

## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ASHCHURCH RURAL PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 22<sup>nd</sup> JULY 2019**

Present: Cllrs T Davies TD; B Cooke BC; A Brown AB, D Garnett DG

Pauline Clarke - Parish Clerk

Borough Cllr M Gore MG:

Public 2

Webmaster

Ian White IW

Volunteer Assistant to the Council

Jo McCauley JM

### **PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

A member of the public raised concern that there have been several accidents over the previous 5 years on B4079. He added the situation is worse in bad weather. County Councillor Vernon Smith has been informed and is investigating. Clerk to email County Councillor in support.

01.07.19	<b>WELCOME</b> The Chairman had tendered his apologies so the Vice Chair TD took the Meeting	
02.07.19	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b> Cllrs J Hargreaves, D Street and G Shurmer County Cllr Smith	
03.07.19	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b> None	
04.07.19	<b>TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 24<sup>th</sup> JUNE 2019</b> Minutes were agreed and signed	
05.07.19	<b>TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 4<sup>th</sup> JULY 2019</b> Minutes were agreed and signed with amendment: "EX.08.06.19 line 7 should read 'Highways England'.	
06.07.19	<b>TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR</b> Not in attendance, report circulated to members, there were no comments (Last in attendance APM 14 <sup>th</sup> May 2019)	
07.07.19	<b>TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM BOROUGH COUNCILLOR</b> MG verbally reported:	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• The Borough Plan will come to Council at end of July, and various sites are currently being identified. Plan will then go out to consultation again</li> <li>• JCS - Review and responses on JCS website, this includes Masterplan responses</li> <li>• Can't comment on the planning issues at Claydon, but there is likely to be a site visit</li> <li>• There are 28 days period that Councillors can call in applications, so she asked to be made aware of any applications that need to be called in</li> <li>• The application at Fitzhamon Park had been to committee and been passed, TD had represented the parish council. TBC lost the case, mainly due to lack of housing supply, which currently stands at 4.35 years, however if Highnam appeal is lost this could be reduced to 2.7 years, but TBC is working to get back to 5 years, and this should happen by next March</li> </ul> <p>TD added that Rhino developments had offered a community hall, but this was now withdrawn, they will however allocate a patch of grass. Parish Council must use this or lose the use of it, and suggested it could be used for allotments. Members noted this patch of land could have a lot of debris underneath it from previous use by the MOD. DG asked MG for the actual housing numbers and was informed the JCS requirement is 495, this will be reviewed March/April. She added this can't include outline applications but a minimum of three years to begin development can be set, as it is possible for landowners to get several plots of land with outline permissions</p>	
08.07.19	<p><b>TO NOTE ANY MATTERS ARISING NOT OTHERWISE ON THIS AGENDA</b></p> <p>Pamington Junction Alignment – update To be discussed at agenda item 14</p> <p><b>REPORTS</b></p> <p><b>NDP</b></p> <p>Some members have met with ITP and it was agreed that the money for work done would be returned</p> <p>The Clerk confirmed the cheque had now been received</p> <p>TD added ITP sister company had agreed the NDP was not currently fit for purpose. Annette Roberts has looked at what we are now doing and is happy so far. The NDP will be finalised in about a year, after the Hitchins appeal has gone through, he noted we will then get more money through Cil once the NDP is in place</p> <p><b>Defibrillator</b></p> <p>No report, JH not in attendance</p>	

