

Ashton under Hill Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 13 March 2012 at 7pm in the Green Room.

Present

Cllr G Barnett	Chairman	GB
Cllr R Satchell	Vice Chairman	RS
Cllr Mrs D Cope		DC
Cllr J Fletcher		JF
Cllr A Sanger-Davies		AS-D
Cllr F Moore		FM
Cllr D Rees		
In attendance D Cllr A Darby (for part of the meeting)		AD

Action

1.	Apologies. Apologies due to illness were received from the Clerk and the Chairman expressed the wish for a speedy recovery.	
2.	Declaration of interest. DC declared interest in 7.6.	
3.	Minutes. Minutes of the meeting held on 10 January 2012 were agreed and signed by the Chairman.	
	Public Question Time. There were no questions.	
4.	District Councillor's report. AD presented his written report (copy attached).	
5.	County Councillor's report. The County Cllr was not present.	
6.	<p>Planning</p> <p>6.1 Applications considered.</p> <p>W/12/00377/PP – Forge Cottage, Back Lane. Replacing existing timber windows to front of property. Resubmission of application W/11/01150/PP. No objection.</p> <p>W/12/00252/PN – Land adjacent, Bredon Holt, Elmley Road. Erect one dwelling house and garage. Adjourned for circulation to allow Cllrs extra time for consideration.</p> <p>6.2 Application received after publication of the agenda.</p> <p>W/12/00293/PN & W/12/00294/CA – Willow Cottage, Elmley Road. Proposed demolition of two bedroomed cottage and erection of replacement dwelling. Adjourned for circulation to allow Cllrs extra time for consideration.</p> <p>6.3 Applications considered out of meeting.</p> <p>W/12/00137/CU – Carrant Brook Farm, Cheltenham Road. Change of use (inc. building works) to create live/work development. No objection.</p> <p>W/11/02830/CU – Walnut Tree Barn, Elmley Road. Proposed stable building with ancillary storage including new track & hard standing. No</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">JH</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JH</p> <p style="text-align: center;">JH</p>

	<p>objection.</p> <p>AB/12/00175/AB – Old Manor Farm, Beckford Road. Steel framed barn for the storage machinery and fresh produce. No objection.</p> <p>W/12/00264/CU – Old Post Office, Elmley Road. Variation of condition No 3 of Planning Ref W/08/02834/CU to use ancillary accommodation as holiday let. No objection.</p> <p>6.4 Decisions.</p> <p>Approvals</p> <p>W/11/02830/CU – Walnut Tree Barn, Elmley Road. Proposed stable building with ancillary storage including new track & hard standing.</p> <p>6.5 Presentations. An informal presentation by John Darby on plans for a new dwelling at Rockland House was received and he answered various questions.</p> <p>A presentation by Richard Shaw regarding plans for Ashton Plant Centre was received and he also answered questions. Copies of both are on record.</p> <p>AB/12/00175/AB – Old Manor Farm, Beckford Road. Steel framed barn for storage machinery and fresh produce.</p>	
7.	<p>Progress reports</p> <p>7.1 Social Centre. DC reported that:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The hall floor had been completed. • Kitchen to be refurbished during the Easter Holidays. • Tennis court to be cleaned professionally ready for use. • The Social Centre and Open Gardens planned to acquire new tables and asked if it could be done through the PC for VAT purposes <p>JF asked if planting could be done by the tennis courts as he thought it to be rather stark. DC to ask.</p> <p>7.2 Bredon Hill Conservation Group. Meeting scheduled for end of April but GB said there had been a lot of activity regarding Strategic Planning.</p> <p>7.3 Policing matters. PCSO Simon Williams reported that between March 2011 and March 2012 there had been one burglary dwelling, two sheds or outbuildings, six thefts, one criminal damage and two others, an increase of one overall on the previous year. There were problems of doo-to-door sellers operating without licences which were being dealt with.</p> <p>7.5 Lengthsman. Lengthsman to be asked to side out the footway from The Star to the Church.</p> <p>7.6 Repairs to wall outside Rockland Cottage. This had been completed and members agreed a very good job had been done.</p> <p>7.7 Erosion of verge outside Rookery Nook. Councillors said they preferred kerbs to posts.</p> <p>7.8 Grasscrete in Elmley Road to provide off road parking. No report available.</p> <p>7.9 Alleviation of flooding outside Honeysuckle Cottage. No report available.</p> <p>7.10 Surface of footway in Gorse Hill. No report available.</p> <p>7.11 Extra grit bin in Cornfield Way. No report available.</p>	<p>JH</p> <p>DC</p> <p>JH</p> <p>JH</p> <p>JH</p> <p>JH</p> <p>JH</p> <p>JH</p>
	<p>At this stage the meeting was adjourned for the Annual Parish</p>	

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8.	Finance 8.1 Payments Payments totalling £454.36 were agreed and cheques were signed. 8.2 Bank balances. Accepted. 8.3 Internal Auditor. It was agreed to appoint Mr Iain Selkirk.	JH
9.	Vehicle Speed Activated signs. Cllrs confirmed the decision to go ahead. Clerk to liaise with County Councillor.	JH
10.	Dog fouling. Clerk to see advice from CALC on the way forward and to find prices for signs. JF appointed dog warden if go-ahead is given.	JH
11.	Eco survey. FM gave an update and asked for £50 to print and distribute leaflets on availability of allotments which was agreed. The fuel question to be progressed at the fete in September.	JH
12.	Community defibrillators. Adjourned to next meeting and organiser to be invited to attend.	JH
13.	Worcestershire Agreement. Agreed to sign.	JH
14.	Youth Bus. Adjourned until next meeting.	JH
15.	Correspondence. All previously circulated.	
16.	Councillors' reports and items for future agenda. JF asked of the water leak at the playing field had been dealt with. DC to speak with the Chairman of the Social Centre.	DC
17.	Date of next meeting. 8 May 2012 to include the Annual Parish Council Meeting.	

The meeting ended at 8.40pm