

ASHTON UNDER HILL PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on

Tuesday 16th July 2013 @ 7pm

in the Green Room, Ashton under Hill

Members and Officers present: Cllrs Barnett (chair), Cllr Fletcher, Cllr Sanger-Davies, Cllr Moor, Cllr Cope, Cllr Rees & Cllr Hague

In attendance: Clerk & 3 members of the public

1. **Apologies:** To receive apologies and to approve reasons for absence. None

2. **Declarations of Interest:**

a) Register of Interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests.

b) To declare any Disclosable Pecuniary Interests in items on the agenda and their nature.

c) To declare any Other Disclosable Interests in items on the agenda and their nature.

d) Written requests for the council to grant a dispensation (S33 of the Localism Act 2011) are to be with the clerk at least four clear days prior to a meeting.

Councillors who have declared a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest, or an Other Disclosable Interest which falls within the terms of paragraph 12(4) (b) of the code of conduct, must leave the room for the relevant items.

Failure to register or declare a Disclosable Pecuniary Interest may result in the commission of a criminal offence.

3. The minutes of the meeting held on 14th May 2013 were approved and signed as a true record.

The meeting opened @ 7 pm and adjourned to listen to concerns about parking on the playing field.

The Chair convened the meeting at 7.10pm

3. Evesham Town Plan – Ms Vicky Lawson attended the meeting to discuss the work the Evesham Town Group are working on and asked the Parish Councils support. It was agreed that a note would be put in the Ashton News so that residents could reply individually to the survey.

4. **Progress reports:** for information / discussion and comments if necessary

a. Social Centre. There has not been a definite decision made yet with regards to funds raised however there is talk of installing Hearing facilities. Parking on the playing field was discussed, the chair advised this was a matter for the SC.

b. Bredon Hill Conservation Group, nothing to report as they are between meetings.

c. PACT

d. Lengthsman

e. Footway to Willow Close

Clerk to H Baldwin for assistance on this matter.

Work to commence on the reconstruction of the length of footway from Honeysuckle Cottage to Old Manor Farm. This will consist of a new footway and kerb line. It would seem the long standing drainage issue adjacent to the proposed works, will hopefully be alleviated during this work.

- f. Vehicle Activated Sign – Approved by the Localism Panel, Clerk to check on delivery
- g. CFR – Grant has been applied for and WMAS will attend the September meeting to discuss locations etc ACTION ME
- h. Flooding – the kerb has still not been raised. Clerk to follow up ACTION ME
- i. Dog Signs – to be erected ACTION SH

- 5. **To discuss the possibility of Road markings by the cross, Clerk to follow up**
- 6. **To discuss stickers for Wheelie Bins, it was agreed to go ahead with this and deliver stickers to residents.**
- 7. **District and County Councillors’ reports:** for information. (Items raised for decision will appear on the agenda for the next meeting.)

Report by District Councillor Adrian Darby

I am not sure that I will be able to reach your meeting in time for this item, since there is a Wychavon Council Meeting on the same evening.

Once again, therefore, I am submitting my report in writing.

Since my return from France I have been mostly concerned with planning matters.

South Worcestershire Development Plan (SWDP).

On 28th May this was submitted to the Secretary of State for independent examination. We are still awaiting a timetable for the inquiry. Now that the plan is under examination it should carry some weight in planning decisions, but so long as Wychavon cannot show that it has a five year housing land supply it will be obliged to grant any applications on the edge of Ashton which are judged to be sustainable development under the NPPF.

Five year housing land supply.

There are number of different ways in which this can be assessed and under most of them Wychavon now has the required supply. However if we take the most pessimistic interpretation (using the old West Midlands Regional Spatial Strategy targets) there is still a shortfall although this has been very much reduced in recent months. This means that any application just outside the development boundary in a Category 2 village like Ashton-under-Hill will be judged under the NPPF as above and may be permitted.

8. Planning:

None

9. Finance:

An internal audit took place on the 4th June, all has been approved. The Chair to approve the final annual return, copy attached to these minutes.

The current account closed with a balance on 15th April of £10716.66

The savings account received .92p interested giving a closing balance of £5,306.34

As at 30th April 2013 the cash assets for the PC stand at £16,023

To approve Cheques for payment

CH 715	-	L Oliver	-	£120.00
CH 716	-	CALC	-	£10.00
CH 717	-	Simon Hague	-	£30.00
CH 718	-	M English	-	£519.84

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To approve the clerks wages for April & May	£356.40
Computer allowance	£ 25.00(12.50pm)
Phone allowance	£ 10.00(£ 5.00pm)
Expenses	£ 39.34
Mileage	£ 30.94
Overtime due to Defib & VAS	£ 89.10
Total	<u>£519.84</u>

10. **Correspondence for Information:** To note the attached appendix of items which have been circulated or will be available for inspection at the meeting. (OR a list of items will be available at the meeting.)

11. Clerk's report

Social Centre request to use the PC notice board, Clerk to provide them with keys

12. **Councillors' reports and items for future agenda:** Councillors may use this opportunity to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas.

Footways at the Groaten

Cottons Lane Parking

13. Date of next meeting was confirmed for 10th September @ 7pm. The meeting closed at 7.55 pm

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