

## ASHENDON PARISH COUNCIL

### MINUTES OF THE GENERAL MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 31st MARCH 2015 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 8 PM

<b>Present:</b>	Councillors	Kevin Nash (Chairman) John Bonson Les Curtis Sian Miller Geoff Pimm
	County Councillor	Paul Irwin
	Clerk	Michael Rand
<b>Apologies:</b>	District Councillor	David Vick

Two members of the public present.

An open forum took place when members of the public discussed items on the Agenda.

The Meeting was opened at 8.10 pm.

1966. **Minutes.** **ACTION**  
**Resolved.** The Minutes of the previous meeting held on 2<sup>nd</sup> March 2015 be signed as a correct record.
1967. **Declarations of Interest.**  
None recorded.
1968. **Rural Affordable Housing Survey.**  
The Survey had now been completed and circulated. The findings and recommendations are shown as a need for;  
2 x 1 bedroom homes for rent  
2 x 2 bedroom homes for rent or;  
1 x 2 bedroom home shared ownership  
and 1 x 2 bedroom for rent depending on the availability of suitable mortgages.
- Resolved.**  
To pursue the recommendations and request Mrs. Jean Fox (Community Impact Bucks) to identify potential land suitable for development and to clarify how the shared ownership housing will remain affordable.
- Proposed Cllr. Pimm. Seconded Cllr. Miller.

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1969. **Update on the provision of a Defibrillator.**  
The defibrillator had now been delivered and in store.  
The cabinet has still to be received.  
Cllr. Irwin was thanked for the County Council's Leaders Fund Grant of £450 towards its cost.  
**Resolved.**  
The Village Hall Committee will take on responsibility for the defibrillator installation and connection.  
The electrical supply specification to be forwarded to the Committee. Clerk
- The Parish Council will reimburse the cost for the defibrillator installation and connection  
Proposed Cllr . Pimm. Seconded Cllr. Miller
1970. **Community Speed Watch**  
Cllr. Miller is still waiting for PC Anthony Hurd to confirm training dates.  
**Resolved.**  
PC Anthony Hurd to be chased to contact Cllr Miller Clerk
1971. **Reports by Members of the Council on Outside Organisations.**  
There were none.
1972. **Broadband.**  
The Clerk had received a reply from Bucks Business First but was unable to report on any further advancement.  
**Resolved.**  
A firm answer to be requested from Bucks Business First on a definite programme and strength of the anticipated superfast broadband supply to the village. Clerk
1973. **Cutting back hedge, Lower End.**  
Cllr. Irwin and the Chairman Cllr Nash reported on their meeting with Paul Foot (BCC) and Stuart Campbell (BCC) to discuss the cutting back or removal of the hedge. The homeowner stated he had replied to BCC's letter asking for a site visit but had not received a reply.  
Stuart Campbell will follow this up with a meeting with the householder to hopefully resolve the matter and report to the Parish Council. SC
1974. **Reducing height of wall in front of the War Memorial.**  
St. Mary's PCC had forwarded a quotation from Mr. L. Phelps to reduce the height of the church wall by 300mm and a width of 1200mm.  
**Resolved.**  
The PCC be informed that the quote did not fully comply with the Parish Council's decision that the wall be reduced by a height of 400mm and a width of 1800mm. and also to confirm that the vertical stone capping is to be reinstated to the wall after its reduction in height.  
A check to be made with AVDC whether permission is required for this work to be carried out. Clerk

1975. **Request for the supply of a Dog Bin.**

The price for the supply and installation per dog bin was £308.21 plus VAT.  
The weekly emptying of each bin was £57.92 +VAT per year.

**Resolved.**

- Not to fit any dog bins but to highlight the cost in a article in the Bernwode News.
- A further article in the Bernwode News highlighting the dangers to livestock that can be transmitted through infected dog fasces left uncollected in fields.

GP

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1976. **Causeway Footpath** – dangerous surface.

Cllr. Irwin and the Chairman Cllr. Nash reported on their site meeting with Stuart Campbell (BCC) and Paul Foot (BCC).

Stuart Campbell is to arrange for BCC to lay a double course of granite sets on top of the existing concrete kerbing already in-situ on the junction with Main Street and Wotton Road.

**Resolved.**

Quotations to be sought for surface treatment with road planings the length of the Causeway Footpath for consideration at the next meeting.

Clerk

1977. **Outstanding Accounts.**

**Resolved:** To pay

WEL Medical Ltd. Defibrillator and Cabinet £1658.15.

Proposed Cllr Bonson. Seconded Cllr Miller.

**Date of next Meetings:**

Annual Parish Meeting	20 <sup>th</sup> April 2015
Annual Council Meeting	11 <sup>th</sup> May 2015.

The Meeting closed at 9.20 pm.