

ASHENDON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 17th OCTOBER 2011
IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 8 PM

Present:	Councillors	David Rand (Chairman) John Bonson Sian Miller Kevin Nash Geoff Pimm
	Clerk	Michael Rand
Apologies:	County Councillor	Michael Edmonds
	District Councillor	David Vick

Eight members of the public present.

The Chairman invited members of the public to address the Council in an Open Forum. Raymond Lloyd (Chairman, Ashendon Playing Field Association) addressed the meeting requesting financial support for APFA.

The Meeting opened at 8.20 pm

1670. **Minutes.** **ACTION**
Resolved. The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 5th September 2011 be signed as a correct record.
1671. **Declarations of Interest**
There were none.
1672. **Community Contingency Plan.**
Councillor Pimm updated the Meeting stating that he was now on Version 04 which he had circulated to all Councillors and Mr. David Crwys-Williams. He is now waiting feed-back from all Councillors to enable him to draft the final version 1.0. The Chairman's assistance was requested to identify all access points in each field in the Parish for emergency use. **GP/DR**
1673. **Parish Council Communication with the Parish.**
Councillor Miller reported that the Community Led Plan Steering Group was waiting for the questionnaire replies before the preferred form of Communication could be established. **SM**

1674. **Village Tidy Up**

An update was completed of all outstanding items not the responsibility of Bucks County Council .

1. Sweep out bus shelter – completed but requires to be done again.
2. Weeds around bus shelter – completed.
3. Replacement of ‘Public Footpath’ sign adjacent to Long Cottage – reported to BCC.
4. BT Box; no swipe card reader, consider removal of telephone box – still waiting reply from British Telecom.
5. Salt bins – five to be ordered for delivery to Hill Farm.

Councillor D. Rand to install.

The salt bins to be sited:

1. The Close,
- 2 The Causeway,
- 3 Upper Pollicott,
- 4 Wotton Road (adjacent to the Reservoir)
- 5 Opposite Hill Cottages.

Clerk/DR

6. Repair of road access to Ashendon Farm House – not in ownership of BCC.

7. Boughton’s Peace – trim back footpath
– trim around trees and crown lift

Working Party of Councillors arranged for Tuesday 8th November at 9.30 am

DR/KN/GP/SM

8. Overhanging vegetation to Westcott footpath - reported to BCC Rights of Way Department.
9. Car Park; tidy up of electrical meter box support and surround and removal of 40 gallon drum – Cllr Nash reported due to shortage of funds APFA would not be taking any action.

10. Replacement seat at the Blacksmiths, Wotton Road

- **Resolved.** Rather than replace, a repair be made.

Clerk

11. Removal or reinstatement of the chain-link fencing to the open space in front of Stone Pits Cottages – Clerk waiting response from Vale of Aylesbury Housing Trust.

Clerk

1675. **Delegated Budget**

The Clerk is to meet with the BCC Engineer , Street Lighting Department to discuss the various luminere selections and budget.

Clerk

1676. **Community Speed Watch**

Councillor Pimm informed the meeting that two Parish Councillors and two members of the public had received training from PC Matt Spencerley on the use of the Speed Gun. It has now been confirmed that the Parish Council's insurance covers them for public liability when using the apparatus, a further training session of six hours at Waddesdon Police Station is now required to enable the trainees to officially operate it.

1677. **Reports from representatives on outside organisations.**

CLP. Cllr Miller reported that a further questionnaire would be circulated to every household and it hoped everybody over the age of 5 would complete one. As we are a small village a large response is needed. Villages will be encouraged to complete the form electronically which will simplify compilation of the data although hard copies will still be accepted. Distribution will be made with the November issue of the Bernwode News.

LAF. Councillor Pimm attended the last meeting as a substitute for Cllr. Nash. The meeting centred on the BCC Consultation on it's latest waste plan and quarterly meetings now being rescheduled to three a year. Only four parishes had been represented out of a possible fourteen.

NAG. No report.

1678. **Ashendon Playing Field Association request for financial support.**

Resolved. It was hoped that the Council would be able to contribute to APFA's funding but further information was required. To enable a decision to be made the Clerk to request an outline of their budgeted Income and expenditure for the annual maintenance and details of any improvements and costings that are planned, or maybe planned, for the next few years. This information will be required in time for the preparation of the 2012/13 budget (end of November).

Clerk

../..

