

Ashton Keynes Parish Council

Minutes of a meeting held in the Village Hall on Wednesday 13 May 2015

Present: Cllrs D Wingrove (Chairman) M Carter; M Cooper; Y Jordan; M Seymour; A Tindall; E Tidmarsh; R Thomas; K Winstone

In attendance: The Clerk; Unitary Cllr C Berry

The meeting commenced at 7:15pm

2015/059 Election of Chairman

Chairman Nominated: Cllr D Wingrove
Proposer; Cllr M Seymour; Seconder Cllr E Tidmarsh
Voting in favour: unanimous

Cllr Wingrove accepted the position and signed the Declaration of Acceptance

2015/060 Election of Officers

Vice Chairman: Nominated: No nominees. The Council agreed to nominate a leader for a meeting or point of order as the need arose.

Planning Committee: Nominees: Cllrs M Seymour; M Cooper; E Tidmarsh; A Tindall; R Thomas (PC Chairman); D Wingrove
Proposer: Cllr M Carter; Seconder: Cllr K Winstone
Voting in favour: unanimous

Working Groups:

Minerals Liaison: Nominees: Cllrs B Ellison; M Seymour; E Tidmarsh (Chairman)
Proposer: Cllr M Cooper; seconder: Cllr Y Jordan

Emergency Planning: Nominees: Cllrs A Seymour (Chairman); M Seymour
Proposer: Cllr E Tidmarsh; seconder: Cllr R Thomas

Footpaths, Hedges & Water courses: Nominees: Cllrs A Seymour; M Seymour (Chairman); E Tidmarsh; K Winstone
Proposer: Cllr M Carter; seconder: Cllr R Thomas

Grants and Finance: Nominees: Cllrs M Cooper (Chairman); Y Jordan; D Wingrove; The Clerk
Proposer: Cllr R Thomas; seconder: Cllr K Winstone

Communications: Nominees: Cllrs M Carter; K Winstone; D Wingrove; co-optee Mr D Shepherd
Proposer: Cllr M Cooper; seconder: Cllr M Seymour

All Working Groups Voting in favour: unanimous

Outside Bodies:

School Governors: Nominee: Mr J Hughes
Proposer: Cllr E Tidmarsh; seconder: Cllr E Tidmarsh

Charities: Nominees: as set by the Charity's Board of Trustees
Cllrs M Seymour; R Thomas; D Wingrove

Police: Nominee: D Wingrove
Proposer: Cllr M Carter; seconder: Cllr R Thomas

Village Hall: Nominee: Cllr M Cooper

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Proposer: Cllr M Carter; seconder: Cllr R Thomas

Playing Fields Committee: Nominees: Cllrs K Winstone; B Ellison
Proposer: Cllr E Tidmarsh; seconder: Y Jordan

Area 2 CAB & M & VCAP: Nominee: Cllr D Wingrove
Proposer: Cllr M Carter; seconder: Cllr R Thomas

Cotswold Water Park Nominee: Cllr Y Jordan
Proposer: Cllr M Carter; seconder: Cllr M Seymour

Representatives to Outside Bodies: Voting in favour: unanimous

2015/061 Standing Orders

The Council resolved to confirm the standing orders for the administrative year.

2015/062 Confirmation of monthly meeting dates

The Council resolved to continue to meet every second Wednesday of the month, except August, for the administrative year.

2015/063 Apologies for absence accepted by the Council

Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Ellison; A Seymour

2015/064 Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest

2015/065 To confirm the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 8 April 2015

The minutes of the Council Meeting 8 April 2015 had been circulated previously and were agreed and signed as a true record.

2015/066 Matters to Report not included on the agenda

- Cllr Wingrove had attended the Wiltshire Planning Committee to put forward the Parish Council's concerns regarding the access to the site from Cox's Hill. The application was approved with an addendum recommending interested parties, the applicant and the Parish Council, to investigate re-siting the 7.5 tonne limit signage to the new access point. The Council agreed that notification of the weight restrictions through the village should be included in the Neighbourhood Plan
- Work at the Mead has commenced, no problems regarding contractors' vehicles have been reported. Cllr Wingrove to arrange a meeting with Greensquare the parking arrangements for the next stage of the development

Action Cllr Wingrove

2015/067 Chairman's Report

- The scouts from Cricklade had been in the village the previous Saturday and had assisted in litter clearance prior to the "Best Kept Village" competition.
- There had been an invitation to consult on the Mobile Library Service. As the service to Ashton Keynes will not be affected, Cllr Wingrove will respond accordingly.

Action: Cllr Wingrove

- The notice boards by the village hall car park have become difficult to maintain and the Council confirmed these should be removed.

2015/068 Clerk's Report – the report had been circulated previously and it was noted that Royal Mail had responded to the request for an update, which has been received although an installation date has not been confirmed. Fly posting has been targeted in time for the 'Best Kept Village Competition'. The Council were asked to confirm the continuation of the Wiltshire Association Local Councils (WALC). The Council resolved to continue with the membership.

Financial Report – the annual accounts for 2014-15 had been through an internal audit and were offered to the Council for approval. The Council resolved to approval the accounts for 2014-15

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Notable expenditure in April 2015:

Clerk's salary: £396.00 (gross), the remaining expenditure concerned room hire; £44.00 and the MUGA equipment £24,162.00. Income received in April included the first 50% of the precept and the top up grant from Wiltshire Council and the release of the Section 106 funds of £20,135.00.

