

# Aylburton Parish Council

Minutes of meeting held on 28<sup>th</sup> May 2013 at 7:00 PM in the Memorial Hall.

## **Present**

Councillors: Simon Newman (S.N., Acting Chair), Colin Newman (C.N.), Andy Jones (A.J.), Lorna Coates (L.C.), Frankie Evans (F.E.)  
Clerk: Karen Blackwell (K.B.)  
District: Marion Winship (M.W.), Terry Glastonbury (T.G.)

## **Apologies**

Maurice Bloomfield (M.B.) (Chair), Jane O'Donnell (J.O'D.)

## **Minutes of the meeting held on 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2013**

Agreed & signed by Simon. The minutes of the January meeting, with required amendment, were also agreed & signed.

## **District Council reports**

M.W. reported that the FoDDC is looking into the matter of Housing allocation once again, as apparently there is not currently enough land allocated to housing in this area & new sites must be found.

Lydney is devising a Neighbourhood Plan.

The train station is to undergo a series of improvements including the possibility of the underpass being renewed at some point & the increase in the number of trains stopping at Lydney.

5,000 new homes are to be built in the Chepstow area...

People living in England but registered with Welsh doctors will from now lose the option to attend English hospitals & will have to go to those in Wales instead. This will affect many people living on the England / Wales border.

The idea of the Millennium Wood being used as a "green" burial site is likely to meet with planning problems.

The FoDDC has received a £350,000 lottery grant for community transport schemes.

The contentious issue of the wind turbine planning application has not yet been decided upon. However, there is a very real danger that the application could go to an external Government Inspector after 8 weeks of "non-determination" & possibly get passed by this method.

## **Matters arising from the minutes:**

### **Millennium Wood**

It was decided to canvas opinion of those people who had bought trees in the wood as to how to proceed with the matter of the lease etc.

### **General roads / pavements issues**

K.B will approach local contractors for quotes to cut the verges at both sides of the village as this has not as yet been done. She will also speak to Brian Watkins with regard to all other outstanding Highways issues.

### **Parking issue, Millbrook Green**

The clerk will approach the Street wardens to ask for their help with this issue.

### **Dog waste bin, Milling Crescent**

It was agreed to issue a letter to the residents of Milling Crescent asking that they decide where best to place a dog waste bin. A.J. agreed to deliver.

### **Electric fences**

This matter has now been rectified thanks to Gavin Green at Lydney Park Estate.

### **Notice boards**

The clerk has spoken to Tudor Carpentry asking that they perform the necessary repairs etc to the badly weathered boards, & provide an invoice for the work.

### **Allotments**

Mrs M Lucas is to relinquish her Kear's Moor allotment effective immediately. It will be offered to the next person on the waiting list. If there are no interested parties from the village it can be offered to those on the list from outside the Parish (with the proviso that it must be given up in the event of a Parishioner wanting one in the future).

K.B. will speak to LPE re the culvert on the Kear's Moor site, as it requires some maintenance.

**New Business:****Portfolio reports;**

Roads: Please request to see the report by Maurice Bloomfield, following his attendance at the recent A48 committee meeting.

Environment: See allotments detail above.

Lydney Park Estate has paid the annual Shooting Rights invoice despite Lord Bledisloe discontinuing the activity. K.B. was asked by the office to search for any paperwork pertaining to the above rights & advised that obviously this will probably be the last year this payment is made to the P/C.

F.E. requested that the clerk make a copy of the received map showing local wildlife, as identified by the Wildlife Trust survey recently completed, to exhibit in the Memorial hall.

**Correspondence**

Items from #8674 to #8686 were reviewed & dealt with as appropriate.

**Planning.**

Aylburton Lodge, Porch & Orangery, amendment to materials.  
44 Sandford Road, 2 storey extension.

**Finances:** Current account **£7234.94**

Deposit account **£6485.10**

**Payments made:**

K. Blackwell	– Salary (Feb / Mar)	£200.00
A. Jones	– Litter collection (Feb / Mar)	£210.00
GAPTC	– Annual subs	£152.93
Lydney Park Estate	– Allotment land rent	£225.00
Charitable donations	– Various *	£480.00
AUCA	– Grant, 1st instalment	£375.00
A48 Meeting	– Annual subs	£8.00
R. Morgan	– Grass cutting, inv 034	£214.00

**Authorisations required:**

K. Blackwell	– Salary (Apr / May)	£200.00
K. Blackwell	– Expenses (Review, AGM ad)	£30.00
A. Jones	– Litter collection (Apr / May)	£210.00
Friends of Bathurst pool	– Donation (previous cheque destroyed in post!)	£200.00

**Payments Received**

Precept	£7500.00
Allotment rents	£241.00

The meeting closed at 7.50pm.

Date of next meeting: **Tuesday 30<sup>th</sup> July, 7pm.**