

## Alderminster Parish Council

### Ordinary meeting of the Parish Council

Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> September 2022

Alderminster Village Hall 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr Mark Meadows

Cllr John Melville

Cllr Chris Mason-Bailey

Cllr Lesley Casley

Cllr David Curtis

Mrs M Norman (Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer)

Also present: Cllr Penny-Anne O'Donnell

	<p>Cllr Chris Mason-Bailey agreed to chair the meeting.</p>	
1	<p><b>Apologies:</b> Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Karen Jones and Cllr Izzi Seccombe.</p>	
2	<p><b>Declaration of interests:</b> Cllr Mark Meadows declared an interest in respect of item 5.</p>	
3	<p><b>Questions from the public:</b> There were no questions from the public.</p>	
4	<p><b>Minutes of the previous meetings:</b> The minutes of the meeting on the 27<sup>th</sup> July 2022 were agreed as an accurate record and were signed by the acting Chairman.</p>	
5	<p><b>Rural Housing Needs Survey site investigation:</b> The results of the site investigation carried out by the Rural Housing Needs Enabler had identified two possible sites in the village which may be suitable for a small housing development. It was agreed that the Housing Needs Enabler should be asked to contact the relevant landowners to see if they would be prepared to discuss the possibility of selling their land for housing.</p>	
6	<p><b>SAAA Opt-out:</b> After discussion it was agreed that the Council would remain within the Smaller Authority Auditor Appointment scheme and would not be interested in appointing its own external auditor.</p>	
7	<p><b>Churchill Fellowships Rural Communities:</b> This item was deferred until the next meeting.</p>	

8	<p><b>Councillors' reports:</b> There were no reports to be made.</p>	
9	<p><b>District and County Councillors' reports:</b> Cllr O'Donnell reported that the 123 waste disposal scheme was working well. The contents of the green food caddies were being disposed of at an anaerobic digester in Coleshill which to date had generated sufficient power to heat 1,000 homes. The minor injuries unit at Stratford Hospital was now open at weekends. There was an urgent need for more hospital beds in the local community especially for the elderly. More CCTV cameras were being commissioned in the district. Rural thefts have greatly diminished since the introduction of trackers. Cllr Whalley-Hoggins had agreed to replace Cllr O'Donnell as chair of the meeting with residents of The Old Stour.</p>	
10	<p><b>Clerk's updates:</b> The clerk reported that she had obtained an estimate for cleaning of the bus shelters. These had been priced at £75.00 for each of the larger bus shelters and £60.00 for the smaller one. If a regular cleaning programme was to be carried out, the price would be cheaper. Cllr Meadows agreed to check the condition of the grit bins. The survey of the culvert had taken place the previous day. The clerk would forward copies of the report as soon as she received it.</p>	
11	<p><b>Planning applications:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) 22/02213/FUL 30 Old Road: proposed single storey rear extension, new first floor bathroom window at rear and ground floor toilet window at side elevation. No representation was made to this application.</li> </ul> <p>And to note the results of the following planning applications:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) 22/12213/FUL Old Road: permission <b>granted</b> for single storey rear extension, new first floor bathroom window at rear and ground floor toilet window at side elevation.</li> <li>ii) 22/02095/FUL Old Worcester House: permission <b>refused</b> for proposed carport.</li> <li>iii) 22/01356/FUL Orchard House: permission <b>granted</b> for construction of a single storey side and rear extension, a two storey side extension and garage.</li> </ul>	
12	<p><b>Accounts for payment and finance matters:</b> The following payments were approved and authorised:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) Kate Tetlow (defibrillator equipment) - £124.73</li> <li>ii) Clerk's salary (July) - £**</li> <li>iii) HMRC (income tax) - £**</li> <li>iv) HSBC (bank charges) - £8.00</li> <li>v) Village Voices (grant) - £100.00</li> <li>vi) Clerk's salary (August) - £**</li> <li>vii) HMRC (income tax) - £**</li> <li>viii) Village Hall Committee (plaque) - £144.</li> </ul> <p>The acting Chairman signed the supporting documentation.</p>	

