



ASTON CLINTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Council Meeting

held at 6.30pm on 17th November 2021 at the
Parish Council Office, Aston Clinton Park, HP22 5HL

PRESENT: Cllr C Read (Chair), Cllr P Birchley, Cllr M Collins, Cllr A Goode, Cllr A Judge, Cllr C Judge, Cllr M Mason, Cllr D McCall, Cllr L Ronson & Cllr P Wyatt.

IN ATTENDANCE: Mrs S Payne (Clerk/RFO), Bucks Cllr B Chapple OBE and 2 members of the public.

21.148 To Receive Apologies for Non-Attendance. Received and noted from Cllr J Hughes.

21.149 To Receive Declaration of Interests or Request for Dispensations. None declared.

21.150 To Approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on 20th October 2021.

The minutes of the meeting held on 20th October 2021 were approved as a true and accurate record and were signed by the Chair.

21.151 Questions and Comments from the Public.

- i. A member of the Horticultural Society reported that the society would like to plant two oak saplings in the park to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee. It was noted that this request was on the agenda for next week's Facilities Committee meeting and would be considered then.
- ii. A resident reported that the Shanly developers were parking along Aylesbury Road. Cllr Wyatt would contact the site manager regarding this issue. **ACTION: Cllr Wyatt**
- iii. A resident reported that there had been a major car crash on Tring Hill and speeding along this stretch of road was a cause for concern. Cllr Read reported that this area was covered by the Zone 5 of the traffic mitigation proposals.

21.152 Council – Reports from External Bodies.

- i. *Community Board:* Cllr Wyatt reported that work on the Stablebridge Road speed reduction proposal is likely to take place during 2023/2024.

21.153 Finance & Staff Committee

- i. The draft minutes of the 11th October 2021 Finance & Staff Committee meeting were noted.
- ii. The month-end income and expenditure accounts at 31st October 2021 were noted. Income was £279,469 and expenditure £141,432.
- iii. The November 2021 payments were approved. **It was resolved that a payment of £20 to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal for the Remembrance wreath be made in accordance with Council's powers under Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972.**

Payments over £500

Company	For	Amount £	Vat £	Total £
Acoustic Advice Ltd	RKP Acoustic Panels	£ 6,300.00	£ 1,260.00	£ 7,560.00
Came & Company	Local Council Scheme Insurance	£ 4,636.52	£ -	£ 4,636.52
Castle Water	Water/Waste Sept 21 - Feb 22	£ 786.83	£ 93.49	£ 880.32
Frank Cooper and Son Limited	Grounds maintenance - 7th of 12	£ 1,442.92	£ 288.58	£ 1,731.50
Npower Business Solutions	Streetlight Elec Sept 21	£ 582.92	£ 116.58	£ 699.50
E.Sharp (Electrical) Ltd	Replace 4 Streetlights with LED	£ 900.00	£ 180.00	£ 1,080.00
UK Debt Management Office	Public Works Loan repayment	£ 7,908.09	£ -	£ 7,908.09

21.154 Facilities Committee

- i. The draft minutes of the 21st September 2021 Facilities Committee meeting were noted.

21.155 Red Kite Pavilion

- i. *Snags*: A number of snags needed to be dealt with including the leaking roof and monodraught vents, the shower drains, the relaying of the grass as the back of the building and the re-securing of the external lights.

The balustrade manufacturers had confirmed that the current movement was within the region of safety. It was noted that the movement resulted in the perception that it was unsafe. Quotes would still be sought for a central collar to reduce movement.

ACTION: Cllr Hughes

- ii. It was agreed to defer the appointment of a contractor to switch the way in which the western end door swings until all quotes had been received.

ACTION: Community Centre Committee/Clerk

21.156 Events

- i. *Santa’s Float [19 Dec 21]*: The route will be advertised on the Council’s website and social media platforms as well as in Village Life and an Instagram page will be created. The float will start from Wentwell Close and finish at The Oak. A meeting was held with representatives of the uniformed group who have indicated that they would like to walk the entire route. There will be a stop at the RKP at approx. 5pm when the café will be offering mulled wine and mince pies. Refreshments will be available for the uniformed groups at the Parish Office.

There will be house to house collections, covid restrictions allowing, in addition to a just giving page. All funds received are to be split equally between the uniformed groups taking part and the Rennie Grove Hospice

ACTION: Clerk

Councillors are asked to provide two wrapped empty boxes to be used on the sleigh.

ACTION: All Councillors

21.157 To Consider a Resident’s Proposal that Council take on the Maintenance of Benches on London Road which the Resident will Supply and have Installed

Cllr A Judge had circulated a report to Council outlining the proposal for three benches which was noted. The benches would be decorative and made of steel. Potential sites were discussed and included the fountain, near the Council’s London Road noticeboard where there was already some hard standing and the corner of London Road and Stablebridge Road. It was noted that other than the fountain the other areas were not owned by the parish council and the permission of the owners, most likely Bucks Council, would need to be sought by the resident. Council agreed in principle to the proposals but would need to approve bench design and location. Cllr Judge would inform the resident

ACTION: Cllr A Judge

21.158 Planning Committee

- i. The draft minutes of the 25th October 2021 Planning Committee meeting were noted.

The meeting closed at 7.30pm

Signed.....Date