

ASHENDON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 22ND JUNE 2009
IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 8PM

Present Councillors: D. Rand (Chairman)
 J. Bonson
 R. Manasse
 S. Miller
 K. Nash

 Clerk: Michael Rand

5 members of the public present.

A discussion and open forum took place before the Meeting.

The Chairman opened the Meeting at 8.25 pm.

1572 **Resolved.** The Minutes of the previous Meeting held on the 7th May 2009 were signed as a correct record. It was noted that with reference to Item 1570, Mr. Holder had accepted the price of £150 for the grass cutting of Boughton's Peace for the remainder of the year but the area has not been maintained satisfactorily. The Chairman agreed to draw this matter to Mr. Holder's attention.

1573. **Approval of the Council's Annual Accounts for 2008/09**
The Accounts for last year which had been audited by the Council's Internal Auditor, Mr. Andy Howes from A. S. Howes & Co., were adopted by the Council.
Proposed: Councillor K. Nash. Seconded: Councillor J. Bonson.
Resolved. A letter of thanks for sent to Mr. Andy Howes for his services.

1574. **Planning Applications.**
1. 09/00956/ATC. Fell one holly and one horse chestnut tree. Corindi, Lower End.
The Clerk left the meeting for this one item because of his personal and prejudicial conflict of interest.
Resolved. No objections.
2. 09/01001/APP. Site for Agricultural Workers Dwelling, Berryfield Farm Buildings. Ashendon Road. Wotton.
It was noted that although this application is not in the Parish of Ashendon, Aylesbury Vale Planning Authority has requested any observations as the site is adjacent to the Parish Boundary.
The Chairman, Councillor Rand, retired from the meeting for this item because of his personal conflict of interest. Councillor J. Bonson chaired the meeting for this item.
Resolved. No objections but to add a comment 'Do not forget the newts'

1575 Youth Cafe.

This item to be put on the next Agenda as all the relevant information had not been obtained.

1576 1. Future of the Council's Web Site

The Clerk reported for the year of 2009 the Parish Council's Web Site had received so far 208 visits of which 143 were Unique. 2528 pages had been visited and a total of 2649 hits had been taken. On the 19th June 15 visits had been made, 29 pages had been viewed with a total of 29 hits being taken.

Resolved. To continue with the web site.

2. Publication of Minutes.

Resolved. The Clerk to contact the Bernwode News Correspondent to request either himself or a nominated replacement to attend all Parish Council Meetings so that a report can be included in the magazine. Meanwhile a submission will be made to the Bernwode News advising that the Minutes will be published on the Council's Web Site and on the Village Notice Board.

1577 Report by Council Representatives on Outside Organisations.

NAG. No report

Local Area Forum. Councillor Nash attended the last meeting and gave a detailed report. It was noted that it would be an advantage if Ashendon had a Parish Plan and was always represented at the LAF meetings.

Resolved. Councillor Nash would attend all future meetings and find a replacement if the date is not convenient. Details of drafting a Parish Plan would be a subject on a future Agenda.

1578 Outstanding Payments.

Resolved.

To pay Andrew Tomlinson £224.25 for street light maintenance.

1579 Date of next Meeting.

Monday 21st September 2009 in the Village Hall at 8 pm.