



## ALDERLEY EDGE PARISH COUNCIL

### **Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2023**

**Present:** Cllr R Grantham (Chairman), A Bates, L Booth, C Browne, B Chapman, V Fogharty, M Garbett, K Hulme  
Clerk, Assistant Clerk

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**Meeting Commenced:** 8.24pm

#### **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 ten minutes will be made available for the public to ask questions or submit comments.**

None.

#### **4. Minutes of the Parish Council meeting of 12<sup>th</sup> June 2023.**

Approval proposed by Councillor C Browne seconded by Councillor V Fogharty and carried.

#### **5. To ratify the Plans Committee meeting of 12<sup>th</sup> June 2023.**

Approval proposed by Councillor B Chapman seconded by Councillor K Hulme and carried.

#### **6. To ratify the Plans Committee minutes of 22<sup>nd</sup> June 2023.**

Approval proposed by Councillor B Chapman seconded by Councillor L Booth and carried.

#### **7. To receive an update on the Festival Hall.**

Cllr Grantham gave an overview of the Festival Hall report. There were items raised regarding the hall floor, boiler and roof that require further discussion.

**8. To review the PCSO and CCTV reports.**

Cllr Fogharty reported that himself and Cllr Raja will be visiting the control room next week, he has a number of questions he wants to raise. He attended the PCC and CEC Borough Town and Parish Council Meeting and found it useful. It was suggested that the Chief Inspector is invited to a future Parish Council meeting, date to be confirmed.

**9. To approve accounts for payment in total amount of £58,55.86**

Approved in Finance meeting.

**10. To agree Parish Council nominations for the Institute Trust.**

The nominations were Cllrs B Chapman and A Bates.

Approval proposed by Councillor R Grantham seconded by Councillor C Browne and carried.

**11. To agree inspection and necessary works to oak tree and Beech Close Allotments.**

Cllr Grantham explained that there is a question mark over who owns the land/trees in question, Cllr Browne agreed to ask CEC assets to clarify ownership.

After discussion it was agreed that a tree surgeon is asked to inspect the eight trees in question and report back on any works needed and also carry out immediate remedial works to the one particular tree that is causing concern.

Approval proposed by Councillor R Grantham seconded by Councillor C Browne and carried.

**12. To discuss the performance of the current service from CEC in respect of the Civil enforcement Officers in respect of enforcing the current parking restrictions.**

Cllr Fogharty has been gathering information on the activity of the parking enforcement officers in Alderley Edge. From the 4<sup>th</sup> – 28<sup>th</sup> June they did an average of 2hrs 20mins a day and issued 2 tickets an hour. He has requested further information as he would like to know what days there is no activity. There was further discussion around buying in enforcement provision or the possible use of cameras to issue tickets.

**13. Reports from Councillors.**

Cllr Chapman reported she has a PPG meeting planned and asked councillors to let her know of any issues to be raised. The next meeting for the Christmas event is 6pm on 24<sup>th</sup> July. She asked when the next newsletter is scheduled, date to be confirmed.

Cllr Hulme reported she is looking at businesses in the Love Alderley group and is gathering information on foodbanks in the area. She suggested it might be a possible article for the next newsletter.

Cllr Bates reported she had attended the AE In Bloom meeting. They are desperately short of volunteers, Cllrs Bates and Browne will engage with the group further to see what support can be offered.

Cllr Fogharty raised the issue of the train station ticket office being closed and asked what the official PC response was. It was agreed the PC would object to the closure and respond to the consultation as such. He a

Cllr Browne reported that the sink hole on Chorley Hall Lane by the De Trafford is being addressed by Utd Utilities and that the park gym equipment is progressing nicely. He thinks it would be nice to officially open the facility on Friday and will confirm the time.

Cllr Booth reported that herself and Cllr Grantham have been looking at costings for the Music Festival. After discussion it was agreed, the PC would write to them asking for a contribution of £2500.

**Meeting Closed:** 9:31pm

**Action Summary**

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**Councillor R Grantham**  
**CHAIRMAN**