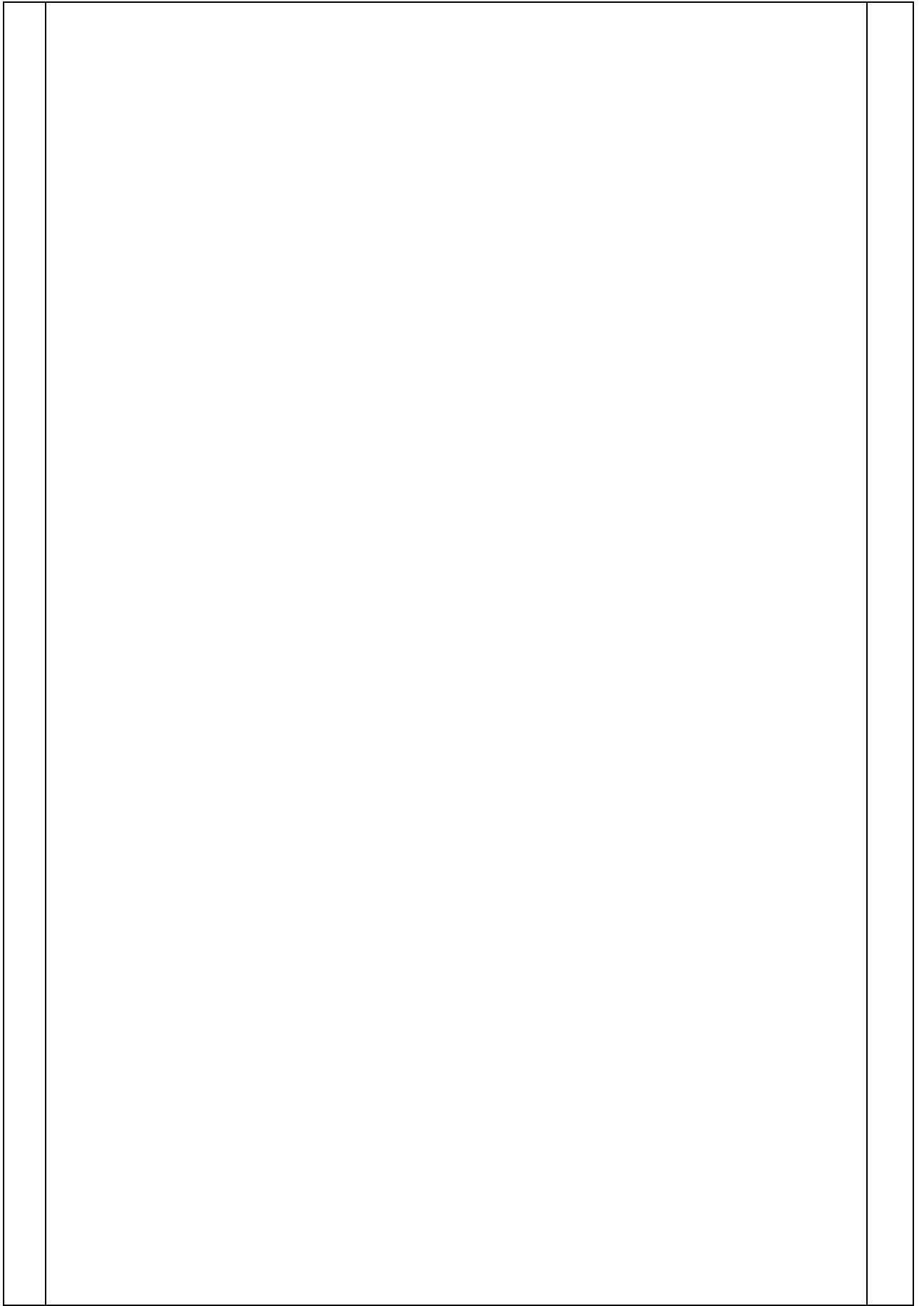
13 **Correspondence**

Email from resident suggesting contacting [www.actonenergy](http://www.actonenergy) regarding a possible presentation on energy saving measures.

14 **Councillors' reports and items for future agenda:**

The Council agreed to contact actonenergy with a view to organising a presentation in November. Other villages would be asked if they wanted to participate.

The meeting closed at 8.50 pm.



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