

## Minutes of extra Meeting Thursday 3<sup>rd</sup> December 2015:

The Parish Council met in the Village Hall at 7.00pm. There was a full attendance of Parish Councillors and 2 Parishioners.

Apologies: All Councillors present.

Open Forum: No topics for discussion.

Declarations of Interest: There were no declarations made.

Minutes of the last Meeting: These were deferred until the January meeting.

### Matters Arising:

a. Play Equipment: This is to be discussed at item 7 on the Agenda.

b. Playing Field Fence: Unfortunately we are not in a financial position to be able to contribute towards the new fence. Perhaps when we have paid for the play equipment and get the VAT back we can review the situation

c. Work Party: Unfortunately the hedgecutter was unavailable at the last minute so the job was cancelled. The Chairman suggested that he liaise with the contractor to undertake the work on a quiet week day and then have the work party to clear up the other areas afterwards. All present were happy to proceed in this way.

### Planning Applications:

Mrs B. Payne- Retrospective householder application for erection of glazed porch to rear Evandon House West Alvington.

The Parish Council were not happy to support or refuse this application on the grounds that it could possibly be a listed building, the impact on the neighbour, proportionality, too close to the perimeter, and inappropriate use of materials. All Councillors were in favour of this proposal being made to SHDC.

Mr V. Taylor -Householder application for construction of detached double garage with workshop under, replacement store and greenhouse, ancillary attached store and associated external works (resubmission of approval)

The Parish Councillors had only just received the application so it was suggested that we request an extension in order to be able to discuss at our January meeting. All in favour of this proposal.

The application for South Barn, Collapit which has been rumbling on for months and to which we have had no communication since August received an update today after Mr R. Ladkin contacted Matthew Jones the Planning Officer. It would appear that the application ticks all the right boxes, unfortunately policy states that because of the location the only response is to refuse the application. The two ward members have today received the report from the planning officer and have three days in which to respond. The Clerk asked whether the applicants have the right to ask that the decision be taken out of the planning officers hand and be referred to committee, apparently this is not possible. Although the applicants will have the right of appeal should they wish.

Play Equipment Update: Financially we are all, ready with the help from the school to go ahead with the order for the equipment. The first invoice is due to be paid now. It is hoped but not confirmed that the installation will take place during the February half term.

Village Hall Committee AGM: Following the resignation of the Village Hall Committee it is now up to the Parish Council to arrange for a new committee to be established. We will need members

of village organisations to come forward. So far we have a representative for the WAHS, it was suggested we ask the new curate if he would represent the Church, Vicky or Jon from the Ring O'Bells for the Fun Day, Mrs Kitt from the Coffee Morning Club, the Clerk to continue from the Parish Council, we will also need a representative from the school, and possibly from the PTFA. It was suggested that we put a notice on the board asking for any interested parties to get in touch with the Parish Council. We will also require a treasurer, secretary, bookings clerk and a caretaker. An expression of interest for the position of caretaker/cleaner has been made, we will follow this up. In the January meeting we will propose writing to the outgoing committee and thanking them.

Correspondence: All emails received have been forwarded onto the Parish Councillors.

A.O.B: It appears that the double yellow lines in Lower Street have disappeared!! The question is why?? It would appear that we were not on any TRO when they were laid that's why they were removed, we will have to wait until we are on a TRO and they will then be replaced!!

Dog waste bins, following requests that one be placed at Longfields, it has been suggested that it be sited in the Pound. The bin itself will cost £260, fitting a further £70 and £2 per day each time it is emptied. We need to clarify the cost of and the amount of times it will be emptied. We will discuss this again in January. The Locality Officers have been about in the village and have expressed concerns about the tables placed on their sides at the Butts being used as advertising boards by the pub. It was suggested that we wait and see if they are removed any time soon before we take any further action. Town Park Car Park, it appears the hedge has been removed by the new owner of the householder in Wood Lane for lorries to access his premises with building materials. The Chairman suggested that had a parishioner not requested we remove our sign stating that the car park was for residents only we would be able to take some action. Perhaps as recompense we could ask the owner to furnish us with gravel at the end of his job to renew the surface of our car park!! Mrs J. Stevens thought that we should be careful about this as it could be misconstrued. It was suggested that the Chairman approach the householder and have a word with him about what is going on and also the amount of vehicles that he personally has in the car park at present. Again this will be discussed in January.

The Carol Singing Evening is now scheduled for Saturday 12<sup>th</sup> December at 6.30pm.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.09pm. The date of the next meeting being confirmed as Thursday 7<sup>th</sup> January 2016.

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