**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**

**HELD AT THE GUILD HALL, ASTON CANTLOW**

**ON THURSDAY 14th MARCH 2019 – NO. 105.**

1. **Record of Members Present:**

Cllr Harvey, Chairman, Cllr. Wallis, Cllr. Berry, Cllr. FitzGibbon, Cllr. Mainwaring and six members of the public.

Part Meeting: County Cllr. Rickhards.

**2. Apologies:**

There were no apologies.

**3. Written requests for dispensation of Disclosable Pecuniary/Non-pecuniary Interests where that interest is not already in the register of members’ interests:**

No requests had been received.

**4. Minutes of the ordinary Parish Council meeting held on 14th**

**February 2019.**

These were approved by all Cllrs. and signed by Cllr. Berry who was acting Chairman for that meeting.

**5.** **Public Participation:**

Mr. Green and Mr. Harris expressed their concerns again about the condition of the U road now that the ground is wet and asked if there was any progress regarding a temporary closure. Cllr. Rickhards confirmed that he has put in a request although no response has been received as yet. He will make contact with Richard Barnard who is the Rights of Way Officer with authority to make footpath closures.

Cllr Rickhards had spoken to Ms Borman and there is currently nothing to report on the U road. Cllr Harvey asked whether Ms Borman had made mention of the consultation document that was supposedly going to be distributed and Cllr. Rickhards said he will follow that up.

Mr. Green also asked whether we have heard anything more about the issues with the AL 86 and possible modifications made by the owner of Apple Barn. We have received no further information.

Mr Harris was thanked for his prompt response in removing a tree that appeared to be in danger of falling down adjacent to the Newnham turn.

Mrs. Dean had previously provided copies of notifications received from residents in Sunnyside advising that a new planning application has been submitted for land adjacent to No. 1 Sunnyside. As no consultation document had been received by the Parish Council the Clerk made enquiries with SDC to be advised that an application had been submitted but was currently invalid. As soon as the information they are awaiting is received and the application made valid formal consultations will be sent out.

Cllr. Gillian Forman attended the meeting to introduce herself as a Candidate for the upcoming election of a District Cllr. for Kinwarton.

The Clerk had been advised that Cllr. Gittus is standing down.

Reports were made by Mr. Padbury and Cllr. Berry about missing black & white marker posts alongside the ditch in Brook Road and the verge by the bridge in Little Alne. Cllr. Rickhards will ask John Brown to replace them. Ms Edkins also mentioned the pothole in Wilmcote Lane that has been reported previously. Cllr. Rickhards will remind Mr. Brown about that as well.

**6**. **County and District Cllrs. reports for information only.**

Apart from items County Cllr. Rickhards had mentioned above he went on to say he had heard from the Traffic & Road Safety Engineer that the proposal for speed limit change through Little Alne are being prepared for the formal consultation. He had been given a plan indicating that the whole of the area that is currently 40mph is being considered for a reduction to 30mph. It is hoped that this will be completed this year.

Cllr. Rickhards also advised that there is Temporary Closure of C100 Wood Lane, Aston Cantlow 29th and 30th March 2019 for surface patching.

No District Council report was available.

**7. Planning matters – update on current planning applications:**

*18/02874/FUL and 18/02875/LBC Shelfield Park Farm, Burford Lane, Shelfield:* Proposed conversion of existing garage to habitable space, replacement doors and windows and minor alterations. Pending consideration.

*18/03797/FUL and 18/03798/LBC The Cart Hovel, Glebe Farm, Aston Cantlow:* Retention of roof lights and satellite dish together with minor internal alterations to enable use of loft space as additional residential accommodation. Withdrawn from committee pending additional information on the roof trusses.

*19/00179/FUL and 19/00180/LBC* The Retreat, 25 Bearley Road, Aston Cantlow: Proposed altered garden wall and changes to the fenestration. Permission granted.

Land adjacent to No. 1 Sunnyside: Neighbours have been notified of a new application for this site. Confirmation was received from a planning officer that this application has not yet been validated and no consultations have been sent out.

The following application was then considered

18/03682/LBC Thimble Cottage, 30 Bearley Road, Aston Cantlow:

Replacement of defective roof tiles with tiles to match existing, repointing of chimney and front elevation using mortar to match the existing, demolition and reconstruction of external wall to bathroom reusing the same bricks, relocation of partition separating kitchen and bathroom, replacement of existing single glazed windows with secondary glazing for solid wood framed double-glazed windows, relocation of window opening to lean-to extension side elevation, installation of chemical damp proof course to external and internal walls.

Having considered this application Cllr. Harvey felt that providing the works are carried out as specified, she would have no objections and recommends grant. Cllr. Berry seconded the proposal and all Cllrs. were in agreement.

**8. Progress Report for information only:**

Brook Road ditch: The contractor had been in touch with the Clerk and recommended that in future the ditch should be cleared every two years. To attend to it properly it had involved cutting the hedge as well which hadn’t been expected and took virtually two days to complete. However, he will kindly honour his original quote.

Mill Lane sewerage issues: The Clerk had contacted Severn Trent but no update was available.

Traffic through Little Alne: An update on this was reported on by Cllr. Rickhards. Cllr.FitzGibbon and the Clerk had also received a similar update from Mr. Salter, WCC.

Tree bough in Little Alne ditch: Cllr. Harvey is arranging for this to be removed as soon as the weather improves.

**9. Correspondence:**

- Mobile Library Service offering Aston Cantlow as a possible place

for them to visit. It was agreed that this could be a welcome service to the

village and the Clerk will enquire if it would be possible for the van to park

on the social club car parking area, or if not the village hall car park.

- Enquiry from Cllr. Horner as to whether Parishes would like

additional roads gritted, at their cost. It was agreed that until an idea of

cost was provided nothing could be considered. The Clerk had already

been in touch with Cllr. Horner who is looking into this.

- Playground: On behalf of the Village Hall Trustees, Ms. Edkins sent a

message thanking the Parish Council for the donation of two pieces of

adult/juvenile fitness equipment now installed in the playground. Ms.

Edkins did also ask for mention to be made that they are looking for new

members for the committee if anyone knows of someone who may be

interested.

**10. Parish Council Elections:**

Date of election 2nd May 2019. The Clerk had been provided with nomination packs and these were available and handed out at the meeting. Completed forms are to be returned to the Clerk by the 26th March for checking prior to passing them to the District Council before 4.00 p.m on 3rd April.

**11. WRCC Housing Needs Survey:**

A vote was taken for a decision on whether the Parish Council would go ahead with the housing survey supported by WRCC.

Cllrs. Harvey, Berry and Wallis were in favour, Cllr. Mainwaring was against and Cllr. FitzGibbon abstained.

The majority vote is to proceed and Cllr. Harvey asked Cllrs. to let her have their suggestions for personalising the model letter in the next two weeks for her to collate.

**12. Councillor’s reports and items for the agenda for the next meeting:**

Nothing was specified.

**13. Date of next meeting:** 11th April 2019. Annual Parish Meeting followed by ordinary Parish Council meeting.

No further business – Cllr. Harvey closed the meeting at 9.10 p.m.

For information only.

The following payments were made between meetings:

FreshairFitness (Balance of payment) £ 1,755.52 BACS

Aston Cantlow Village Hall (1132) 13.00 BACS

Aston Cantlow Village Hall (1148) 13.00 BACS