Minutes of the Meeting of Aslockton Parish Council held in the Thomas Cranmer Centre, Aslockton, Nottinghamshire, on Monday 14th November 2016

Parish councillors present: Cllrs M Barker (Chair), C Haslam, K Auckland, A Crowley, J Brown, B Marshall.

Also present: Borough Cllr Mrs Maureen Stockwood, two members of the public.

16.121 Apologies

Cllr R Sharpe; County Cllr Francis Purdue-Horan

16.122 Declaration of interest

Cllr Haslam in relation to the hiring of a contractor to undertake the Footpath 11 improvements; Cllr Barker + Cllr Haslam in relation to the land south of Abbey Lane.

16.123 Public Meeting

Cllr Stockwood had attended part of the public inquiry in relation to the land north of Abbey Lane; she thought the inspector seemed fair and approachable.

16.124 Adoption of October meeting minutes

APC resolved to adopt the minutes with one edit: 16.108 header should read 'Adoption of September meeting minutes'. They were signed off accordingly by the Chairman.

16.125 Planning

- **16/02662/FUL** The Barn, Abbey Farm, New Lane: extension of existing + new agricultural building (hay stores) **No objection.**
- 16/02770/FUL 1 Stable Court, Dawns Lane: proposed garage/outbuilding had become 'proposed outbuilding to accommodate gym + store'. Councillors would like to site visit. Clerk to ask the relevant planning officer for an extension for comments.
- Update on the RBC refusal of permission to developing land north of Cliffhill Lane (16/00733/OUT): APC assume nothing will happen with this until the result of the north of Abbey Lane inquiry is announced.
- Parish councillors attended the public inquiry for the outline application to develop land north of Abbey Lane at the end of October. The public inspector came out to the village on a site visit. Decision to be by the end of November.
- Outline permission granted on appeal for land south of Abbey Lane: a 'reserved matters application' is due to be made by Avant Homes. Information evening to be held soon for the p c + people living near the site.
- Planning permission refused for the construction of a new dwelling including

landscape and means of enclosure, Mr D Morton, York House, Chapel Lane (RBC ref 15/01800/FUL) has gone to appeal. APC feel the same comments they made last time still stand so no further action required.

Planning permission given to:

16/02156/FUL The Limes, Chapel Street: single storey extension

16/01998/FUL 1 The Maltings, Abbey Lane: detached garage with study above

16/02314/FUL Mulberry House, Mill Lane: garden store

16/00180/CONARE Fell silver birch at Millwood, Mill Lane

16.126 Clerk's Report

The report was received + noted by the councillors.

16.127 Whatton + Aslockton Playing Field - the pavilion + equipment

Cllr Haslam reported that the Playing Field Management Committee chairman, Mr Gregg Redford, had resigned. The committee had met as arranged using the agenda the former chairman had prepared; Cllr Haslam chaired the meeting. At the next meeting the roles of chairman, vice-chair, treasurer + minute-taker will need to be filled.

The replacement of the pavilion:

 results of the completed surveys are to be looked at by groups of three of the remaining committee members. APC feel a trustees meeting should be held as soon as the survey results have been analysed; and that alternative options to the existing proposal should be reconsidered.

Play equipment:

Following residents comments; the committee will start to address the need for improved play equipment on the field. A sub-committee could possibly be formed to focus on this. Progress in the purchase or repair of equipment could be achieved in a shorter time-frame than the replacement of the sports pavilion.

16.128 Footpaths

Cllr Auckland will ensure the way-marker post at Saucer Farm is correctly in place.

Cllr Haslam had suggested a possible (NCC approved) contractor for the footpath 11 improvements. Rights of Way officer Jane Baines is considering quotes: the clerk to request an update before the next p c meeting.

Jane Baines has not heard from the land-owner re the footpath by Griffin's End (she had asked for a dog latch to be put in the gate).

16.129 Community Notice Board

Malcolm Lane supplied the PETG and this has been fitted. If councillors are given relevant posters; Cllr Barker, the clerk + church-warden/TCC representative Mr David Rowe have keys.

16.130 S137s - Vale First Responders + the churchyard

APC resolved to make a donation of £100 to the Vale of First Responders at the next meeting. Towards the end of the current financial year if there is still money in the budget for S137s; a further donation may be made.

The churchyard request will be discussed at budget/precept setting time in January. The clerk to let PCC secretary Mr Mike Senior know.

16.131 East Midlands Trains - timetables

Following a letter from Bottesford Parish Council, APC discussed the time-table. It was felt by councillors that an improvement would be a late evening train from Nottingham.

16.132 Supporting Local Communities (NCC) - invite to bid

APC decided that if a bid were to be made, then help towards the purchase of play equipment would useful. Councillors to look further at the details of the application process – the deadline for applying is the 16th December.

16.133 Conservation Appraisal

Cllr Auckland felt that is is time for another look at what is in the designated conservation area as there is some evidence of 'ridge + furrow' in the parish which may not have been noted before. Cllr Barker to have a word with the conservation officer at RBC.

16.134 Abbey Close Allotments

Last meeting it was decided the council would at some point soon meet at the allotments with a large scale plan of the plots + the tenants names; to identify the problem areas and consider future action. The Clerk distributed copies of an enlarged plan of the plots. APC resolved to keep 2 + 3 vacant for the time being. Plot 1 will be vacant at the end of March – this would then mean some work could then be done on the left hand side of the site as you come in e.g. an extension of the parking space.

The clerk to ask Simon Thurston to do the annual hedge cutting; and request he meet Cllr Barker to look at D Thompson's property border with plot 20.

16.135 Finances

For payment:

Clerk's salary	£286.66
Clerk's Working From Home Allowance	£83.50
Clerk's office expenses	£12.84
Pension Contribution (employee's £16.68 + employer's £44.59)	£61.27

Malcolm Lane - community notice-board PETG	£66.00
Cllr Marshall – parking costs at the inquiry	£3.00
Cllr Sharpe – parking costs at the inquiry	£6.00
Cllr Barker - parking costs at the inquiry + printer paper	£8.50
Mrs Maggie Lowth - plant purchases	£11.48

Proposer to the above payments – Cllr Brown; Seconder Cllr Crowley

Statements of accounts October 2016. Proposer Cllr Barker; Seconder Cllr Auckland.

16.136 Chairman's Business

- The free bus to Downtown for concessionary pass holders on Thursdays is to be stopped. Cllr Barker has found out that an alternative may be offered.
- The village Christmas tree + lights are to be put up by Cllr Barker & Mrs Barker.
- The church festival Christmas tree is to be put up by Cllr Haslam + Mrs Haslam.
- The road sign at the end of Abbey Lane has yet to be reinstalled.

16.137 Councillors Reports

Clir Auckland said she had heard that Whatton P C had approached RBC about the possibility of establishing a voluntary dog warden role for their village. She will keep tabs on this with a view to APC taking the same action in future.

16.138 Correspondence

Letter from Mr & Mrs D Bastable expressing concern about traffic/congestion in the village and the risk of accidents.

Letter from Mrs M Lowth thanking APC for their efforts representing villagers at the public inquiry re land north of Abbey Lane.

Information on Heartstart a course run by the First Responders

Sales information on an admin support system parish councils.

16.139 Items for the December agenda

Playing Field Pavilion/Equipment Footpaths
Supporting Local Communities Bid

Finance – S137 for Vale First Responders

16.140 Date of next scheduled monthly meeting

Monday December 12th 2016 at the Thomas Cranmer Centre at 7pm.