

ASHTON UNDER HILL PARISH COUNCIL

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MINUTES

From the Extra Ordinary Parish Council meeting held at 9am on **Friday 23rd September 2022** at AUH Chapel Hall.

It was fully accessible to the public and press.

Present – Cllr Rowley (Chair), Cllr Cope, Cllr Rose, Andy Robinson (Clerk). No members of the public.

1. WELCOME AND APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE – The Chair welcomed all present. Apologies from Cllr McIntyre, Cllr Barker.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST REMINDERS.

3. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME – No members of the public present.

4. SPORTS HUB COURTS/ COMMUNITY LEGACY GREANT:

Cllr Rowley reported that the Grant application to Wychavon District Council for a Community Legacy Grant had been successful and they have agreed to award the Parish Council £44,510 for the completion of the proposed upgrades to the existing Tennis Courts and create a new Sports Hub facilitating Up to date Tennis Courts and Netball facilities.

It was also reported that AUHSC has very kindly agreed to fund £7,000 towards the project.

- I. 3 quotes have been obtained as per the Parish Council Financial Regulations and Cllr Rowley proposed that Council formally accept the quote from Grimshaw Group to complete the works at the quoted price of £51,510.00 (+VAT). It was noted that the Storage Vault provided by Grimshaws would be a reconditioned Vault and not a brand new one as listed in the original quote. This is due to the inflation costs of materials used and a method to remain within budget. Cllr Cope seconded the motion and all voted in favour.
- II. Cllr Rowley proposed to authorize the release of Parish Council Reserves to pay for the VAT on the works – this will be claimed back from HMRC as soon as practicable on completion of the project. Cllr Cope seconded the motion and all voted in favour.
- III. Cllr Rowley proposed to (in principle) authorise the release of Parish Council Reserves to pay the initial £18,028.50 + VAT to the contractor on the day after work on site commences, which is anticipated to be very early October 2022. This will only be necessary in the unlikely event the initial payment of £24,510.00 from WDC has not been received in time, otherwise the Grant funds will be used to pay the initial payment to the contractor. Cllr Cope seconded the motion and all voted in favour.

All quotes have been circulated to all members prior to the meeting and they are available to anyone on request via the Clerk. Formal Grant application and offer from WDC are also available on request via the Clerk.

0910 hours Meeting concluded.