

Alderminster Parish Council
Minutes for
Ordinary meeting of the Parish Council
Held on
Monday 13th November 2023
Alderminster Village Hall 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr John Melville
Cllr Mark Meadows
Cllr David Curtis
Mrs L Callow (Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer)

Also present: six members of the public

1	<p>Cllr David Curtis agreed to chair the meeting.</p> <p>Apologies: None received</p>
2	<p>Declaration of interests: none received.</p>
3	<p>Questions from the public: wording of item 7 on Agenda was questioned, Cllr Melville explained the meaning of item 7 and clerk made apologies for incorrect wording. Item 14 was questioned as to why it wasn't being decided at this meeting. It was explained that supporting documents would need to be presented to the Parish Council when we reached item 14 and only then could we add it to our January Agenda for a decision to be made. Missing minutes for July 2023 were mentioned, clerk will upload these over the next few days and make sure all other minutes are uploaded, as due to the website not always working correctly, they don't always save/stay uploaded. The old stour mentioned the S106 agreement and asked why we as a Parish wouldn't do anything. Cllr Curtis informed everyone present that the Parish has no power over this as it is between SDC and the Developers. Cllr Curtis has offered to support this and attend any meetings but acting as district Councillor not Parish councillor. Cllr Curtis will try and contact Cllr Dominic Skinner and John Careford about this matter, but he will do so acting as District Councillor not on behalf of the Parish Council. Some work was done on the culvert on 4th September 23. Someone came and dug up on the opposite side of the road by the corner and the Parish council were asked if they knew who this was/what they were doing. The Parish council were unaware of this work being carried out, so Cllr Meadows has agreed to draft an email to Cllr Izzy Seccombe asking for this information.</p>
4	<p>Minutes of the previous meetings:</p> <p>The minutes from the meeting of the 11th September 2023 were unanimously agreed as an accurate record and were signed by the acting Chairman.</p>
5	<p>Draft Precept:</p> <p>All Councillors happy with the current figures totalling £12839. This will be updated and agreed at January agenda.</p>

6	<p>Replacement of Defibrillator situated at The Bell Pub: Clerk will speak to The Bell Pub to ask if they will contribute towards the cost, if not the Parish council will cover cost up to £1200.</p>
7	<p>Village Voices Grant: Councillors discussed and agreed to pay the grant of £100.</p>
8	<p>Garden plots: Councillors considered the offer and extra information made by Stratford District Council to transfer ownership of the garden plots behind Scrapers' Row at a nominal cost. Councillors Agreed to decline the offer.</p>
9	<p>Councillors' reports: Cllr David gave update on the railings on the old road.</p>
10	<p>District and County Councillors' reports: none received.</p>
11	<p>Planning applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) 23/02587/FUL 14 Sutcliffe Avenue, Alderminster, Two storey side extension with single storey rear extension and associated driveway access adjustments – All agreed NO REPRESENTATION ii) 23/02694/VARY Crimscote Fields Farm, Crimscote Lane, Crimscote, Variation of conditions 3 - Drainage and 28 -Fire Safety of planning permission 21/02017/FUL dated 29/11/2022 (Erection of a ground mounted solar farm, associated works and ancillary infrastructure, including battery storage containers, telecoms mast, access tracks, inverter units, customer cabin, underground cables and grid connection substation.) - All agreed NO REPRESENTATION
12	<p>Accounts for payment and finance matters: The following payments were approved and authorised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> i) Parish Online – £60.00 ii) Clerk's Salary (September) - £** iii) HMRC (income tax) - £** iv) Clearview window cleaning (bus stops x 3) - £100.00 v) Laura Callow (reimbursed for Purchase of Parish Council Laptop) - £469.00 vi) Timsbury Clocks (Maintenance of church clock) - £220.00 vii) HSBC (bank charges) - £8.00 viii) Clerk's salary (October) - £** ix) HMRC (income tax) - £** x) New Clerk's salary (October)- £** xi) Grant to Alderminster PCC - £4000 xii) HSBC(bank charges) - £8.00
	<p>The acting Chairman signed the supporting documentation.</p>
13	<p>Correspondence: none received.</p>
14	<p>Items for future agenda: Information to support the Grant application from Alderminster History Society was received. This will be put onto January Agenda for a decision.</p>

	<p>The meeting closed at 8.33pm.</p> <p>Next meeting 15th January 2024</p>	
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