

Aylburton Parish Council

Minutes of meeting held on 26th May 2015 at 7:00 PM in the Memorial Hall.

Present

Councillors: Colin Newman (C.N.), (Chairman), Frankie Evans (F.E.), John Harrison (J.H.), Steph Lord (S.L.), Ray Woodward (R.W.). Karen Blackwell, (K.B.), Clerk

Apologies

None received

Previous Minutes

Agreed & signed as true & accurate.

District Council reports

None available at this meeting.

Matters arising from the minutes:

Maplefield / T.P.O

The request for a tree preservation order (TPO) to be placed on this tree had been refused by the FoDDC. However, in the meantime LPE had elected to perform some work on the tree in question.

Voluntary Maintenance group

No further interested parties had come forward to assist with this project. C.N. will start on the necessary weeding in the village & R.W. will work on the area surrounding the Cross. Thanks to both of them.

AGM date

It was agreed to hold the Annual Parish Meeting on Thursday 2nd July. K.B. to do all usual advance publicity including a piece in the Ducktown Echo. It is hoped that by giving Parishioners more notice of the event that they will be encouraged to attend.

Annual Audit

The Audit had been completed & Signed by the Chairman ready to be submitted to the external auditor for approval within the legal time frame.

Wild Boar problem

Still awaiting advice from the Forestry Commission.

Defibrillator

The clerk will research possible avenues of financial assistance with this issue, i.e. grants / lottery funding etc.

Adopt-A-Kiosk

F.E. asked the clerk to find out whether B.T. would supply the original paint colour in the event of the kiosk adoption, for use in the future.

School funding request

It was decided not to make a donation to the fund for a canopy for children to play under in wet weather. However, £30 will be donated in the form of book tokens as a raffle prize for the school fete.

New Business:

Flower tubs, High Street

The clerk had received a complaint regarding some planted window boxes outside a house on the High Street. C.N. had examined the position of the boxes & found them to be satisfactorily placed i.e. not causing any obstruction to the pavement, as well as looking attractive. K.B. will write to the householder & inform them of the complaint, & advise the complainant of the outcome.

Tree planting, Flower & Veg committee

This matter is still pending & R.W. has offered to take on some of the work involved in contacting the relevant agencies to move things forward. K.B. is very grateful for his help!

Chapel Hill

F.E. had complained (as a resident rather than a Councillor), to Highways about the condition of the road near Shepherd's Corner on Chapel Hill. This had elicited a fairly quick response & the work has at long last been carried out. Well done Frankie!

Declaration forms

The clerk had brought the necessary forms for Declaration of acceptance of office & Register of Members' Interest. These were duly completed & will be returned to FoDDC.

Correspondence:

#8829 – 8835 & e-mail items, dealt with as appropriate.

Finances: Current account £6462.98 Deposit Account £6491.08

Payments made:

K. Blackwell	– Salary (Feb / March)	£200.00
K. Blackwell	– Expenses,postage/phone	£40.00
A. Jones	– Litter collection (Feb/ Mar)	£210.00
Merlin Waste Management	– Feb / March	£27.12
GAPTC	– Annual subs	£150.00
LPE	– Allotment land rental	£265.00

Authorisations required:

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Payments Received:

FoDDC	Precept pt. 1	£5,750
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Next meeting: Tuesday 28th July

The meeting closed at 8.50pm