

## Alderminster Parish Council

### Ordinary meeting of the Parish Council

Wednesday 18<sup>th</sup> January 2023  
Alderminster Village Hall 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr Chris Mason-Bailey

Cllr John Melville

Cllr Mark Meadows

Cllr Lesley Casley

Cllr David Curtis

Cllr Karen Jones

Mrs M Norman (Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer)

Also present: eight members of the public

	<p>Cllr Chris Mason-Bailey agreed to chair the meeting.</p> <p>Cllr Meadows informed the Council of the sad death of Dr Mary Edwards, a former member of the Parish Council.</p>	
1	<p><b>Apologies:</b> Apologies for absence were received from Cllr Izzi Seccombe and Cllr Penny-Anne O'Donnell.</p>	
2	<p><b>Declaration of interests:</b> There were no declarations of interest.</p>	
3	<p><b>Questions from the public:</b> A resident asked whether there had been any response from Warwickshire County Council to the request that it replaces the culvert along the length for which it is responsible. The clerk said she had just received notification from the County Council that they intended to conduct their own survey of the culvert.</p>	
4	<p><b>Minutes of the previous meetings:</b> It was agreed to amend item 9 of the minutes of the 16<sup>th</sup> November 2022 to read "to donate the sum of £120 for Tea &amp; Chat at the Village Hall." The minutes were then unanimously approved.</p>	
5	<p><b>Grant application:</b> It was agreed to grant the sum of £330 towards the lighting costs of the church clock.</p>	
6	<p><b>Precept:</b> After discussion it was agreed to request the sum of £11,738 as precept for the year 2023-2024.</p>	

7	<p><b>South Warwickshire Local Plan Issues and Options consultation:</b> It was agreed to defer consideration of this till a later date. If necessary, an extraordinary meeting would be called to formulate the Council's response.</p>	
8	<p><b>Councillors' reports:</b> The Council sent its best wishes to Cllr Seccombe. Cllr O'Donnell had invited councillors to attend a zoom meeting as she had been unable to attend the meeting in person. Councillors accepted the invitation and the clerk was asked to set a date with Cllr O'Donnell. Cllr Jones also mentioned the flooding on the bridlepath at the top of New Road. Cllr Curtis asked that WCC be notified again about the railings on the old main road as he believed that some of them were now in a dangerous position.</p>	
9	<p><b>District and County Councillors' reports:</b> There were no reports to be made.</p>	
10	<p><b>Clerk's updates:</b> <b>Culvert:</b> the clerk had been told that WCC would conduct its own survey of the culvert and would then decide what could be done. They were reluctant to instal a new culvert because of the costs involved and because of their belief that "a lot of the issues involving the culvert occurred on privately owned land." The clerk was asked to request a copy of the survey from WCC. <b>Flooding on bridleway:</b> the clerk had been informed that maintenance of the bridleway was the responsibility of the Footpaths Team at Warwickshire County Council, but that responsibility for clearing the ditch belonged to the landowner. <b>Elections:</b> the clerk would collect the nomination packs for Councillors from Elizabeth House. All electors wishing to vote in future elections need to have photographic ID. Anyone without this form of ID can either apply for a Certificate of Voting Authority from the gov.uk website, or go into the Council offices in Stratford where staff will take the applicant's photograph and assist in obtaining a certificate. <b>Electoral boundaries change:</b> Alderminster was now in Quinton ward. It was agreed to invite Cllr Edward Fitter, the current District Councillor for the Quinton ward, to attend the next meeting of the Parish Council. <b>Defibrillator battery:</b> the defibrillator battery had been stolen. It was agreed that the police should be notified. <b>Milestones:</b> three new milestones had now been placed in the parish.</p>	
11	<p><b>Planning applications:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>i) 22/03370/FUL Hill Farm, Alderminster: change of use of agricultural land to domestic garden and conversion of agricultural barn into a dwelling, including provision of a detached garage and associated development. No representation was made to this application.</li> <li>ii) 22/03492/FUL Holly Barn, Goldicote: double storey extension to front of existing dwelling with two bay carport adjacent. Construction of remotely located four bay garage with roof over. It was resolved to make no representation with regards to this application.</li> <li>iii) 22/03650/FUL Sunnydale, New Road, Alderminster: single storey extension to rear and side, new porch and bay window to front and external alterations. No representation was made to this application.</li> </ul>	

And to note the results of the following planning applications:

- i) 21/02017/FUL land at Crimscode: permission granted for ground mounted solar farm, associated works and ancillary infrastructure.

