Abinger Parish Council

Abinger Common, Abinger Hammer, Forest Green, Oakwood Hill & Walliswood

Minutes of APC Council Meeting held on 22nd August 2022 at 7pm

Venue	Walliswood Village Hall			
Councillors	Paul Cleaver (PC), Deardre Cunningham (DC), Maria Belcher (MB) Ed Biglan			
	(EB) David Keene (DK) Ros Dore	•	- () -	0
Clerk	Beccy Anderson (BA) – Cllr MB acting as Chair for this meeting			
Attending			0	
Item				
1	Attendance and Apologies for Absence – EB			
2	Declarations of Interest – All councillors are the trustee for APRGC.			
3	Public Question Time - No members of the public attended			
4	 Approval of the Minutes of the Annual Council meeting held on 18th July 2022 The Minutes of the meeting having previously circulated were taken as read. 			
5	 Planning Councillors noted the meeting of 8th August 2022 was cancelled as no applications needed discussing. 			
6	Matters arising from previous Minutes - None			
7	 To receive Clerk's financial report and to authorise issue of cheques Approve bank reconciliation – Councillors noted the July 2022 bank reconciliation could not be approved as the Clerk had mislaid the bank statement. The Clerk has ordered a replacement and the bank reconciliation can be approved in September 2022 			
	Approve payments – The payments for August 2022 were approved.			
		AUGUST 2022 PAYMENTS		
	HMRC	Clerks PAYE & NI August 2022	418.27	
	Forest Green Village Hall	Hall rental 20/06/22	20.00	
	Clovers Grounds Maintenance	GM contract July 2022	1,196.06	
	Rebecca Anderson	Clerks exps July 2022	73.13	
	Tony Kenward *	Tree works	1,850.00	
	J J Findlay	FG Hay Making	1,859.21	
	* Cheque re-issued - cheque issued June 2022 lost in post			

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	 Online Banking – The Clerk updated councillors informing them she called NatWest today who confirmed they had added her as a signatory (to enable usage of online banking) The Clerk will forward the Online banking application form to ClIrs PC and DC for signature. 		
8	 Platinum Jubilee Trees Councillors noted the response from SCC Treescapes Team. Cllr PC stated that Walnut trees would also be a good choice for planting on Parish sites. The Clerk was asked to contact the Treescapes team to see if these could be added to the APC expression of interest. 		
9	 Walliswood Village Hall Councillors agreed to buy to new 'No dogs' signs for both village hall grounds gates to be fitted by the Village Hall Ass. Councillors noted WWVHA response to planting trees and agreed no trees would be planted unless they were happy with the decision as new trees would need watering. 		
10	 GM Contract for 2022 Cllrs discussed the feedback from Cllr MB/Abinger Hammer Cricket Club re the litter picking service at AH who expressed they were happy with the service. Cllrs agreed that for 2023 once a week term-time and twice a week in school holidays should be adequate. The Clerk was asked to contact JB to ask for a quote for the GM contract for 2023 to include a reduced litter picking service. 		
11	 Playground Inspections Councillors discussed the quote for repairs to the Abinger Hammer MPU from Safeplay and agreed the quote was too high. Cllr PC agreed to contact KS to obtain a quote. 		
12	 Chairs announcements – Cllr PC asked councillors to review the quote from PR to replace a sleeper bridge on FG. Councillors approved the quote and asked to Clerk to contact PR to arrange the work. 		
13	Date of next Meeting – Monday 19 th September 2022, 7pm Abinger Hammer Village Hall		
14	 Matters to consider excluding the public - No matters needing discussion 		

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The meeting closed at 19.40pm