

# ASHTON UNDER HILL PARISH COUNCIL

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## Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Tuesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2019 @ 7pm in the Green Room, Ashton under Hill

Members and Officers present: Cllr Hewitt (Chair), Barker, Hague, Wood, Rowley, McIntyre & Cope. In attendance: Clerk

Apologies: Cllr Hardman & Darby

### 1. Declarations of Interest:

- a) Register of Interests: Councillors are reminded of the need to update their register of interests. None
- 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.

2. **Minutes** of the November Parish Council Meeting were approved as true and accurate, proposed Cllr Hague, Seconded Cllr Cope, all voted in favour.

3. **District and County Councillors' reports:** for information. (Items raised for decision will appear on the agenda for the next meeting.) attached

### 4. Progress Reports

- a. Social Centre – Soapbox race was a success. Hoping to have enough money to start the playground in the next few months.
- b. Bredon Hill Conservation Group - no further report
- c. PACT – West Midland Police do not operate and are not willing to start a WhatsApp group
- d. Lengthsman – all up to date
- e. Flooding – no issues
- f. Highways –
  - Request made by Parish Council for path repair from Wood lane to the end of the village, Willow End. Highways have limited budget so years away from this happening. Chair put proposal to County for the Parish Council to make a contribution
  - Informal requests for hedges to be cut back have been sent to two residents. Clerk to send another letter. Chair to draft. The regulations state there should be no overhang at all from the property boundary onto the path)
  - Drain on Wood Lane is finally clear
- g. Trees in the Parish - no report
- h. Communication & Website proposal
  - Link from Facebook

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- Agreed to go ahead with proposal for new host and advertising to cover revenue. Proposed by SH, seconded by JB (ME to look at KR proposal).
- Website has been launched but there were serious issues with speed when using original free server. Proposal to change to a paid server to be discussed at meeting (separate document available). Group email members continue to increase. Facebook- discuss changing to village account with separate PC page to speed up posting process- to be discussed at meeting. Continuing to chase BB Radio H&W DJ, who initiated contact months ago with an interest in running an article on the village. Have had no success so far despite numerous emails; tried to get her to attend the Soapbox Races to no avail! Will try again.
- i. SmartWater , 100 packs still available. NM volunteered to do a door knock in the summer. Hold onto 25 for new houses

### 5. a Planning application & notifications

<u>18/02378/FUL</u>	Chandlers Chandlers End Ashton Under Hill Evesham WR11 7UT	Residential development consisting of 1no. self-build infill dwelling and detached garage with associated landscaping and access - as approved under planning permission ref. no. 18/00632/FUL but without compliance with condition no. 2 (to amend list of approved plans)	Pending decision
<u>18/02322/CAN</u>	Orchard House Cottons Lane Ashton Under Hill Evesham WR11 7SS	Fell pear tree. Reason - roots lifting and too close to garage	Pending decision
<u>18/02247/HP</u>	17 Gorse Hill Ashton Under Hill WR11 7SP	Replacement single storey rear extension	Approved
<u>18/02215/CAN</u>	Old Well House Cottons Lane Ashton Under Hill Evesham WR11 7SS	Felling of Ash tree	No objection
<u>W/17/00602</u>	Long Carrant	Extension to Long Carrant to allow for the relocation of 7 mobile park homes	Approved on Appeal

### 5.b Willow Cottage update

Chair written to Wychavon Enforcement re demolition. Parish Council have asked Cllr Darby to follow up

### 5.c Enforcement

Static Caravans at Countrywide – Clerk to report to Enforcement, Cllr Wood to send a photo. It was reported that it looks like Ashtons are storing the Static Caravans from Countrywide site. ME to confirm with planning if permission is needed.

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Obstruction signage - as you come out of the garage and turn right towards Evesham by the Shell Garage, Chair to report to highways

Pig barn – It is noted that people are still living there despite the Planning Application being rejected – Chair has reported to Enforcement

### 6. Finance

#### 6.a Bank balances as at December 2018

Current Account	-	£18,179.88
Savings Account	-	£ 3,322.61

#### 6.b Cheques approved by Chair, seconded by Cllr Hague

Ref	Payee	Description	Net	VAT	Total	Cheque no
1	S Hewitt	Break Glass Key	£ 6.87	£ 1.38	£ 8.25	1043
2	S Harte	Bredon Con Group	£ 30.00	£ -	£ 30.00	1044
3	CALC	Training	£ 20.00	£ -	£ 20.00	1045
4	M English	Wages & Expenses	£ 585.09		£ 585.09	1046
5	Wychavon	Dog Bin Maintenance	£ 74.25	£ 14.85	£ 89.10	1047
6	B Arrowsmith	Lengthsman			£ -	
	TOTALS		£ 716.21	£ 16.23	£ 732.44	

6.c Financial regulations updated and approved

6.d Asset register updated. Clerk to complete and reissue - approval at next meeting

6.e Risk Assessment updated and approved

7. 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.)

8. Clerk's report on Urgent Decisions since the last meeting.

9. Parish Council Elections – advertised in the Parish Newsletter, Facebook, Noticeboards

10. Neighbourhood Development Plan, defer to March meeting

11. 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.

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With no further business to discuss the meeting closed at 8.30pm Date of next meeting: 12<sup>th</sup> March 2019

.....(chair)

.....(date)

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