

**MINUTES OF AN ORDINARY MEETING OF ALDERMINSTER PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY 16TH NOVEMBER 2011 AT 7.30PM**

**PRESENT:** MR.M.MEADOWS (CHAIRMAN), MR.J.HUTCHINGS, MRS.M.MOODY, MRS.G.HUDSPITH, DR.M.EDWARDS (VICE CHAIRMAN), MR.A.JENKINS, MR.J.MELVILLE AND COUNTY/DISTRICT COUNCILLOR I.SECCOMBE.

1. **Apologies for absence.**
2. **Any items from Members of the Public present at the Meeting including those items on the agenda**  
(There is a time limit of 3 minutes allowed for each item)
3. **Declarations of Interests.**  
Members are asked to declare interests in items on the Agenda in accordance with the following provisions:  
(a) Statutory Model Code of Conduct for Parish Councils  
*(Note: Members are reminded that the Code of Conduct provides that should they have a prejudicial interest in any matter under discussion, then providing the matter is considered in public session, they are entitled, with the consent of the Chairman, to make representations and answer questions if members of the public are granted the same entitlement. Members must leave the room before the ensuing debate and vote and must not attempt to improperly influence a decision about that matter)*
4. **Acceptance of the minutes of the previous meeting** (September 2011)
5. **Matters Arising from the minutes of the previous meeting:**
  - (a) Housing Needs Survey  
The Clerk had received the report from Mr. Ward today and handed out copies to members. It was decided to invite Mr. Ward to the next Parish Council meeting to discuss the report and its implications with him.
  - (b) Milestones in the Parish  
Mr. HUTCHINGS reported that he had seen an old photograph which showed a milestone outside the premises of J.H.Thorp. He had made some enquiries as to its present whereabouts but these had drawn a blank. The CHAIRMAN reported that he had also discovered another stone on the Banbury Road near to Goldicote Lodge.
  - (c) Overgrown hedges  
A letter from the County Council surveyor was read to members in which he gave details of households he had written to about their overgrown hedges. The letter also confirmed it was the responsibility of the County Council to approach householders. Mr.JENKINS said that the hedge at the Old Rectory was overgrowing the pavement and should be reported.
  - (d) Diamond Jubilee Celebration 2012 update  
The CHAIRMAN was still investigating a suitable location for the Beacon.
  - (e) Planning contravention at Oak Tree Farm reported  
Following on from the last meeting the Clerk had reported the contravention and it was being investigated by the Planning Enforcement officer.
6. **Any matters from the District Councillor or County Councillor.**  
Councillor Seccombe reported that the Localism Bill had just received Royal Assent. However she now had to find out what it would mean for Parishes before its implementation next year. She reported on the Health and Wellbeing Boards which would be in force by

March 2012 and said there would be some advantages and some disadvantages. She also gave members details on the progress with the new proposed Medical Facility at Shipston on Stour.

**7. To receive any new planning applications**

(a) 11/02385/FUL - Farthings, New Road - extension to existing property.

Members discussed this application and were unanimously opposed to it due to its size and position, which, if granted would make it cause unacceptable harm to the neighbouring property and the character of the local environment. The Clerk would arrange for a suitable reply.

(b) 11/02391/FUL - Churchill Cottage - retrospective planning for extension to garden

Members discussed this application and were unanimously in favour of not raising any opposition. The Clerk would arrange for a suitable reply

(c) 11/02155/FUL - The Limes, C72 - Detached garage with 3 dormer windows and use above as ancillary accommodation (retrospective application) - this application had been circulated to members who had raised no objection. The Clerk had arranged a suitable reply.

**8. To receive any results of planning applications**

(a) 11/02155/FUL - The Limes, C72 - Detached garage with 3 dormer windows and use above as ancillary accommodation (retrospective application) - GRANTED

**9. To receive any correspondence**

(a) WRHA annual report was noted

(b) Boundary Commission Review was noted

(c) Briefing and Training events by Training Partnership were noted

(d) County Service to Celebrate Her Majesty's Diamond Jubilee 2.30pm 12th February 2012 at Warwick followed by reception was noted.

(e) Request for financial support for First Responder Scheme

The Clerk had received a request from the Chairman of the Scheme asking for some financial support for the purchase of an 'ambulance' for use by his members. It was to be provided by the Ambulance Service at a cost of £1000. It was needed to improve communication for the first responders who had problems with mobile phone signals.

After a short discussion it was agreed that a member of the Scheme should be invited to a Parish Council meeting to explain how the scheme would be run.

**10. Passing of any accounts for payment**

(a) Clerk's Salary September and October £\*\*\* (Direct Payment)

(b) HMRC Income Tax Payments £\*\*\* (Direct Payment)

(c) Bryan Gerrard - cut grass at side of Church - 4 months £350

**11. Closure of meeting**

Dates of Next Meetings - Wednesdays

2012 (Provisional dates)

18<sup>th</sup> January 2012

14<sup>th</sup> March 2012 (6.45pm) followed by Annual Assembly (8pm)

16<sup>th</sup> May 2012 (AGM)

11<sup>th</sup> July 2012

12<sup>th</sup> September 2012

14<sup>th</sup> November 2012

There being no further business the CHAIRMAN closed the meeting at 9pm.

