

# ALDERLEY EDGE PARISH COUNCIL

## Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 14<sup>th</sup> May 2012

**Present:** Cllr M Williamson (Chairman), Cllrs MJ Connor, JD Bergin, F Keegan, MW Maczkowiak, MD Lloyd, S Joseph, DG Herald, N schofield.

**In attendance:** 2 representatives from the press  
3 members of the public

### Meeting

**Commenced:** 8:26pm

#### 1. Apologies for Absence.

None

#### 2. To receive disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests from councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting.

None

#### 3. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> April 2012.

Approval proposed by Councillor DG Herald , seconded by Councillor JD Bergin and carried.

#### 4. Matters Arising.

None

#### 5. To ratify the General Purposes Committee minutes of 16<sup>h</sup> April 2012.

Approval was proposed by Councillor MJ Connor, seconded by Councillor S Joseph and carried.

#### 6. To ratify the Plans Committee minutes of 16<sup>h</sup> April 2012.

Approval proposed by Councillor F Keegan, seconded by Councillor MD Lloyd and carried.

#### 7. To ratify the Finance Committee minutes of 16<sup>th</sup> April 2012.

Approval proposed by Councillor JD Bergin, seconded by Councillor F Keegan and carried

#### 8. Civic Service – meeting scheduled for 22<sup>nd</sup> May

#### 9. To receive/approve a draft copy of the Annual Return for the year ended 31<sup>st</sup> March 2012

Copies of the Annual Return Sections 1 (Accounting Statements) and 2 (Annual Governance Statement) had been issued prior to the meeting for review.

The Clerk confirmed that the documents had just returned from the Internal Auditor. A £3 adjustment was required on the Annual return. It was then resolved by all present that the Chairman signs both sections as a true record of the council's finances as at 31<sup>st</sup> March.

The documents have been open to public view from early April and the relevant papers are to be sent to the Audit commission (the Parish Council's External Auditor) later this week.

#### 10. Notices and Correspondence.

- a) The Playing Field Magazine – taken by Cllr Herald
- b) Email from Cheshire East regarding an application from The Bubble Room for a premises license. – This was discussed at length. Cheshire East has no statutory obligation to consult the Parish Council but Cllr Maczkowiak has received 35 letters of objection from residents. It was agreed that Cllrs Keegan and Maczkowiak will attend the licensing committee meeting on 28<sup>th</sup> May. The Clerk will email Cheshire East to confirm their attendance. Cllr Williamson will write a letter to Gorge Osborne MP and asked the other councillors for their input. Residents were urged to complain about any incidents of noise or anti-social behaviour to the police.
- c) Notification from Probus cancelling use of the Council Chamber for Club meetings. Effective from 31<sup>st</sup> May 2012 - noted
- d) Letter from Bamford & Mason offering Development Project Management – to be passed to the Hall Manager

#### 11. Review of Standing Orders

This was discussed at length and it was agreed that a committee was needed to rewrite the Standing orders and consider a number of points including:-

- Review of public speaking at meetings
- Formalise the Hall Management Committee in the Standing Orders
- Transfer of Assets

Cllrs Connor, Herald, Joseph and Lloyd agreed to be on the committee.

In the interim it was agreed that the Parish Council accept a proposal of public speaking which allows 20 minutes at the start of the Parish Council meeting for this purpose. Cllr Williamson will write a statement to be attached to the beginning of the Agenda for next months meeting.

**Meeting Closed:** 8:58pm

#### ACTION SUMMARY

Undertaken By	Detail	When For
Clerk	Email CE about licensing committee	asap
Cllr Williamson	Write letter to George Osborne about licensing	Whenever practicle

**Councillor M Williamson**  
**CHAIRMAN**