



ALDERLEY EDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting Held on Monday 9th December 2019

Present: Cllr M Dudley-Jones (Chairman), Cllrs C Browne, M Garbett, R Grantham
S Greenwood, G Hall, M Taylorson.

Clerk: A Ross
Public: 1

**Meeting
Commenced:** 7:30pm

1. Apologies for Absence.

Cllrs B Chapman, L Marshall.

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.

A resident raised two issues:

He raised concern about George Street and the process of how the road closure came about. He looked at the original planning application and there was no mention of road closures required to complete the development. Permission was asked for retrospectively and no documents have been made available and no consultation was made.

He also raised concern about the withdrawal of the Arriva 130 bus service in January and believes there are questions to be asked about the process and responsibilities of how it should be dealt with.

Cllr Browne responded to both issues:

He confirmed that the applicant and developer had tried to implement a closure that they didn't have permission for and have been informed that they had to put the closure in one way only. The situation is being monitored. He also confirmed that the council can't refuse a planning application because a road closure is needed. He agreed the road closure should have been better publicised but the council is not obliged to consult on these types of road closure.

He confirmed that the 130 bus service is a commercial (un-subsidised) service and the council are unable to step in and provide a supported service until it is clear no private operators will come forward to offer it.

4. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 11th November 2019.

Approval proposed by Councillor G Hall seconded by Councillor M Taylorson and carried.

5. To ratify the Plans Committee minutes of 4th November 2019.

Approval proposed by Councillor S Greenwood seconded by Councillor G Hall and carried.

6. To receive a report from the Clerk.

Nothing to report.

7. To receive an update on the Festival Hall.

Cllr Hall gave an update and the report was noted.

8. To approve accounts for payment in total amount of £53,907.68

Approval proposed by Councillor G Hall seconded by Councillor R Grantham and carried.

9. To formally acknowledge cheque from Waitrose Community Scheme of £500.

The money was received as a contribution towards the Christmas lights. It was agreed the Clerk would write a letter of thanks to Waitrose.

10. To consider the grant application from The Edge Musical Production Organisation.

After discussion all councillors were agreed that the application would be refused as it was felt that any grant given wouldn't be helpful in the long term sustainability of the group. Cllr Dudley Jones agreed to write to the group explaining the decision.

11. Reports from Councillors.

Cllr Greenwood reported that the public consultation for the neighbourhood plan is likely to be delayed for three weeks to the middle of January.

Cllr Grantham reported that there are a number of fraudulent £20 notes circulating in the village.

Cllr Browne reported he has the master plan for the park and he would like the Parish Council to discuss and agree amendments which he can feed back to ANSA.

Cllr Hall suggested adding 'to receive PCSO report' to the agendas as a standing item. There was also a discussion about the CCTV in the village and the Clerk was asked to write and ask for the latest activity report.

Cllr Dudley-Jones reported there has been incidents of cables being pulled off the railway. It has been reported to the transport police.

Meeting Closed: 8.42pm

ACTION SUMMARY

Undertaken By	Detail	When For
PC	Review grant policy wording	As soon as practical
Clerk/MDJ	Write letter of thanks to Waitrose	As soon as possible
Cllr MDJ	Write to Tempo re grant application	As soon as possible
Clerk	Request latest CCTV report	As soon as possible

Councillor M Dudley-Jones
CHAIRMAN