

OLD ALRESFORD PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF OLD ALRESFORD PARISH COUNCIL
HELD IN THE CHRISTY HALL ON TUESDAY 24th MAY 2022 AT 7.30.P.M.

PRESENT:

Councillor Mrs. S. Cornford Chairman.
Councillors Mrs. J. Tickner, Mrs. A. Richardson and Mr. M. Durrant.

In attendance:

1 Parishioner.
Mrs. R. R. Smith. Clerk to the Council.

1475/5/22 TO SIGN THE DECLARATION OF OFFICE

1476/5/22 TO APPOINT THE CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. J. Tickner that Councillor Mrs. S. Cornford be appointed Chair of the Council. This was unanimously agreed.

1477/5/22 TO APPOINT THE VICE CHAIR OF THE COUNCIL

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs. S. Cornford that Councillor Mrs. J. Tickner be appointed Vice Chair of the Council. This was unanimously agreed.

1478/5/22 APOLOGIES. County Councillor Mrs. J. Porter. City Councillors Ms. M. Power, Ms. F. Isaacs and Mr. R. Gordon Smith.

1479/5/22 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 26th APRIL 2022.

Minutes of the meeting held on the 26TH April 2022 having been circulated were taken as read, approved and signed by the Chair.

1480/5/22 COMMUNITY ISSUES

None

1481/5/22 MATTERS ARISING.

Speed cameras. The Clerk confirmed that the License had been received from Hampshire County Council and the Public Liability Insurance was in place. The final item of cost is the works to replace and re-install the posts was still awaited from Hampshire County Council. The original quote for this work in 2020 was £700.00.

Lengthman's visits. The Council had been informed that the Lengthsman would be visiting the Parish on the following dates:

9th June 2022

1st September 2022

1st December 2022

2nd February 2023.

Work schedules for each visit will need to be prepared and submitted to the Contractor before the visits. A schedule of works carried out on 26th April 2022 is attached to these minutes.

1482/5/22 PARISH COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Christy Hall – nothing to report

Environment – In answer to a question the Clerk confirmed that there was no record regarding the ownership of the flag pole but as it is now regularly being used the Council agreed some two years ago to insure it with other items owned by the Parish Council.

Highways and Byways. It was confirmed that the new speed cameras did have locks on them and a rota for changing the batteries and moving the cameras had now been prepared.

Planning-

Application approved:

Application No. 22/00419/LIS

Location – Swan Cottage, Bighton Road, Old Alresford.

Proposal – Single storey extension to existing building.

Application permitted

Application No., 22/00458/HOU

Location. School House, Basingstoke Road, Old Alresford

Proposal – Single storey side extension. New dormers to side roof of house and to side annex.

Application permitted

1483/5/22. FINANCE

£61.10 Wine for Annual Parish Meeting . S. Cornford

£30.15 Refreshment for Annual Parish Meeting - J. Tickner

£433.71 HCC Public lighting – 1.10.21 – 30.3.22

£265.29 Hampshire Association of Local Councils. Annual subscription.

NatWest Bank signatories – the Clerk continues to try and get paperwork completed with the Bank. She will write to the Ombudsman to seek their help with this situation.

The Council had received a grant of £300.00 on the last day of the Financial year from Winchester City Council marked “grant for Jubilee”. The Council had also received via the Chairman a request for a matching grant from the Council. This was approved and the Clerk requested information as to where to send the cheque for £600.00. The cheque will need to be made payable to the Old Alresford Jubilee Committee.

1484/5/22 CORRESPONDENCE

All correspondence received is distributed to Councillors via email.

The Chairman had received a request from the residents of Green Close to plant Jubilee trees on the central green area. The Clerk to find out ownership of this area and seek Council permission to agree this planting. The Council had requested two Jubilee Tree plaques from Winchester City Council and these are now ready for collection. Councillor Richardson offered to collect these from the City Council. Clerk to find out where the plaques are and how to arrange collection.

The Clerk reported on the Council’s long phone calls and correspondence to the VAT Office/HMRC regarding the credit received from the VAT Office in the sum of £6,571.09 on the 23rd July 2021. At last she has received a letter from HMRC Corporate Treasury confirming their error and requesting the refund of this incorrect payment made to the Council. A cheque was signed and will be sent to HMRC.

Parish Council Website. The Clerk confirmed that this has always been managed by Bernard Tucker former Chairman of the Council.

1485/5/22 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday 5th July 2022.

_____ Chairman

Date _____