

Aldsworth Parish Council

Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held January 11th 2017

Present

Mr David Pegrum (Chairman)

Mr Richard Meadows (Vice Chairman)

Miss Shona McFarlane

Mr Nigel Berry

Miss Kate James (Parish Clerk)

Apologises

Mrs Joanne Jenvey

Also present

Gordon Jones, Nigel Fordham, Susee Fordham, Lizzie Quarterman & Beryl Wilcox

2/Declaration of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

3/Approval of minutes of last meeting

Minutes of meeting held November 14th 2016 were approved and signed

4/Matters arising

None

5/Financial

No income

No expenditure

6/Planning

None

7/ Any other business

1/ Grass Cutting

Two quotations have been tendered to take on the village grass cutting. These will be reviewed in the next few weeks with one of the companies taken on to cut the grass.

The Parish Council would like to thank Terry Lawley for the great job he has done over the last few years.

Beryl Wilcox asked if the Parish Council would consider taking on the cutting of the grass around the Church in the future due to the diminishing Church Funds. Beryl explained that although they had someone cutting the area around the Church at the moment, it was coming more difficult to fund this to the level expected. The Parish Council will follow this up with the PCC and look into the cost involved.

2/Speed action B4425

Police have attended twice and conducted speed checks outside the Lodge & outside the Sherborne Arms. The highest speed recorded on those two occasions was 58mph. They will re-attend to conduct further speed checks at various points during the day.

Contact will be made with Richard Gray, Local highways manager, to arrange a site visit to discuss what the best type of speed deterrent would be for the village. This will hopefully be done before the next meeting.

3/ Parish Council Website

There is now a Parish Council tab on the village website www.aldsworthvillage.co.uk which shows minutes from previous meetings as well as contact details for the members of the Parish Council.

4/ Music Festival

The Parish Council has submitted an objection to the music festival being held 21st – 23rd July 2017. The objections raised include:

- Noise Pollution
 - Aldsworth is approximately ONE mile from the event and we know that the noise will easily travel this distance and disturb the residents. Permitting any licence for music after Midnight is totally unacceptable and would constitute a public nuisance.
- Traffic
 - Additional traffic leaving the event in the middle of the night will be disturbing to residents and therefore cause disruption.

The Parish Council also raised the following points:

- there has been **no consultation** with Aldsworth Parish Council about this event, or the effects this event will have on the Village or surrounding area.
- Aldsworth Parish Council are against any traffic being directed through Aldsworth, from any direction
 - The roads through Aldsworth are very narrow and are not suitable for a high volume of traffic

- What is the increase in traffic likely to be; during set up, on each day of the event and during breakdown afterwards?
- What is the expected attendance each day?
- The advertised traffic directions appear to be incorrect
- Aldsworth Parish Council would like to see a proper traffic management plan policy prior to the event being given any required licence (more detail than can currently be viewed on the event website)

The licensing meeting is being held on 23rd January at 10:00 hours. Those that have made an objection can attend but they will need to be notify the Licensing Committee 5 working days prior to the 23rd January. Aldsworth Parish council is also liasing with Northleach Parish Council as they too are concerned about the music event. They are hoping that both councils will be able to meet with the organier Gary Scot Paterson to discuss the concerns that have been raised.

8/Correspondence

None

9/Date of Next Meeting

The next Parish Council Meeting will be held 13th February at 1930 HOURS at THE VILLAGE HALL.