



ALDERLEY EDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 13th October 2014

Present: Cllr MH Williamson (Chairman), Cllrs MJ Connor, DG Herald, F Keegan, S Joseph and MW Maczkowiak.

In attendance: 1 member of the press
8 members of the public
Hall Manager
PCSO
Clerk: A. Ross

Meeting

Commenced: 7:30pm

PART 1

1. Apologies for Absence.

Cllr JD Bergin, MD Lloyd and N Schofield

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 F Simpson raised concerns about a comment Cllr Keegan posted on alderleyedge.com insinuating that he was a class 2 drug user. He is worried recruitment agencies could find this comment and it could affect future job prospects. He asked for Cllr Keegan to have the comment removed and issue an apology.

Cllr Connor countered that the Parish Council could also ask for apologies regarding comments about them being in the payroll of PE Jones.

Cllr Williamson responded that the Parish Council will look into it and speak to Cllr Keegan. Mr Simpson asked the Clerk to minute that Cllr Keegan had also just called him a drama queen.

A Speedwatch volunteer gave an update on their activities. He reported that once a fortnight volunteers monitor the major roads for an hour and they have at times recorded between 60-80 vehicles travelling in excess of 35mph in that hour. The worst areas are going up Macclesfield Road and down Brook Lane. They then send their reports to the constabulary who issue warning letters to offenders. He was disappointed that the group never receive any feedback from the constabulary and is not convinced the letters are effective as they have recorded the same vehicles speeding a number of times. He believes the speed signs on some of the roads aren't clear enough and would benefit from a review. The group would like to continue but need to recruit more volunteers to make this possible.

Cllr Williamson responded that he will ask Sgt Miller for some feedback and Cllr Maczkowiak thanked the volunteers.

The Vice-Chairman of the Allotment Society gave an update on the petition to save Heyes Lane allotment site and handed over another 790 signatures. He also asked a series of questions (attached) which were handed to Cllr Williamson. Cllr Williamson responded that he would reply in writing to those questions.

4. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 8th September 2014.

Approval proposed by Councillor MJ Connor, seconded by Councillor F Keegan and carried

5. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 29th September 2014.

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

6. To ratify the General Purposes Committee minutes of 8th September 2014.

Approval proposed by Councillor MW Maczkowiak, seconded by Councillor S Joseph and carried

7. To ratify the Plans Committee minutes of 8th September 2014.

Approval proposed by Councillor S Joseph, seconded by Councillor MW Maczkowiak and carried

8. To ratify the Plans Committee minutes of 22nd September 2014.

Approval proposed by Councillor MW Maczkowiak, seconded by Councillor MH Williamson and carried

9. To confirm the latest Assessment of Risks and current level of Insurance Provision.

Approval proposed by Councillor MJ Connor, seconded by Councillor F Keegan and carried

10. To discuss staff salaries.

It was RESOLVED that:

In accordance with the requirements of the Data Protection Act, the public be excluded from the meeting for part two of the meeting on the grounds that the discussion will include personal details.

11. Notices and Correspondence.

- a) Email proposal for a 10K running event in the village – after discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council would meet with him to discuss the proposal further. The Clerk will invite him to one of the Parish Council meetings.
- b) Invitation to Community Resilience and Flood Response Workshop on 19th November – noted, in the office if anyone wants to attend.
- c) Cheshire Playing Fields Association AGM on 23rd October - noted
- d) Invitation to Mobberley Parish Council Civic Service on 19th October – Cllr Williamson will check his diary to see if he can attend.
- e) Letter from Cheshire East regarding Local Plan Examination noted.
- f) Email from trader regarding a market on George Street – Cllr Williamson will speak with the Town Centre Manager about this.
- g) Town & Parish Council Conference Tuesday 11th November – The Parish Council will try and send someone.
- h) Knutsford Remembrance Event Sunday 9th November - – Cllr Williamson will check his diary to see if he can attend.

Meeting Closed: 7:30pm

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: 9.25pm

10. To discuss staff salaries.

The councillors discussed staff salaries.

Meeting Closed: 9.45pm

ACTION SUMMARY

Undertaken By	Detail	When For
Clerk	10km running event- invite him to PC meeting	As soon as practical

Councillor MH Williamson
CHAIRMAN