

## ALVINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

**Minutes of the meeting held remotely (Zoom) on Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2020, 7.30 pm**

PRESENT: Cllr Alan Haslam (Chairman)  
 Cllr Richard Heys (Vice-Chair)  
 Cllr. Gail Thompson  
 Cllr. Lisa Chidley  
 Cllr. Chris Miles

ATTENDING: Alec Davis  
 Nick Powell  
 John Wood

CCllr Patrick Molyneux  
 Meg Humphries (Clerk)

No/ Ref	Item/Notes	Action
1. 100 20/21	<b>To receive apologies for absence</b> District Councillor Chris McFarling sent his apologies due to a diary clash.	
2. 101 20/21	<b>To note declarations of interest relating to the agenda.</b> None.	
3. 102 20/21	<b>Chairman's announcement: thanks to Cllr Chris Miles, who is leaving the council, and update on the process for replacement.</b> Cllr Haslam thanked Cllr Miles on behalf of the council and community for his work and remarked how Cllr Miles had been really valuable. A card and gift were presented to Cllr Miles, due to leave the council at the end of this meeting.  Cllr Haslam then outlined the process for replacing Cllr Miles: FoDDC giving notice to allow parishioners to call a by-election if they wished, and if not, the position would be filled through co-option in January at a dedicated meeting. The Clerk will be managing the process.	
4. 103 20/21	<b>To approve the accuracy of the draft minutes of the Full Council Meeting on 04.11.20.</b> Approved; to be signed by Cllr Haslam.	
5. 104 20/21	<b>Public forum.</b> John Wood: a) Swan Hill car debris is still there – Clerk will chase this. b) Overgrowth on the footway towards Aylburton – Cllr Haslam confirmed that this had been reported. Nick Powell: Drainage issue on Clanna Lane, where a culvert has been filled and therefore water isn't being carried away – Clerk will report to Highways. Alec Davis: a) Reiterated the issue of the footway to Aylburton (as raised by Mr Wood). B) Knapp Lane resurfacing – Cllr Haslam advised that this has been booked in for Q4 of 20-21.	MH  MH
6. 105 20/21	<b>To receive/note any reports from county and district councillors for the parish.</b> <b>District Councillor McFarling sent a report via email; a summary follows.</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• FoDDC is looking to broker an agreement with the developer of the Clanna Road site to remove the crossing condition and allocate the funds to the parish council to install a crossing.</li> <li>• DCllr McFarling continues to work with Laurence King regarding the Clanna development and also about 2 Tudor Cottages sewage flooding issue.</li> </ul>	

<p>7. 107 20/21</p>	<p><b>Planning</b>  <b>a) To consider the planning application P0120/20/DISCON: Land Off, Clanna Road, Alvington, Gloucestershire. Discharge of conditions 06 (foul drainage scheme), 07 (surface water drainage details), 08 (street design scheme) and 09 (Cycle storage) of planning appeal decision APP/P1615/W/16/3153161.</b>  Noted. Regarding drainage: Laurence King (flooding engineer) is looking at this closely, and the parish council have sent recent information and photos to aid his consideration. The application is going to Planning Committee meeting on 8<sup>th</sup> December, and the parish council would be submitting a comment in line with the aim of brokering an agreement about a crossing. (See also Item 6, first point.)  <b>b) To note the council's responses to the Chepstow Transport Plan consultation and the FoDDC Local Plan Preferred Option consultation.</b>  Noted. It was resolved to send the draft response.  <b>c) To receive any progress reports on local planning matters.</b>  Additional application: P0880/20/FUL: Alderbrook, Lower Common, Aylburton, Lydney, Gloucestershire, GL15 6DU: Noted; no objections.</p>	<p>MH</p>
<p>8. 108 20/21</p>	<p><b>Village</b>  <b>a) Coronavirus: to receive any updates specific to the parish</b>  Cllr Thompson continues to act as community liaison. She reported that all is quiet and had remained so through the second lockdown.  <b>b) To note any updates on village/parish improvement matters (see meeting pack)</b> 2 Tudor Cottages: the parish council will be escalating this by contacting the regulatory body, under guidance from DCllr McFarling.  Garlands Rd footpath: Highways have now claimed ownership and will be working to improve it. Public Rights of Way: Jeff Wheeler continues to work on the outstanding issues.  <b>c) Allotments: To receive any updates.</b> Clerk advises that she has sent out the proposed guidelines to ploholders for comment and anticipates these being signed off at the February meeting.  <b>d) To receive any reports on other village matters.</b> None.</p>	
<p>9. 109 19/20</p>	<p><b>Sports Field</b>  <b>a) Pavilion project: to receive any updates.</b> Cllr Heys reported that the funding application is currently being considered by the turbine committee, who are meeting via correspondence this month.  <b>b) Mowing: to receive any updates including replacement mower purchase.</b>  Cllr Heys advised that money has been identified to potentially cover the mower, so on the basis of the budget being approved (item 13), it was resolved to make an offer.  <b>c) Play equipment repairs and safety improvements: to note any updates.</b>  Cllr Heys reported that this is ongoing; pending formation of a working party.  <b>d) Woodland Trust tree pack: to receive an update on planting arrangements.</b>  Due to COVID restrictions, it was agreed to forgo any plans to hold a tree-planting event and instead to plant them via a councillors' and core volunteers' working party, Sunday 13<sup>th</sup> December 1.30 pm.  <b>e) To receive any reports on other Sports Field matters.</b>  Cllr Chidley put forward a suggestion for additional signage wording about antisocial dogs. This suggestion was agreed, and Cllr Chidley will circulate proposed wording.  The car park gate post has been knocked yet again. Cllr Heys suggested sticking some bicycle reflectors to the post to improve night visibility and will identify some suitable ones to potentially buy.</p>	<p>MH</p>



	<p>Cllr Heys advised that Woolaston Primary School was in the process of updating and retiring governors and they now have a full panel of governors, which is excellent news for the school.</p>	
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	<p><b>d) To note the date of the next council meeting: Thursday 4th February 2021, 7.30 pm.</b> Noted.</p>	
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Meeting closed: 8.55 pm

Signed:.....Chairman.

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