12 **Accounts for payment and finance matters:**

The following payments were approved and authorised:

- i) Bryan Gerrard (grass maintenance) - £410.00
- ii) Clerk's salary (November) - £\*\*
- iii) HMRC (income tax) - £\*\*
- iv) HSBC (bank charges) - £8.00
- v) Maria Norman (heating of hall) - £10.00
- vi) Village Voices (grant) - £100.00
- vii) Village Hall (tea & chat) - £120.00
- viii) Maria Norman (heating of hall) - £10.00
- ix) HSBC (bank charges) - £8.00
- x) Clerk's salary (December) - £\*\*
- xi) HMRC (income tax) - £\*\*
- xii) Kate Tetlow (replacement defibrillator battery) - £112.79

The acting Chairman signed the supporting documentation.

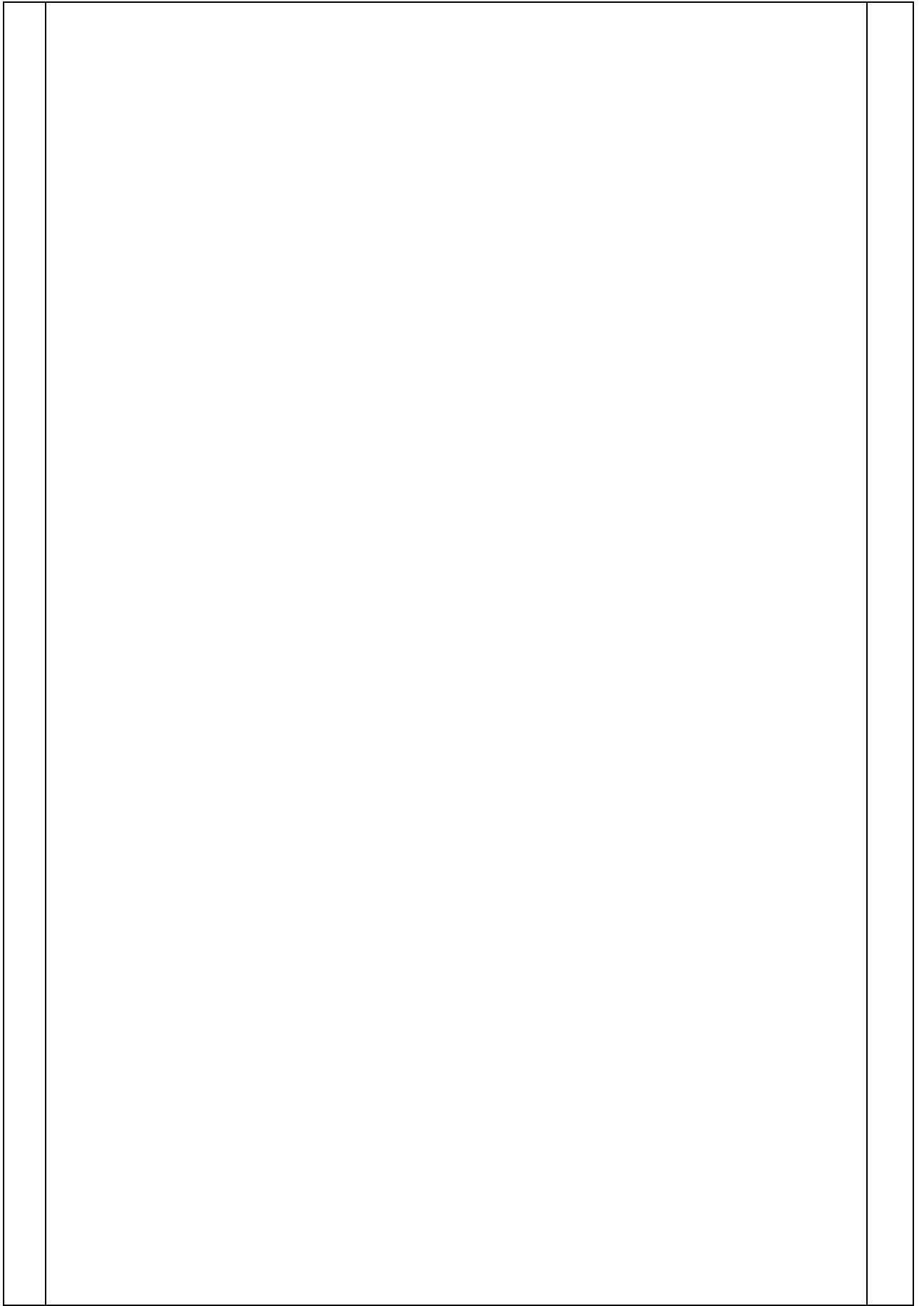
13 **Correspondence:**

Thanks had been received from Village Voices for the grant. Thanks had also been received from the Milestone Society for the Council's contribution towards the cost of reinstating the village milestones.

14 **Items for future agenda:**

Consultation response on the South Warwickshire Local Plan.

The meeting closed at 8.42 pm.



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