided 30 hedging whips to be planted at next work party, the PPM has bought a Crab Apple tree to plant to celebrate the Queens Jubilee.

- b) Millennium Garden – TB will sort out root and holly shoots.

- c) Street Lighting – All working fine.

- d) Defibrillator – All good.

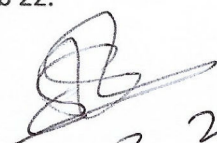
- e) Public Footpaths & Rights of Way – MH reported via email to the Clerk that all fine.

- f) Trees and general parish environment – Fine.

- g) Winter Maintenance – Nothing to report.

14. General Update

- a) HS2 Liaison – No meeting, as representatives are coming Thu 17th Feb 22.


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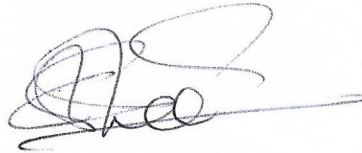
b) Neighbourhood Watch – All correspondence forwarded to councillors via email and nothing to report.

15. Any Other Business

a) Clerk received email asking do we want to invite Neighbouring Policing Team to attend our Annual Parish Meeting. It was agreed to invite Mel and her colleague to our April AGM Open Meeting.

16. Dates of Next Meetings to be held in the Village Hall – scheduled 10th Mar 22, 14th April 22, 12th May 22, 9th Jun 22 and 14th Jul 22.

The meeting closed at approximately 8:30 pm.

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