2015/069 Section 106 update

Cllr Winston had confirmed with Wiltshire Council that there should be an additional £7,000 due from The Mead development now that work had commenced. The receipt of these funds will ensure that the finances for the project will be on course. Following the pre application discussions, the planning application will be sent in within the next couple of weeks, which, once passed, will enable the project to be timescaled. The impact of the Multi Use Games Area (MUGA) on the annual bonfire night, an event held by Friends Of Ashton Keynes School on the Parish Council land at the Cuckoo Pen and the Bradstone Playing Field, is to be discussed with the organisers later in the month.

Action: Cllr Wingrove

It was asked if the Tennis Club had been approached for a contribution to the MUGA, as the Club had removed the Kick Wall in the High Road with the indication the Club would provide a replacement at the Bradstone. Confirmation of the agreement is to be sourced.

Action: Cllr M Seymour

2015/070 Parking along the High Road

Cllr A Seymour had raised concerns over the parking along the High Road and requested Councillors to look for ways to improve the situation. Notification of the problem has been highlighted in the Parish newsletter. However, the main problem at the weekends is from visiting football teams. The Parish Council will approach the local clubs to inform them that the problem has been highlighted and ask how they would address the parking problem

Action: The Clerk

015/071 Committees, Working Groups and Representatives' Reports

- Planning – minutes had been circulated previously, the next meeting is scheduled for 18 May. There was one application brought to the full council:
Application: N/12/01670/WCM
Proposal: S73 Application - Recycling of Inert Construction & Demolition Wastes Without Compliance With Condition 1 of Planning Permission N/08/07019 Dated 22 July 2009 (to Permit Continuation of Recycling Until 19 October 2019)
Site: Dairy Farm Gravel Pit
Decision: To object as there was insufficient evidence to justify the relaxing of compliance of condition 1 of the planning permission to N/08/07019 on 22 July 2009
- Emergency Planning – no report, Cllr A Seymour to be asked for the draft report
Action: The Clerk
- Footpaths, hedges & watercourses – it was noted that no further benefit could be gained from the WILD project
- Communications – no report
- Village Hall – no report
- Playing Fields Committee – the Playing Fields Committee are applying to the Area Board for a grant towards the replacement oil tank at the Bradstone Playing Fields and will be requesting match funding from the Parish Council in support of the grant application. The request will be formally identified at the next meeting. A question was raised regarding the recent fire damage to a tree in the Bradstone Playing Field. The Playing Field Committee will be approached to ascertain if the Parish Council can help out in any way
Action: The Clerk
- Best Kept Village – the entry has been forwarded and judging will take place between mid May and mid June. It was noted that posters around the village needed removing.
- Minerals Liaison – no report

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- Cotswold Water Park – the next meeting, 1 June, will be attended by Cllr Jordan
- School Governors – no report

2015/072 Neighbourhood Planning update

The draft Neighbourhood Plan has been collated and a steering group meeting needs to be convened to review the draft. The Planning Aid consultant needs to review and critique the draft plan before the end of June. More input is required to support the policies for all the themes.

2015/073 Cotswold Community update

The Parish Council agreed that any comments to the Cotswold Community developers have to reflect the needs raised by the emerging Neighbourhood Plan and statistics conformed with the Wiltshire Core Strategy. It was proposed to forward the previously circulated response with the amendments

Policy HSP3 – former Cotswold Community

Site AKNP02 is allocated for a maximum of 48 dwellings, subject to:

- the proposed development conforming to the policies contained in the Ashton Keynes Neighbourhood Plan and the Wiltshire Core Strategy; and
- the following site specific requirements;
 - the development will occupy the area edged in red shown on Map-HSP3;
 - vehicular access to the site will only be from the Spine Road West;
 - it is acknowledged that the 48 dwellings are in addition to the re-development of the 27 existing C3 dwellings with Certificates of Lawful Consent within their existing curtilages;
 - the development includes the re-development of the sites of the C2 Residential Institution buildings within their existing curtilages subject to planning permission being granted;
 - the development includes the restoration and conversion to residential of the 4 Grade II listed buildings subject to planning permission being granted;
 - a paved cycleway is to be provided adjacent to the southern boundary of the site with the Spine Road West and which is assigned as a public right of way.
- The landowner and any proposed developer notes that the allocation of the site in the Plan is subject to the grant of planning permission and the start of work on site not later than 31st December 2026.

The site is comprised of large areas of agricultural open space with a central collection of former residential institution buildings and 27 detached, semi-detached and terrace houses. There are four notable listed buildings in a quadrangle centre of the former community which served as administrative and community meeting venues. The non-housing buildings comprise workshops, sports facilities, and farm buildings. A sports field with pavilion and a large area of open field scheduled ancient monument lie to the southern part of the site.

Proposer: Cllr A Tindall; seconder: Cllr E Tidmarsh – voted in favour – unanimous

The offers issued by the developers are to be forwarded to the Wiltshire Council legal department as concerns had been raised by several Councillors regarding the status of the offers.

Action: Cllrs D Wingrove, C Berry

2015/074 Matters for the next meeting

The Ashton Keynes Village Festival will be added to the next agenda. Councillors were reminded to inform the Clerk by 3 June should any additional items be required.

2015/075 Date for next meeting 10 June 2015.

The meeting was concluded at 09:38pm