

ALTON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting at the Coronation Hall, 7.30 pm, August 30, 2018

Present: Ben Owen (Chair), Polly Carson, Steve Hepworth, Robert Carpenter Turner, Mike Golden, Alex Oliver, Richard Heacock, Debby Lester (Treasurer) Apologies: Charles Reiss In attendance: Cllr Paul Oatway

072/18 Minutes: The minutes of the previous meeting were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

Matters arising:

073/18 SID invoice, DL confirmed we have received an invoice through and has been paid.

074/18 Crop circle car park: BO heard from Steve Jenkins, but nothing has moved in terms of action. PO said he would chase with Steve Jenkins. AO said this had been going on for a while and needs addressing.

075/18 Chandler's house, new driveway: consent has been granted although with strict conditions, leading to the field going back to how it is in a maximum of 2 years. Members voiced concerns that work perhaps not in line with consented works had happened. BO to investigate. PO to arrange a visit with BO.

076/18 Crop circle AA signs: RCT said that the yellow signs are still up. AO said they can only be up for a limited time. They would need to be removed as per planning laws. BO to chase with the AA for removal and planning enforcement. PO to also enquire. AO also mentioned that the cafe at the Mill has temporary signs scattered around and said maybe more proper ones need to be installed to fall in line with other businesses. BO to speak to owner of the cafe.

077/18 Finance, playground insurance: DO reported two cheques to be signed, one for SID and one for playground maintenance. DL reported that we have £32900 of value attributed to our playground equipment insurance. We can get it lowered to £30,000 which would save around £70 a year. Our public liability would be unaffected. Members agreed to lower the level of cover to £30,000. MG and BO had submitted their cheque authority forms to Lloyds.

078/18 Everleigh recycling centre: BO had submitted a letter to Jane Scott. A letter was received back advising us to fill in a feed back form already active.

- 079/18 Alton Priors springs maintenance:** BO reported back that no spraying of vegetation had been done in the springs and it was just some spray drift from authorised works, therefore no further action required.
- 080/18 Community Open Spaces:** BO reported that a neighbourhood plan would have to be done as per spatial planning advice. AO advised that this is not quite the case. He had asked advice in regards to legislation and will update us in due course.
- 081/18 Barge inn car park and towpath:** RCT made us aware of overnight stays in the car park and boat noise from repair works had returned causing concerns. Concerns were raised that the Barge was being left unused and empty. Bins are also overflowing as they are not being emptied. BO to ask CRT to make them aware of rubbish issues at the pub. PC also reported the crowd funding attempt at the pub had failed and is now on the market for purchase. No application for change of use has happened.
- 082/18 Alton ALT08 footpath to Stanton St. Bernard:** SH reported a member of the public had reported a footpath had been ploughed up. It has been reported on the My Wiltshire app and that it will be looked into.
- 083/18 West Stowell barn F.O.I request:** BO reported that he had received a letter from Toby Sturgess. He rebuffed the letter with the concerns raised. Some good news is in the future viability reports would be public in planning applications except in exceptional circumstances.
- 084/18 18/07202/FUL Chandler's House, amendment to 17/08731/FUL:** Members have looked at the plans submitted. No concerns were raised. Members agreed no objection to the plans.
- 085/18 18/06638/FUL Chandler's House landscaping (to note for the record):** Just to note for the record that no objection was made as per email discussion between members.
- 086/18 Website backup:** RCT reported that CR was made the key holder backup for the website.

Any other business

- 087/18** BO reported that the farm are happy for us to use existing posts to attach the new information board too at the top of the hill car park. BO said he would attach up there in due course.

088/18 PO reported he was unhappy with highways progress on the state of the road down by little Honeystreet. He was going to chase with Highways and update us in due course. He also made us aware of the future consultation on boundaries and how it may affect us. BO reported that the views of the Parish have already been made.

Meeting closed at 20.23