

## DRAFT MINUTES

2018/019

**ASHENDON PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Draft Minutes of Parish Council Meeting**  
**held in Ashendon Village Hall**  
**Monday 17<sup>th</sup> December 2018 at 8.00pm**

**PRESENT:**       **Councillors:** Kevin Nash (**KN**), Les Curtis (**LC**), Sian Miller (**SM**), Chris Rand (**CR**), Peter Smettem (**PS**), Venetia Davies (**Clerk and RFO**).

**Parishioners:**     There was one Parishioner present.

### **Parishioners Question Time**

A Parishioner stressed concerns over the kerbing works adjacent to Forge Close. Drivers of heavy and wide vehicles are driving on the new kerbs and the verge between them is being worn away. Dated photographs provided showed that this is progressive. The Parishioner suggested donating two bollards as a temporary measure. It was suggested that the back bank opposite the Parishioners garden be taken back and a footpath installed. **ACTION: CLERK to email PI with photographs and request site visit for recommendations.** It was noted that Dave Smith has been promoted to Senior Supervisor for the Aylesbury area. **CLERK to enquire who the new Local Area Technician is for Ashendon and invite for a village walk around. The white lines in Main Street and any other works to be highlighted.**

### **NB: Action points highlighted**

#### **1. Apologies for Absence**

Paul Irwin (**PI**)

#### **2. Approval of Minutes – Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2018**

Draft Minutes were accepted as a true record and signed by Chairman, KN.

#### **3. Matters Arising**

- **Ashendon Emergency Co-ordinator.** Geoffrey Pimm will be arranging a meeting with Pete Jolley and David Crwys-Williams. **ACTION: CLERK to monitor.**
- **Spoil in Wotton Road** (partly on the verge and partly on the land owned by farmer). Reported online by KN.
- **Street Lighting.** Aylesbury Mains has been asked to be the contractor for ongoing maintenance. **ACTION: CLERK to chase Aylesbury Mains for response. KN to send off completed survey.**
- **Kerbing of Causeway.** **ACTION: KN to obtain quote from a TfB recommended contractor for kerbing of the causeway in 1) countryside kerbs and 2) concrete setts. KN/SM to attend site meeting. A quote for a tarmac pathway to also be obtained. CLERK to chase PI for response to as to whether funding from the S106 agreement (Lower Pollicott 15/03575/APP - £12,924) could be allocated for the Kerbing project.**
- **Elder in Churchyard and surrounds.** **ACTION: LS/CR to remove in New Year.** It was noted that the BT telephone box has now been removed.

#### **4. Declarations of Interest**

There were no interests declared.

## DRAFT MINUTES

2018/020

### 5. Contributions from BCC Cllr and AVDC Cllrs

There were no contributions.

### 6. Reports from Councillors attending meetings and outside organisations

- **Waddesdon Local Area Forum (11/12/18).** ACTION: KN to circulate Minutes once obtained.

### 7. Correspondence

Confirmation received from AVDC that there will be no local elections in 2019. This means that district councillors will now continue until 2020 and that elections for the new unitary council will take place in May 2020. Town and parish council elections have also been postponed until May 2020.

### 8. Connecting Ashendon - Broadband

The route for the underground ducting has been postponed to Spring when ground conditions will have improved.

### 9. Devolved Services

It was agreed that the quotations received be circulated to Councillors for consideration at the January meeting. ACTION: CLERK to circulate and agenda for January meeting.

### 10. Finance:

- a. **Balance from Minutes of previous meeting (19<sup>th</sup> November 2018): £24,018.46**
  - Receipts: £0.00
  - Debits: £0.00
  - Plus unrepresented cheques: £371.50 – New Meaning (ToolShed). Issued since date of last meeting.
  - Less standing orders: £238.34 (Clerk Salary – November)
  - Balance of Bank Account: £23,780.11 (23<sup>rd</sup> November 2018)
  - Available Funds: £23,408.61 (balance of bank account less unrepresented cheques)
- b. **Orders for Payment: £698.90**
  - Venetia Davies - **£18.90** (Clerk travel)
  - Ashendon Playing Fields Association - **£500.00** (agreed donation)
  - Village Hall Association - **£180.00** (hire of Village Hall for meetings)

**BALANCE: £22,709.71 (Available Funds less Orders for Payment)**
- c. **2019/20 BUDGET AND PRECEPT**

The Parish Council agreed a budget increase of £5,000 for further kerbing works to the Causeway and agreed to raise the precept from £14,250 to **£19,250**. This would equate to approximately £44 per year increase for a Band D house. It was noted that funding would also be sought by PS. ACTION: CLERK to return precept request to AVDC (deadline Friday 18th January 2019).

## DRAFT MINUTES

2018/021

### 11. Planning

- **18/04131/AGN - Bidwell Farm, Wotton Road, Ashendon, Buckinghamshire, HP18 0SD**  
Agricultural building extension to existing building. CR had previously declared an interest in this application. Following Councillors comments, Clerk has returned No Objections to AVDC to meet comment deadline.
- **18/04213/ALB 18/04212/APP - Pollicott Manor, Lwr Pollicott, Ashendon, HP18 0HQ.**  
Alterations and extension to rear including demolition and replacement of conservatory (Amendment to planning permission ref 18/00090/APP) including alterations to the new kitchen extension fenestration. Comment Date: 31.12.18  
**ACTION: CLERK to return NO OBJECTIONS to AVDC.**

### 12. Assets of Community Value: The Hundred of Ashendon Public House

Councillors agreed to submit a new nomination (expired 5th September 2018). **ACTION: CLERK to return to AVDC.**

### 13. Items for Information including Diary Dates

- Calvert Landfill LCCM - 7th February 2019. **ACTION: PS to attend.**
- Silent Soldier and Wreath. **ACTION: CLERK to agenda for January meeting.**

### 14. Date and Time of Next Meeting:

**Monday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2018 at 8pm – Ashendon Village Hall**