

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ASHCHURCH RURAL PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 28<sup>th</sup>  
October 2019**

Present: Cllrs J Hargreaves JH; T Davies TD; B Cooke BC; D Garnett DG

C. Cllr V Smith VS  
B. Cllr M Gore MG

Pauline Clarke - Parish Clerk

Public 2

Webmaster                      Ian White IW  
Volunteer Assistant to the Council – Jo Mc McAuley JM

**PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Letter circulated from resident in relation to flooding at Natton, members agreed the problem lay with a blocked culvert, this needs to be cleared every couple of years, but currently has 6.7-foot reeds, and not been cleared for 10-15 years. Agreed Clerk to write to Environment Agency EA, expressing concern, and to copy in VS and resident. VS stated it's the responsibility of EA, Highways would like to be able to take it on but not allowed, would like it to go onto de silting programme.

01.10.19	<b>WELCOME</b>  The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting	<b><u>ACTION</u></b>
02.10.19	<b>APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE</b>  B. Cllr J Evetts, Cllrs Street, Brown and Shurmer	
03.10.19	<b>DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST</b>  None	
04.10.19	<b>TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 23<sup>rd</sup> SEPTEMBER</b>  Minutes were agreed and signed	
05.10.19	<b>TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR</b> VS apologised he had not attended previous meeting and highlighted: <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• Travel by Cycle report on website and circulated hard copy, he added this is an excellent strategy and links Tewkesbury to Tetbury. He asked ARPC to agree on route of cycleway/bridleway. There are 3-4 options and funding is in place, ARPC would have a lot of influence. He added IW has suggested some good options, and it could be deliverable in less than 5 years. Crossing motorways and Railway line are main obstacles, plus flooding is an issue and route may need to be elevated. Highways planning officer would come to parish to assist in agreeing the route</li></ul>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>VS praised 'ebike', and considered this a thing of the future, he wants to develop cycle hubs, where you could pick up and drop off bikes, this could include bus stops with a picnic area</li> </ul> <p>JH: suggested a Working Group to discuss options and to invite the Highways Planning Officer</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>GCC is trialling an App that allow residents to report potholes, and then notifies you when it is repaired, repairs should be completed within 28 days.</li> </ul> <p>Members expressed concern that current criteria does not allow for more than the reported potholes to be filled. VS will look into this</p> <p>JH: asked who will deliver grit?</p> <p>VS: Craig Freeman will deliver and will need a map of bins, JH to complete map and send to Clerk</p>	JH
06.10.19	<p><b>TO RECEIVE REPORT FROM BOROUGH COUNCILLOR</b></p> <p>Apologies for absence at previous meeting</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Lots of work happening with bridge over to Northway, no set location as yet, planning application due Mar 2020, will be built by Mar 2022. This forms part of Phase 1 of Master plan. HIF funding has come in, MG, VS and Jon Everts are part of Working Group. MG added there will be workshops for parishes before Christmas</li> </ul> <p>TD: suggested that as we were promised a workshop especially for the parish by Annette Roberts, we should be represented on this Working Group</p> <p>MG: replied that plan is still being worked on, it's just ideas at the moment, confirmed it will not come back a 'fait accompli' still at governance stage. Engagement is very important to the plan</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Jonathan Dibble JD is the new project manager</li> </ul> <p>DG: suggested some decisions already made have impact, i.e. the bridge, and we as a council are concerned. Working Group must look at it from the point of view of this Council</p> <p>MG and VS agreed to raise with JD</p> <p>VS: added he does not know where bridge will go and he and MG are reiterated on our side</p> <p>TD: stated there are only a limited number of options</p> <p>JH: added we did have had faith previously but for 12 months we were told nothing!</p>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Various s106 funding is available and has to be claimed, we need to act quickly as soon as it comes in to ensure we get it.</li> </ul> <p>MG is setting up meeting with Officers to discuss sites including Queens Head, East of Newton Cottages and Barleyfields</p> <p>TD: asked what do we need to do to ensure we get this</p> <p>MG: we have to wait for money to come in</p> <p>TD: asked what happened to funding at Tewkesbury Meadow</p> <p>MG: went to Wheatpieces, she will look into it, and will send details of figures to Clerk</p> <p>TD: asked how we can spend all this money allocated to the Parish, MG: this is decided by Borough</p> <p>JH: we will have to ask groups, Save Our Lanes and Residents Association for input and also ask Lesa West TBC in for a chat</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>Land for possible allotment site has to be transferred into our name by developer, it could be used for community building including allotments. Developer has to accept allotments; they have to comply with this condition</li> </ul> <p>TD: added once it is allotments always an allotment, we could include a small community facility on the site, owed by ARPC but passed to community group to manage, we will have to keep a close eye on this</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>JCS review – get more info Spring 2020</li> </ul> <p>DG: suggested that the public should be made aware of the situation with the JCS and the relevance of the TBC lack of 5-year housing supply, it may give more understanding, and noted we are being manipulated by developers</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>The development of 100 houses on Glos road are near to the horses on the Roundabout and confirmed are part of Plan</li> </ul> <p>DG: asked if the name has changed to Tewkesbury Garden Town</p> <p>MG will confirm</p>	
07.10.19	<p><b>TO NOTE ANY MATTERS ARISING NOT OTHERWISE ON THIS AGENDA</b></p> <p>BC has contacted Bob Ristic TBC, who is looking to reduce the amount of vans on the traveller's site, BC expressed concerned that there are 30-40 scrap lorries in an overspill car park</p> <p>MG will keep a look out and ensure there is a site visit, she can also meet ARPC on site for a fact-finding meeting</p>	
08.10.19	<p><b>TO REVIEW GRANTS POLICY</b></p> <p>Clerk had circulated revised policy which was agreed</p> <p>Proposed TD: seconded BC</p>	



