



ALDERLEY EDGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting Held on Monday 11th November 2019

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

Clerk: A Ross
Public: 2

**Meeting
Commenced:** 7:03pm

1. Apologies for Absence.

None.

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.

None

4. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 14th October 2019.

Approval proposed by Councillor M Taylorson seconded by Councillor B Chapman and carried.

5. To ratify the Plans Committee minutes of 14th October 2019.

Approval proposed by Councillor S Greenwood seconded by Councillor M Taylorson and carried.

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

Approval proposed by Councillor B Chapman seconded by Councillor G Hall and carried.

7. To ratify the Finance Committee minutes of 14th October 2019.

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

8. To receive a report from the Clerk.

Noted.

9. To receive an update on the Festival Hall.

Noted.

10. To approve accounts for payment in total amount of £30875.95

Approval proposed by Councillor R Grantham seconded by Councillor M Taylorson and carried.

11. To agree Parish Council approval of revised draft Neighbourhood Development Plan.

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

12. To agree spend of £170 plus VAT on promotional materials for the Christmas lights switch on.

Cllr Hall summarised the key points. There will be a further consultation from 6th January to 17th February and the next newsletter will be planned for delivery between Christmas and New Year to keep residents informed.

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

13. To agree spend of £150 plus VAT on signs to improve parking on lower end of Congleton Road.

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

14. To agree spend of £200 plus VAT for skip on Heyes Lane.

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

15. To consider the grant application from Alderley & Wilmslow Musical Theatre Group.

Two representatives from the theatre group were present and summarised the reason for the application. After discussion it was felt that any grant given wouldn't be helpful in the long term sustainability of the group and would be lost into a huge pot of financial commitments. It was felt the Parish Council could help in other ways with regard to the possible use of the hall at reduced rates for rehearsal space and future productions. Cllr Dudley-Jones agreed to continue discussions with the group.

16. To review the Medium Term Financial Plan (MTFP) figures.

Cllr Garbett summarised the latest position. The closing balance at 1st October was £460,806 which is £51,000 higher than the forecast. The projected minimum closing balance remains at £127,000 in March 2022.

17. To agree virement of £1500 from the Festival Hall building and refurb costs line to the Festival Hall equipment line as previously discussed in the October Finance meeting.

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

18. Reports from Councillors.

Cllr Marshall gave an update on the Christmas lights switch on event. Twenty stalls have been booked in so far and £1700 has been raised in sponsorship. They are still looking for volunteers on the night to help with setting up and clearing down.

Cllr Grantham attended a Guides meeting for parliament week and thought it was a very enjoyable, interactive session. The Guides are having a stall at the lights switch on to fund raise and are looking for further fundraising ideas.

Cllr Taylorson reported that the residents of Massey Street are continuing to have problems with parked cars blocking the pavements. He will ask the PCSO to attend again.

Cllr Browne reported he had met with the Chief Constable to further discuss the idea of using the library as a tier 2 police station. He also requested that the Parish Council respond to the CEC pre-budget consultation.

He has a list of all highways schemes under consideration for funding under the capital programme. There are currently 3000 schemes under consideration.

Meeting Closed: 8.25pm

ACTION SUMMARY

Undertaken By	Detail	When For
		As soon as possible
		As soon as possible
		As soon as possible

Councillor M Dudley-Jones
CHAIRMAN