**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, ASTON CANTLOW ON 10th NOVEMBER 2022 AT 7.00 pm NO. 123**

1. **Present:**

Cllr Forman, Chairman, Cllr Evans, Cllr Holmes, Cllr Peacey, County Cllr. Kerridge and two members of the public.

**2. Apologies:**

Cllr. Haycock and Cllr. Nicholson – both approved.

**3. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda:**

No declarations were received.

**4. Public participation:**

The two members of the public were attending in connection with agenda item 6, Community Speedwatch.

**5. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 29th September 2022:**

These were approved and signed by the Chairman.

**6. Community Speedwatch:**

Mrs. Flood and Mrs Walker provided statistics indicating that a number of vehicles are still exceeding the 30mph speed limit on the B4089 and asking what the Parish Council might be able to do about it. Cllr. Forman explained that the Parish Council has no authority over traffic speeds or signage. Speeding is a police issue and signage is for County Council Highways to consider.

County Cllr Kerridge suggested that contact is made with our Localities Officer, Mr White, and Mr. Stanley, County Highways, to enquire what may be available to assist with traffic calming.

**7. County & District Councillors reports**:

County Cllr. Kerridge had sent an explanation prior to the meeting in response to Cllr. Evans’ enquiry about the removal of vehicle activated signs once they cease to work.

The main points being:

**they have not brought about a reduction in personal injury collisions** when comparing data before installation with data after installation, and **they are in locations where the collision history in the last five years is low.**

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**At the time that these signs stop working, they would be scheduled for removal. However, the new policy allows for local communities who may wish to retain the VAS to do so**.

Regarding other types of signs..... we don't install signs that flash up actual speeds in Warwickshire only the type which flash up reminders of the road speed limit or hazard warnings, such as junctions or bends.

Cllr Kerridge if anyone wishes to volunteer as a host for Ukranian refugees to please register with Warwickshire County Council. Cllr Kerridge would be happy to discuss this beforehand.

District Cllr Forman reported that the waste collections are now considerably improved, the Greig Hall is mostly finished, some events have taken place, and the official opening will be in February next year.

**8.** **Planning matters:**

Application No. 21/01370/FUL The Olde Barn – Change of use.

Permission granted on 7th November 2022. 22/0137l/LBC for The Olde Barn was not required.

Application No. 21/03745/FUL Rough Hills Farm. A re-consultation response has been received by SDC from the Agricultural Consultant and this needs to be considered before a decision is made.

**9. Draft Precept:**

To be considered by all Councillors and final agreement to be reached at the January meeting.

**10. Bank Mandate update:**

All new members agreed to be signatories. The Clerk has

requested a blank document from HSBC due to difficulties

processing a form online.

**11. Other items of business for consideration at the next meeting:**

Traffic Calming

Community Crime

Consider what funds are available for grants and how they are

spent.

**12. Election of new Chairman:**

Cllr Forman was intending to stand down at this point but, as we

did not have all new Councillors present she kindly offered to

continue until a meeting could be arranged with a full compliment.

The offer was accepted and very much appreciated.

The Clerk will arrange an extraordinary meeting as soon as

possible.

**Date of next scheduled meeting:**

19th January 2023 at 7.00pm in the village hall.

No further business, meeting closed at 7.45 pm