	<p><b>Website</b></p> <p>IW confirmed website is being used regularly.</p> <p><b>Working Groups</b> - None</p>	
09.07.19	<p><b>TO CONSIDER LOOKING AT COMPANIES TO DISTRIBUTE QUESTIONNAIRES FOR NDP</b></p> <p>This will need to be considered later in the year when we go out for a Reg 14 consultation, there are 500 houses to be included in survey, Clerk to ask Post Office for a quote</p>	<b>A: Clerk</b>
10.07.19	<p><b>FINANCIAL REPORT – BALANCES AND RECONCILIATION</b></p> <p>Financial report and bank reconciliation were circulated and agreed</p>	
11.07.19	<p><b>ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT</b></p> <p>Cheques to the value of £4077.40 were agreed</p>	
12.07.19	<p><b>UPDATE ON INSTALLATION OF A DEFIBRILLATOR IN ASTON ON CARRANT, AND CPR FIRST AID TRAINING</b></p> <p>A resident from Aston on Carrant was in attendance and had sourced a unit for £1500 plus VAT, this is a top of the range model from South West Ambulance, including training on how to use it. Unit needs electricity but only uses approx. £12 per year. Information has been circulated to residents about First Aid courses in Aston on Carrant. Ideally all villages in parish need a unit, and there is no discount for bulk purchases. Will need to find suitable locations and someone who is prepared to check units are operational</p> <p>Members discussed various options and IW will investigate using Back in Action in Pamington</p> <p>Members were in support of residents having telephone numbers of neighbours, to keep by their phones in the case of an emergency</p>	
13.07.19	<p><b>PLANNING – NEW APPLICATIONS &amp; DECISIONS</b></p> <p><b>ASHCHURCH CONCEPT MASTERPLAN</b></p> <p>TD reported he and DG had held an informal catch up with Annette Roberts who is working on a more detailed plan, however details are still vague, and the A46 is a priority</p> <p>TBC are recruiting a Program Director to be in position by the end of the year. He added the NDP needs to be right and in place, and then we will only need to have a three-year housing plan</p>	

	<p>A site allocation will be incorporated into NDP which stops speculative planning</p> <p>Bridge over railway line has to be built by 2022, and TBC are working with GCC. There will not be a road as no money, but it will be part of Masterplan</p> <p><b>18/00043/OUT</b> - Outline planning application for the erection of up to 90 houses, a care home, community centre and associated works - Land At Fitzhamon Park Ashchurch Road</p> <p><b>Delegated permit was noted</b></p>	
14.07.19	<p><b>HIGHWAY ISSUES</b></p> <p><b>Temporary footpath closure - AAS/41 and AAS/43</b></p> <p>Email circulated by GS from PROW was considered. It was agreed that IW would upload PROW map onto website</p> <p><b>Pamington Junction Alignment</b> Members agreed traffic needs to slow down</p> <p><b>Grass Cutting</b> Waiting to hear from GCC with quote for comparison</p> <p>Not satisfied with recent grass cut</p> <p><b>Highway Issues</b></p> <p>DG will speak to people from stables about their usage of Natton lane and will draft response to Craig Freeman and copy in Clerk</p> <p>Highways advised not to purchase VAS, siting has to be agreed by them and they will erect it. Members will consider where it could go at next meeting</p> <p>Community Officer will match fund for village gates. BC to source quotes</p>	<p><b>A: DG</b></p> <p><b>A: BC</b></p>
15.07.19	<p><b>CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED</b></p> <p>Clerk had forwarded CIL policy to members. TD noted the amount we could claim through is increased considerably if there is an NDP in place</p> <p>DG noted now we have received a response from 'Communities' agreeing with TBC to not allow us access to our Freedom of Information request. We can now put in a complaint to ICO.</p> <p>Agreed to ask Barbara Pond to a meeting to discuss the NDP</p> <p>TD, DG and JH will attend Code of Conduct training on 11 September at 10 am</p>	<p><b>A: Clerk</b></p> <p><b>A: Clerk</b></p> <p><b>A: Clerk</b></p>

	Clerk has received response from Church. Capacity in church yard is 73 however as parish is expanding members expressed concerned. AB will discuss with Church warden and report back	<b>A: AB</b>
16.07.19	<p><b>TO NOTE ANY OTHER BUSINESS FOR INFORMATION ONLY OR FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION</b></p> <p>Clerk has received details of Local Council Quality award and has queried with GAPTC how to gain CPD points within a twelve-month period</p> <p>DG will attend Garden Town event and will report back to members</p> <p>Sherdons is no longer a suitable venue for meetings as room has been renovated and is now too small</p> <p>IW will find details about hiring the village Hall; however, meetings would have to be moved to a Wednesday</p> <p>AB will also source details of room hire at church hall from church warden, and will notify the Clerk.</p> <p>Sherdons will be cancelled for future meetings</p> <p>As population of parish is expanding, Clerk will ask Democratic Services on criteria for increasing Councillors</p>	<p><b>Future Agenda Item</b></p> <p><b>A: DG</b></p> <p><b>A: IW</b></p> <p><b>A: AB</b></p> <p><b>A: Clerk</b></p>
17.07.19	<p><b>TO NOTE FUTURE MEETINGS</b></p> <p><b>PARISH COUNCIL MEETING MONDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST at 6.30pm</b></p> <p>Venue to be confirmed</p>	
	No further business and the meeting ended at 8.35pm	