



ALDERLEY EDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 8th December 2014

Present: Cllr MH Williamson (Chairman), Cllrs MJ Connor, F Keegan, S Joseph and N Schofield

In attendance: 5 members of the public
1 member of the press
Clerk: A. Ross

Meeting

Commenced: 7:30pm

PART 1

1. Apologies for Absence.

Cllrs JD Bergin, DG Herald, MD Lloyd and MW Maczkowiak

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).

None

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

Mr Hall spoke on behalf of the May Fair committee about the letter from the Parish Council refusing use of the path on Chorley Hall Lane for vehicular access to the May Fair event. He asked if the complaints received regarding its use were direct to the Parish Council or through a third party. He believes the decision was taken as a result of one disgruntled allotment holder. Cllr Williamson quoted from an email written by CEC stating that 'the entry and exit point for all vehicles will be through the main car park route from Ryleys Lane', Mr Hall asked for a copy of the email and stated that they had permission from Network Rail and CEC to use the route. Cllr Williamson asked to see copies of these.

Mr Simpson, Chairman of the Allotment Society reported that he had inspected the path for signs of deterioration and found no evidence of this or the alleged drainage problems on the allotments. He accused an allotment holder of causing problems because they have a personal grudge against Mrs Munro. Cllr Connor was unhappy that this accusation was made when the person in question was not there to defend themselves and the discussion was brought to a close.

4. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 10th November 2014.

Approval proposed by Councillor F Keegan, seconded by Councillor S Joseph and carried

5. To ratify the General Purposes Committee minutes of 10th November 2014.

Approval proposed by Councillor S Joseph, seconded by Councillor F Keegan and carried

6. To ratify the Plans Committee minutes of 10th November 2014.

Approval proposed by Councillor MH Williamson, seconded by Councillor MJ Connor and carried

7. To agree staff salaries and contracts.

This item will be considered in Part II of the meeting in the absence of any public/press representatives owing to the requirements of the Data Protection Act.

8. Notices and Correspondence.

- a) BEACON newsletter - noted
- b) Notification of removal of BT payphones - noted
- c) CEC – New funding for minibuses to community transport operators in rural and isolated areas – taken by Cllr Connor
- d) Town & Parish Council Conference Summary - noted
- e) Email from Lynne Nixon – Cllr Williamson has the email and will circulate to all councillors. It was in response to a resident’s complaint about blocked gullies causing flooding. It outlines the present CEC strategy for clearing them. The Parish Council was asked to report any areas that need attention.

Meeting Closed: 7:47pm

PART 11

This part of the meeting was held at the end of the evening, once the public and press representatives had left.

Meeting Commenced: 9.05pm

9. To discuss staff salaries.

The councillors discussed staff salaries and contracts.

Meeting Closed: 9.20pm

ACTION SUMMARY

Undertaken By	Detail	When For

**Councillor MH Williamson
CHAIRMAN**