#### **ASHENDON PARISH COUNCIL**

# MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> DECEMBER 2010 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 8PM

**Present:** Councillors D Rand (Chairman)

J. Bonson K. Nash S. Miller

Apologies: District Councillor Margaret Morgan-Owen

County Councillor Michael Edmonds.

4 members of the public present.

A discussion and open forum took place before the meeting.

A submission was made by Mrs. Hilary Dale (Landlady of the Gatehangers' Inn) for directional signage to the pub to be fixed to the bus shelter, for consideration by the Council.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 8.35 pm.

- 1572 **Resolved.** The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> September be signed as a correct record.
- 1573. **Declarations of Interest.** None recorded.

## 1574. **HGV Traffic.**

A response from Total Butler for a request by the Council to restrict their lorries passing through the village was given verbally by the Clerk. The Depot Manager had given an undertaking that the majority of the six-wheel tankers would not be passing through the village. It would appear that this had already taken affect as a resident on Main Street had noticed a reduction in numbers of their lorries.

A letter from Bucks County Council answered the Council's question of how their Freight Strategy restricted HGV's passing through Ashendon. Their reply was that there is no restriction due to a considered view that it would be difficult to promote and enforce and they would only consider a weight limit for extenuating circumstances. They do suggest that alternative funding for such a scheme as restricting HGV's may come through the Delegated Local Area Budget if deemed a high enough priority. The Third Local Transport Plan is currently out to consultation which contributes to this overarching strategy and which will be refreshed annually.

1575. Application by the Proprietor of the Gatehangers' Inn for signage on the Bus Shelter.

**Resolved.** The Council considered that allowing signage to be placed on the bus shelter would possibly create a president and detract from it's appearance. Permission was refused.

#### 1576. Planning Policy in the District.

Councillor Miller and Nash gave a briefing of the Workshop Session held by AVDC outlining the strategy to consult with the community to formulate a new planning policy for the district. Their conclusion being that, although the process has started, AVDC have not adopted a firm policy for consultation therefore it was too early to give a considered assessment.

#### 1577. Community Contingency Plan.

This Plan is for supporting the community at times of greatest need (ie. severe snow fall, flooding, power failure etc.).

**Resolved.** Councillor Miller and Nash to be members of the Panel to consider it's formation and make recommendations to the Council for their consideration and adoption at a future meeting.

## 1578. Outstanding Payments

Resolved. To pay:

Proposed by Councillor Bonson, Seconded by Councillor Nash.

£25.00
£141.00
£822.50
£225.00
£39.78
£66.60

## 1579. **2011/12 Budget and Precept.**

## Resolved.

The proposed Budget and Precept Application was approved. Proposed by Councillor Nash, Seconded by Councillor Miller.

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Playing Field Grass Cutting	695
Car Park Maintenance (Grass Strimming)	250
Boughton's Peace	290
Administration	500
Insurance	510
Street Lighting	800
Village Hall/Pavilion	220
Accumulation Funds for Project Work	
Election expenses	140
Accumulation for contingences	
and Reserve Fund	880
Car Park resurfacing accrual	<u>250</u>
TOTAL	£4535

Proposed Budget for 2011/12 is £4535

## 1580. Touring Arts and Holiday Activities Programme (arranged by AVDC). Resolved.

The Parish Council to co-ordinate as usual Play Around the Parishes, Music in Quiet Places (to be passed to Ashendon Playing Field Association for their consideration) and Perfect Village Sunday (to be passed to the Red Lion Social Club for their consideration).

## 1581. Closing of the Bank of Ireland Deposit Account.

#### Resolved.

The Account to be closed and the funds transferred to the Council's Barclays Account.

## 1582. Reports By Members Attending Outside Organisations.

NAG. Given by Councillor Bonson.

LAF. Given by Councillor Bonson.

CLP. Given by Councillors Miller and Nash.

#### 1583. Bucks County Council Local Transport Plan.

(2011/12-2015/16) Public Consultation.

#### Resolved.

The Clerk to ask Mr. Peter Smettem to consider this document and precise it for the Council's consideration and subsequent contribution towards the Consultation.

## 1584. Planning.

Doone Cottage. Main Street. The minor amendments to the original application were noted.

## 1585. Resignation of Councillor Robert Manasse.

#### Resolved.

This resignation was accepted and the Clerk to advertise on the Notice Board his resignation. The Council agreed that, as the current council is less than six months before it's end of tenure, they will not seek to hold a bi-election or selection of a replacement member.

#### 1586. Date of next meeting.

To be decided (probably mid-March 2011 unless any unforeseen business is in need of a meeting).

There being no further business the Chairman closed the meeting at 9.25 pm.