

ALVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 3rd June 2015

PRESENT: Cllr. Gary Collier County Cllr. Patrick Molyneux
 Cllr. Beveley Collier District Cllr. Frankie Evans
 Cllr. Ann Thomas
 Cllr. Paul Smooker John Wood
 Cllr. Jennifer Bates Sue King
 Andrew Maliphant (Clerk) Tom Lockyer

	Item	Notes	Action
1	Apologies for absence	None	
2	Declarations of interest	None	
3	Minutes of the meeting on May 20th	The minutes were agreed as a true record and signed accordingly.	
4	Planning	After discussion of the new planning application for Severnweye Farm it was agreed to comment that the parish council are concerned about the potential increase in large vehicle traffic along the narrow Spout Lane as a result of the proposed livery business. It was also agreed to ask to speak at the District Council planning committee meeting on June 9 th .	AM
5	Highways	<p>PS reported back from the recent A48 meeting, where a number of points had been raised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • There is more vegetation to clear back from the pavement down Swan Hill • County Highways had also agreed to clear the pavement opposite the Blacksmiths Arms, where the parish council might like to create a wild flower area • It would be good if the camera boxes could flash speeding motorists whether or not there is a camera to take the picture • Road signs also need to be cleaned <p>PS would contact Highways again</p>	

		<p>about these points and also about tall roadside grasses and overgrown hedgerows in general.</p> <p>Concern was also expressed about the overhanging brambles opposite the Globe, and PS said he would contact the garden's owner about cutting them back again.</p> <p>GC asked whether the speed guns could be borrowed again from the police, as Staunton parish council had asked for some feedback on their use. PS noted that despite sending the previous speed figures to the police there had been no feedback on the outcome.</p>	<p>PS</p> <p>PS</p>
6	Playing Field	<p>After discussion the revised terms of reference for the playing field committee were agreed, though PS added there was a problem with sports club members not coming to the meetings.</p> <p>It was also agreed that the parish council could not pay any more towards grass cutting on the field.</p> <p>PS reported that part of the trim trail was broken, and it was agreed that – due to the age of the equipment – anything broken would simply be removed rather than repaired.</p> <p>GC advised that a local resident was researching funds for new equipment, and he agreed to ask her to keep the parish council in the loop.</p> <p>After discussion about the potential for a wildlife area it was agreed to start the process of creating a churchyard management plan which would include care of wildlife.</p>	<p>PS</p> <p>GC</p> <p>AM/GC</p>
7	Community Events & Village Hall	<p>After discussion it was agreed to email the cricket club to confirm approval for an event on the playing field in August.</p>	<p>AM</p>

8	Finance	<p>The following invoices were approved for payment, following a review of three different proposals for annual parish insurance:</p> <p>£167.90 Andrew Maliphant, salary £274.45 Community First, insurance</p>	
9	Correspondence for Information	<p>The clerk reported training course opportunities on the parish code of conduct and also community infrastructure levy. PM advised that the district council had not made up their mind yet whether to introduce the latter, which might have the effect of making new houses less affordable.</p> <p>GPFA had written offering a free assessment of the playing field, and PS agreed to contact them. The clerk also reported the recent business rates demand for the playing field would be nullified by a suitable letter.</p>	<p>PS</p> <p>AM</p>
10	Clerk's Report	<p>After discussion it was agreed to circulate the parish standing orders and financial regulations by email.</p>	AM
11	Councillor's reports and items for future agenda	<p>GC raised the issue of youth gang activity including drug taking on the playing field car park. It was agreed to get quotes for a lockable gate which might be a solution to the problem.</p>	GC
12	Public Forum	<p>JW expressed thanks for the work done around the BT manhole on Clanna Lane.</p>	
13	Date of next meeting	<p>The next parish council meeting will be in the village hall on Wednesday 1st July from 7.30 pm</p>	

Signed:.....Chairman.

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