



ALDERLEY EDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting Held on Monday 11th April 2016

Present: Cllr G Hall (Chairman), Cllrs C Browne, M Dudley-Jones, M Garbett, I Higham, C Munro, R Norbury and M Taylorson.

Clerk: A Ross

Hall Manager

4 members of the public, 3 members of the Alderley Edge Partnership

1 member of the press

Meeting

Commenced: 7:30pm

1. Apologies for Absence.

Cllr R Grantham.

2. To receive Declarations of interest and requests for dispensation to discuss, or discuss and vote on a matter in which a Member or co-opted Member has a Disclosable Pecuniary interest (DPI).

Cllrs M Dudley-Jones, R Norbury and M Taylorson declared an interest in item 9

Cllrs I Higham, C Munro and R Norbury declared an interest in item 21.

3. Public Participation – A period of not more than twenty minutes will be made available for the public to ask questions or submit comments.

None

4. Presentation by Alderley Edge Partnership.

The members of the partnership spoke about their three main objectives which were:

Events, community projects and ideas about providing support to people in the community.

They thanked the council for the chance to share ideas, presented a summary of their work to date/some of their ideas going forward and asked the Parish Council for formal recognition of the group.

5. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 14th March 2016.

Approval proposed by Councillor M Dudley-Jones seconded by Councillor I Higham and carried.

6. To ratify the General Purposes meeting of 14th March 2016.

Approval proposed by Councillor R Norbury seconded by Councillor M Garbett and carried.

7. To ratify the Plans Committee minutes of 14th March 2016.

Approval proposed by Councillor M Garbett seconded by Councillor R Norbury and carried.

8. To receive a report from the Clerk.

Noted.

The Clerk will confirm the time of the Bollington Mayor Making Reception with Cllr Brown. Cllr Hall confirmed he was unable to attend.

Cllr Browne confirmed he will be attending the consultation on the Draft Cheshire East Residential Design Guide SPD on Wednesday 20th April. Cllr Dudley-Jones will also try to attend.

9. Resolution: To agree new tenancy agreements with AEAGS.

This item was deferred to the May meeting as the Parish Council are still waiting to receive the final leases from the council's solicitor.

10. Resolution: To open a new bank account to deal with the facilities management income and expenditure.

Cllr Hall clarified that this resolution was only to approve the opening of a new bank account and the proposal of how the facilities management would be run within that would come back to council as a separate item for approval. Cllr Browne agreed to look into suitable bank accounts.

Cllr Browne proposed, Cllr Taylorson seconded and all were agreed.

RESOLVED: unanimously

11. Resolution: To approve the signing of a Lift sub-contractor collateral warranty between Leeds Lifts Ltd, Alderley Edge Parish Council and PE Jones Contracts (Manchester) Ltd.

Cllr Norbury proposed, Cllr Dudley-Jones seconded and all were agreed.

RESOLVED: unanimously

12. Resolution: To approve the signing of a collateral warranty to be given in favour of Alderley Edge Parish Council by The Associates Building Services Consulting Engineers Ltd t/a TACE.

Cllr Norbury proposed, Cllr Taylorson seconded and all were agreed.

RESOLVED: unanimously

13. Resolution: To approve the signing of a collateral warranty to be given in favour of Alderley Edge Parish Council by JM Architects Ltd.

Cllr Norbury proposed, Cllr Taylorson seconded and all were agreed.

RESOLVED: unanimously

14. Resolution: To approve the expenditure of up to £5000 to improve the acoustics of the Festival Hall using money raised by the Advisory Committee appeal fund.

Cllr Hall explained the expenditure was needed to improve the acoustics for the Music Festival and outlined the options available.

Cllr Taylorson proposed, Cllr Dudley-Jones seconded and all were agreed.

RESOLVED: unanimously

15. To receive a status report on the Medical Centre from the chairman.

Cllr Hall read a report confirming the Medical Centre has achieved Practical Completion and summarising the latest news regarding the 2nd floor and Festival Hall. (report attached)

16. To approve Section 1 (Annual governance statement 2015/16) of the Annual Return for the year ended 31st March 2016.

Approval proposed by Councillor M Garbett seconded by Councillor C Browne and carried.

17. To approve Section 2 (Accounting Statements) of the Annual Return for the year ended 31st March 2016.

Approval proposed by Councillor Dudley-Jones seconded by Councillor M Garbett and carried.

18. To formally express interest in the following proposed asset transfers from CEC to AEPC:

South Street car park
Ryleys Lane car park
Chorley Hall Lane Playing Field (part)

Cllr Hall asked for the minutes to record that he believes any asset transfers need to be very carefully thought through with a plan as to how they will be managed, what the potential risks are and how those risks are managed before any commitment is made. He is still happy, however, to support the request to formally express interest.

Cllr Browne proposed, Cllr Taylorson seconded and all were agreed.

RESOLVED: unanimously

19. To prepare and submit pre-applications for planning in respect of the following car park proposals:

Heyes Lane Allotments
Ryleys Lane car park
Chorley Hall Lane Playing Field (part)

Cllr Browne clarified the proposal is to prepare and submit outline applications. The reason behind the proposal is to provide CEC planning with something concrete to work with to address any issues before moving forward with a full application. It is likely that all 3 applications would contravene the National Planning Policy Framework (NPPF) as well as CEC policy on public open space. The Parish Council would need to consider appropriate mitigation measures, as in how and where better quality open space can be provided. The cost of each outline application is £192.50.

Cllr Browne proposed, Cllr Taylorson seconded and all were agreed.

RESOLVED: unanimously

20. Neighbourhood Plan presentation.

Cllr Munro provided a written report (copy attached) outlining the objectives, costs and immediate actions required if the Parish Council agreed to go ahead with the plan. There was a discussion about the potential benefits, costs and workload. After discussion all were agreed that the Parish Council should move forward with the plan and asked Cllr Munro to go forward and submit the appropriate form to CEC.

Cllr Browne proposed, Cllr Taylorson seconded and all were agreed.

21. To discuss the proposal received from the Makers Market.

There was a discussion about the proposal. The Parish Council confirmed that it would ultimately be a CEC decision regarding the road closure but raised concerns about the traffic implications and impact on local businesses. It was agreed that the Makers Market would be asked to look at alternative locations for the market.

22. Reports from Councillors.

Cllr Brown reported that the recommendations from the S106 task group go before cabinet on 12th April for consideration. He reported that highways are doing an assessment with a view to providing a zebra crossing at Ryleys Lane. He also gave an update on the Local Highways partnership. He has asked CEC about locating the cycle rack roof (which was originally intended for the front of the Medical Centre) to South St car park. Although they have no objection in principle, CEC has stated that the Parish Council would have to agree to maintain and repair it. He will be doing work on the flower beds in the park on Saturday at 3pm and is looking for volunteers. He also reported that the CEC Mayor Making Ceremony is on Wednesday 11th May at 11am in Tatton Park and he has a guest ticket if anyone would like to attend. Cllr Dudley-Jones reported that the Youth Parish Council is coming together and he would like to get them involved in plans for the park.

Meeting Closed: 9:16pm

ACTION SUMMARY

Undertaken By	Detail	When For
Clr Browne	Look into suitable bank accounts	As soon as practical

Councillor G Hall
CHAIRMAN