

ASTON BY BUDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL

Clerk to the Council : Helen Percival clerk@astonbybudworthpc.co.uk

Minute of a meeting of the Parish Council held at 7:30 PM on 24.10.2022 at High Legh Village Hall

Those present: Daniel Gething Chairperson
 Alan Percival
 Ivan Shepherd Finance Officer
 Ryan Lee

Apologies: Philip Acton
 Steve Wilkinson
 Richard Ford
 Kate Parkinson –
 Cheshire East

In attendance: Helen Percival (Clerk to the Parish Council) and one member of the public

1. **Apologies for absence** – PA, SW, RF and KP
2. **Confirmation of minutes from previous meeting**- Proposed by IS and seconded by RL , minutes signed by DG
3. **Declaration of interests**- No further declarations.
4. **Matters arising from minutes of previous meeting**
 - 4.1. **Clarifications regarding conflict of interest for PC Members** –
The Members of the council were reminded of their general obligations as councillors and if they are ever in doubt they should consult the members code of conduct and standing orders which can both be found on the parish website.
 - 4.2. **Signage around the parish**
The clerk updated gave an update of Cheshire easts response to the request for new signs and cleaning of road signs, the signs have been cleaned and hedges cut back to make them more visible but there is no money in the budget for the new signs, Clerk requested approximate cost of signs and has been sent a form to fill in so that the PC can use some of the precept to pay for the signs. Clark will fill in and return to CE.
 - 4.3. **Defibrillator update**

The council can't let the PC use the street lights to trickle charge a cabinet for the a defibrillator so would require a solar charged cabinet which are £3595+VAT and the defibrillator would be £1095+VAT, while there is a need to spend the moneys received by the PC from the development at Hield Farm with in the next few years the PC decided to hold off on buying the Defibrillator until CE get back to them about the cost of the signs.

- 4.4. **Newsletter** – The clerk checked the website and the last news letter was written in 2019, the PC members didn't feel they had the time to produce a news letter but if any of the local residents would like to, the clerk is happy to help with information from the PC.

5. Correspondence and Reports from Cllrs and Clerk

5.1. Firework event at Arley -

The clerk received a message from KP the night before this event was due to take place having received concerns from several local residents, the Clark contacted the company hosting the event, along with Arley, while the dry weather had lead to the cancellation of several events, a fire assessment had been carried out and the site was deemed acceptable, The event organisers had also hired two fire engines and crew in the event of a fire. The event went with out a problem. Several councillors also noted that the site of this year event had been much less disruptive to farm animals in the area.

5.2. Water running down Hield Lane from overflowing well/spring-

The ongoing issue of water running on Hield lane will be referred to CE it will be made clear that it is a natural spring under the road and that it is not United utility's problem. AP recall that this has been delt with in the past and that there was a horse trough that was feed by the spring. Although it is a natural spring if it is coursing damage to the Highways it does need investigating further

5.3. Memorial for the Queen/Coronation

The clerk enquired if the PC wished to do something to commemorate the queens death or the upcoming Coronation, the PC didn't think so at this time.

6. Planning

6.1. **22/3324M FELDY GREEN COTTAGE, FELDY GREEN LANE, ASTON BY BUDWORTH, CW9 6LT** – Stables No Objection

6.2. **22/2503M ARLEY HALL, ARLEY PARK, ARLEY, CW9 6LZ-** Updated planning – DG discussed the up dated information for this application, the PC concluded that the conditions already proposed by ABBPC should stand.

6.3. **22/3935M CANN LANE FARM, CANN LANE** – Solar panels. – RL Abstained – No objection

7. Accounts

7.1. **Accounts report** – IS said there was plenty in the account, but would need to be careful if planning to do multiple projects next year.

7.2. **Precept for 2023** – the precept is £1000 at the moment, with the chance of another payment from CE relating to the Hield Farm development it was decided to wait until January to decide if it should be increased, it was felt that if the precept could be kept at its present amount it should be.

8. **Report from Cllr Kate Parkinson, Cheshire East**— clerk read sort email from KP regarding the Harry Potter event at Arley.

9. **Public Forum-** no speakers

10. Any Other Business

10.1. Next years meeting dates proposed 6th Feb

24th April, Clerk will book with High Legh Village Hall, the next two meetings to be decided at Aprils meeting as the PC Members will be up for re election

10.2. AP informed the PC that he intended to stand down before the next election

Chairman closed the meeting at 8.30pm

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