

# Abinger Parish Council

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

## Minutes of APC Council Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 7pm

<b>Venue</b>	Walliswood Village Hall
<b>Councillors</b>	Paul Cleaver (PC), Deardre Cunningham (DC), Maria Belcher (MB) Ed Bigland (EB) Ros Doree (RD)
<b>Clerk</b>	Beccy Anderson (BA)
<b>Attending</b>	Deardre Cunningham (DC), Maria Belcher (MB), Ros Doree (RD) Ed Bigland (EB)
<b>Item</b>	
1	<b>Attendance and Apologies for Absence</b> - PC – Cllr MB acting Chair
2	<b>Declarations of Interest</b> – All councillors are the trustee for APRGC
3	<b>Public Question Time</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Members of the public attended to speak about the request for a playground at Forest Green. ARK was concerned the Parish Council was not backing their request for a playground. Councillors explained they wanted to establish the need for a playground and the petition did not provide addresses so were unsure if the signees were in fact Forest Green residents. The Clerk explained she had collated all the emails sent to her and the Parish Council had received 31 emails from FG residents. Councillors also explained the Clerk had contacted Mole Valley DC regarding planning issues who had recommended the contractor Kompan who could advise as to the best location for the playground and give indications of prices.</li></ul>
4	<b>Approval of the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 20th February 2023</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>The Minutes of the meeting having previously circulated were taken as read and approved.</li></ul>
5	<b>Planning</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Councillors noted the minutes of the meeting of 6<sup>th</sup> March 2023.</li></ul>
6	<b>Matters arising from previous Minutes</b> - None
7	<b>To receive Clerk's financial report and to authorise issue of cheques.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Approve bank reconciliation – Councillors approved the February 2023 bank reconciliation.</li></ul>

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8	<p><b>Surrey Hill ANOB</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>GH updated Councillors regarding The ANOB meeting at SCC on March 13<sup>th</sup>, 2023. Cllrs DC and RD agreed to meet with GH to draw up a draft response from the Parish Council regarding the proposed enlargement of the Surrey Hills ANOB which will be approved at a further Council meeting.</li></ul>																																
9	<p><b>Playgrounds</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Abinger Hammer Playground Repairs. Councillors viewed and approved the quotation from KS for a total £493.25 for the parts and fitting of repairs. The Clerk was instructed to liaise with KS and order the parts and schedule the works asap.</li><li>Playgrounds clean-up. The Clerk updated Councillors that JK had visited the playgrounds and completed the leaf clearance and sprayed the surfaces with organic weed killer. He will be returning before 31/03/2023 to clear the moss before the start of the school Easter holidays.</li><li>Playground Inspection Reports. Cllr MB noted there were no urgent items on the any of the reports. Cllr DC agreed to visit WW playground to view any of the repairs recommended I the report and report back to councillors. Cllr EB agreed to check AH in Cllr PC absence and will visit Ac playground to meet KS when he makes the repairs at that site.</li></ul>																																
10	<p><b>Parish Council Elections</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Councillors noted the date of the upcoming parish elections, noting the deadline of 6<sup>th</sup> April 2023 for the lodging of nomination papers. The Clerk assisted Councillors with instructions to complete the forms and the Electoral numbers need for the nomination papers.</li></ul>																																

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11	<b>Rights of Way Improvements</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Councillors approved the quotation for the gates and discussed the installation of the gates at 2 locations in the Parish. Cllrs were unsure whether 2 gates were needed at Bridgham Farm. Cllr DC agreed to contact landowner to discuss.</li></ul>
12	<b>Drove Road green lane.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>Councillors discussed the email from SC who raised issues concerning Drove Road. Cllr EB agreed to contact JE to discuss the issues with him.</li></ul>
13	<b>Chairs announcements - None</b>
14	<b>Date of next Meeting</b> – Monday 17 <sup>th</sup> April 2023, 7pm Abinger Common Village Hall
15	<b>Matters to consider excluding the public -</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>No matters needing discussion</li></ul>

**The meeting closed at 20.35pm**