16.10.19	<b>DISTRIBUTION OF NDP QUESTIONNAIRES</b> Need a postcode map, JH and Clerk to source	Clerk/JH
17.10.19	<b>FINANCIAL REPORTS</b>  Balances and Reconciliation were circulated and agreed. Clerk circulated form for signature for AB to be removed from Unity Trust councillor signatory list  Clerk noted email from External Auditor regarding public access to accounts, Clerk will clarify point with auditor	Clerk
18.10.19	<b>ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT</b>  Cheques to the value of £1486.97 were agreed	
19.10.19	<b>UPDATE - DEFIBRILLATOR IN ASTON ON CARRANT, AND CPR FIRST AID TRAINING</b>	FUTURE AGENDA ITEM
20.10.19	<b>ASHCHURCH CONCEPT MASTERPLAN</b>  No update  <b>19/00874/FUL Erection of single storey extension to Ashchurch Village Hall and provision of extended vehicular parking area</b>  IW confirmed application is not making site any bigger, only refurbished. Objection from neighbour has resulted in less parking, currently waiting for report from flood alleviation which could be an issue. Members discussed s106 monies, it was noted we hadn't applied initially for the funding, and we have to claim on each development  <b>19/00963/FUL Variation of Condition 2 of planning permission 17/00347/FUL (erection of 261 dwellings) to vary the house types for plots 50 to 52. Part Parcel 3400 Columbine Road Walton Cardiff</b>  Noted  <b>19/00992/FUL Erection of a two-storey side extension and internal alterations 1 Thirlebrook Cottages Aston Cross Tewkesbury</b>  No comment  <b>19/00998/FUL Erection of an agricultural building to be used as cubicle housing for dairy herd Pamington Farm, Pamington Lane</b>  This will make it an up to date modern facility and members considered an excellent suggestion	

	<p><b>No Objection</b></p> <p><b>18/00043/OUT Outline planning application for the erection of up to 90 houses, a care home, community land and associated works Land At Fitzhamon Park</b></p> <p>Noted</p> <p><b>Decision - 18/00794/APP Application for the approval of reserved matters pursuant to outline planning permission 14/00343/OUT (appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) for 44 dwellings and open space (Access previously approved).   Land Behind Newton Cottages Ashchurch Road</b></p> <p>Noted</p>	
21.10.1919	<p><b>HIGHWAY ISSUES</b></p> <p><b>Pamington Junction Alignment – update</b></p> <p>No update</p> <p><b>Temporary footpath closure - AAS/41 and AAS/43</b></p> <p>No update</p> <p><b>Grass Cutting</b> TD has spoken to Craig Freeman, who will email quote, also need a quote from Ken Preece</p> <p><b>Gateways</b> BC circulated examples of speed signs</p>	
22.10.19	<p><b>PUBLIC USE OF RAILWAY CROSSING</b></p> <p>DG has spoken to fire brigade, who can get under bridge as are part time unit, but a fulltime unit wouldn't, needs to go back to CF with copy to VS and MG and let them sort it</p>	
23.10.19	<p><b>UPDATE - A46 PHONE BOX – CLEANING</b></p> <p>TBC have received BT consultation, Clerk to write to TBC stating we need a box, it's the only one that works in an emergency, so must be refurbished. Clerk to contact Annette Roberts</p>	<b>Clerk</b>
24.10.19	<p><b>MEMBERS ALLOWANCES – PARISH RENUMERATION PANEL</b></p> <p>Members have received some expenses, but only out of pocket, Clerk to clarify details of panel with TBC</p>	<b>Clerk</b>

25.10.19	<b>CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Service of remembrance was noted</li> <li>• Email from DS informed members we will need to change wreath in future years</li> <li>• Clerk is waiting to hear from HSE on asbestos at MOD, members considered issue brushed under the carpet, JM added Babcock have restricted access</li> <li>• Insurance as quoted by BHIB was agreed</li> </ul>	
26.10.19	<b>TO NOTE ANY OTHER BUSINESS FOR INFORMATION ONLY OR FOR FUTURE DISCUSSION</b> To arrange budget meeting	
27..10.19	<b>TO NOTE FUTURE MEETINGS</b> <b>PARISH COUNCIL MEETING      - MONDAY 10<sup>th</sup> December 2019</b>  27 <sup>th</sup> January 2020 24 <sup>th</sup> February 2020 23 <sup>rd</sup> March 2020 27 <sup>th</sup> April 2020  JM to cancel future Booked meeting at Sherdons	
	<b>Meeting ended at 8.40pm</b>  <b>Signature</b>  <b>Date....</b>	