

ASHENDON PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 24TH JANUARY 2011
IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 8 PM

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

Apologies: District Councillor Margaret Morgan-Owen
County Councillor Michael Edmonds

6 members of the public present.

The Chairman invited members of the public to address the Council during an open forum.

The Chairman opened the meeting at 8.10 pm.

1587. **Minutes.**

Resolved. The Minutes of the previous Meeting held on 20th December 2010 be signed as a correct record.

1588. **Declarations of Interest.** None recorded.

1589 **Consideration of the Bucks County Council Local Transport Consultation.**

Resolved. As the Councillors had not received the precise compiled by Mr. Peter Smettem, the Clerk to forward the Council's view after receiving their comments on the precise which will be forwarded to them by email.

1590 **Reassessment of Road Signage through the village.**

Resolved. The Clerk to make an appointment for the Officer from Bucks County Council to visit and explain their views on their reappraisal of the existing signs.

1591 **Community Contingency Planning.**

Councillors Nash and Miller gave an update on their considerations of a Plan which is still on-going. A further update will be given at the next meeting.

1592 **Planning.**

3 The Close, Ashendon. Ref. 10/02594/APP.

Resolved. No objections.

1593. **Vale of Aylesbury Plan – Community View Questionnaire.**

Mr. David Crwys-Williams, as Chairman of Ashendon's Community Led Plan Steering Committee, addressed the Council on how his group could assist the Parish Council in gaining the views of the Community to satisfy any need, if thought necessary, for new homes and jobs.

Resolved. To return the Questionnaire to AVDC requesting to explore with AVDC the issues around development before coming to a conclusion and also to inform them that the Parish has started to develop a Community Plan. The Council also accepted the invitation from the Community Led Plan Steering Group to complete any documented evidence in assisting it to answer any needs for development if thought necessary.

1594. **Parish Council Blog.**

Councillor Miller addressed the Council on the advantages that a Blog would bring to enable the Parish to be better informed on the Council's actions and the passing on of information that it receives from fellow stakeholders. Councillor Miller also outlined the disadvantages such as the necessity that it is kept up to date, the information is current and it does not become subject to trivia and expanded beyond its original brief.

Resolved. The Council to accept the invitation of the Chairman to the Community Led Plan Steering Group for it to be included in its consultation with the Parish for it to establish whether it is thought there is a need for a blog which could be shared between other village organisations.

1595 **Reports by members attending outside organisations.**

None to report on.

1596. **Date of next Meeting.**

Monday 21st March 2011.