

Aldsworth Parish Council

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held March 14th 2016

Present

Mr David Pegrum (Chairman)

Mr Richard Meadows (Vice Chairman)

Mrs Jo Jenvey

Mr Nigel Berry

Miss Kate James (Parish Clerk)

Also Present

Susee Mason

Nigel Fordham

Apologises

Miss Shona McFarlane

2/ Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

3/ Approval of minutes of last meeting

Minutes of meeting held December 14th 2015 were approved

4/ Matters arising

None

5/ Financial

Income: £850 precept & £1050 grass cutting grant

Expenditure: £56.54 for GAPTC membership.

6/ Planning

16/00375TCONR – Two Bird Cherry Trees reduce crown by 35% - Howards Barn Aldsworth, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire GL54 3QZ –

16/00587/CLOPUD – Certificate of Lawful Proposed Use or Development under Section 192 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for the implementation of a single storey principal elevation extension by the making of a material start – New Green Farm, Aldsworth, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire, GL54 3RB – **The Parish Council has no objections to this planning application.**

16/00837/TCONR – Fell Chestnut Tree - Howards Barn Aldsworth, Cheltenham, Gloucestershire GL54 3QZ – **The Parish Council had no overall objection but did feel that as it was not causing any structural damage to the wall the Parish Council would like to comment that it seems unnecessary to fell a healthy tree.**

7/ Any other business

1 – White lines at Village Road Junction

With reference to the concerns raised about the fading white lines in the village Paul Swift has replied and stated that the lining through the village is due for refurbishment in the new financial year and when the weather improves. Highways have also been asked to look at the white lines on the road that were not replaced when the road was patched late last year.

2 – Village Grass Cutting

Grass cutting will continue through the village once the weather has improved.

3- Rubbish at the bottom of Ladbarrow Lane

The amount of rubbish being left at the bottom of Ladbarrow Lane has been brought to the Parish Councils attention. Kate James is making contact with the council to enquire about rubbish bins being placed in the area to try and prevent this.

4- Footpath Access

It has been brought to the Parish Council attention that a gate which allows access to a public footpath is not functioning properly. David Pegrum will approach the landowner in respect of getting this fixed.

5-The ex-public telephone box

The phone box at the bottom of the village has now been disconnected from its electricity supply. David, Richard and Nigel will inspect the phone box to decide on the best course of action for the phone box i.e. move the phone box to a more central location.

6 – Village Stream

Further from the last meetings minutes the Riparian owners have agreed to the stream being cleaned and quotes have been sought from contractors. The tidying and widening of the stream is an ongoing issue and David Pegrum will liaise with the riparian owners.

7-Speed limit on the B4425

Due to a recent Road Traffic Collision on the B4425 within the 50 mph zone, the question has been raised to see if this limit can be reduced. Residents have recently made contact with local governing bodies and the Parish Council. The Parish Council is liaising with the local governing bodies to see if the speed limit along the B4425 can be reduced.

8 – Neighbourhood Policing

Recently, owing to illness and operational requirements, there has been a need for further reorganisation; consequently for the time being there have been a number of changes in the North Cotswold NPT. For all non urgent issues, PCSO 9005 Mel Oliveira is your main point of contact with the Neighbourhood Policing Team. She may be contacted on the following email address:

Mel.Oliveira@gloucestershire.pnn.police.uk .

“It should be noted that Mel is the main point of contact for Aldsworth, Barrington, Bourton on the Water, Clapton on the Hill (MJ), Cold Aston, Compton Abdale, Farmington, Great Rissington, Hazleton, Little Rissington, Lower Slaughter, Notgrove, Sherborne, Shipton Oliffe, Turkdean, Upper Rissington, Upper Slaughter, Withington, Wyck Rissington & Yanworth. Mel also works as part of a team of three PCSO’s that have the responsibility for patrolling all 57 parishes of the North Cotswolds. This team is also expected to respond to calls for assistance from Police Officers at road traffic collisions and to undertake other work in support of Police Officers as directed by the duty Sgt.

Please remember that in an emergency you must dial 999 and ask for the emergency service you require: Police, Fire or Ambulance. Equally, incidents that require dealing with that day should be reported via the 101 telephone number.

Finally I must reiterate that our commitment to our local communities is undiminished and that the level of police response cover in the North Cotswolds remains unchanged.”

8/ Correspondence

None

9/ Date of Next Meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held 18th April 2016 at 1930 HOURS at THE VILLAGE HALL.