

ALVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 1st July 2015

PRESENT: Cllr. Ann Thomas District Cllr. Jim Simpson
Cllr. Paul Smooker Sandra Lappington
Cllr. Jennifer Bates Ali Taylor
Andrew Maliphant (Clerk) Gillian Morse-Evans

	Item	Notes	Action
1	Apologies for absence	Cllr. Gary Collier, Cllr. Beveley Collier, District Cllr. Frankie Evans, County Cllr. Patrick Molyneux	
2	Declarations of interest	None	
3	Minutes of the meeting on June 3rd	The minutes were agreed as a true record and signed accordingly by PS as Vice Chairman.	
4	Planning	After discussion it was agreed there were no comments to make on current planning applications.	
5	Highways	PS reported he had contacted county highways again about a number of issues, but there was nothing further to report as yet: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Speed camera not working • Overgrown kerbs at Swan Hill • Overgrown verge opposite Blacksmiths Arms • Street signs need washing 	
6	Playing Field	PS reported he had met on site with Graham Ross, secretary of GPFA, about new play equipment. Graham had since sent information about grant sources to pursue, and the general feeling was that the project should be driven by parents, two of whom had already been in touch. <p>PS was also looking at the new wildlife area grant to see how it might fit with the parish. There had been some debate about the chestnut tree and playing field hedges, which should be trimmed after the bird nesting season.</p>	PS

7	Community Events & Village Hall	There was a discussion about when to have a village event – Easter, August, September – which could be managed by the playing fields committee. AT advised that the dog training club were planning a fundraising event on August 1 st , which could be promoted on Facebook. PS suggested that the dog training club be invited to join the playing field committee.	PS
8	Finance	<p>The following invoices were approved for payment:</p> <p>£15.54 Paul Smooker, padlocks £100.00 Paul Smooker, vice-chairman's allowance £100.00 Gary Collier, chairman's allowance £144.00 Glebe Contractors, playing field grass cutting £40.68 Merlin Waste, dog waste £222.00 Richard Morgan, churchyard grass cutting £158.20 Andrew Maliphant, salary £13.63 Andrew Maliphant, expenses £19.80 PATA (UK), payroll costs £5.40 HMRC, PAYE</p> <p>AM described the new transparency code for smaller precept parishes, which he would circulate. This required the parish council to post further information on the website, all of which was already being produced save the addition of invoice dates to financial summaries.</p>	AM AM/GC
9	Correspondence for Information	<p>The clerk reported a number of items of correspondence, including:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Notice of the GAPTC AGM • Rates rebate for the playing field • Request from Amey for winter maintenance feedback • Notes from the recent chartered parishes meeting • A community transport survey • A personal safety course for the Over-50s on September 8th 	

10	Clerk's Report	The clerk reported progress on actions from the previous meeting, and after discussion it was confirmed that if the trim trail could not be securely repaired the broken item would be removed.	PS
11	Councillor's reports and items for future agenda	AT advised that Clanna Park residents were thinking of having their own neighbourhood watch group. JB reported that she would attend the forthcoming village hall AGM.	
12	Public Forum	GM asked if anyone had a gazebo which could be borrowed for the event on August 1 st . She also had a question about the District Council pursuing traders without the correct licence, and JS agreed to look into the matter.	JS
13	Date of next meeting	The next parish council meeting will be in the village hall on Wednesday 2 nd September from 7.30 pm	

Signed:.....Chairman.

Date:.....