

# **ASTON CLINTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the **Council Meeting**held at 6.30pm on **17**<sup>th</sup> **August 2022** at the
Parish Council Office, Aston Clinton Park, London Road HP22 5HL

**PRESENT:** Cllr C Read (Chair), Cllr P Birchley, Cllr A Goode, Cllr C Judge, Cllr M Mason, Cllr L Ronson & Cllr P Wyatt.

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Mrs S Payne (Clerk) & Ms L Tubb (Astonbury 2022 organiser: for agenda item 22.45iii)

- 22.38 Questions and Comments from the Public. None.
- **22.39 To Receive Apologies for Non-Attendance.** Received and noted from Cllr M Collins, Cllr J Hughes, Cllr A Judge & Cllr D McCall.
- **22.40 To Receive Declaration of Interests or Request for Dispensations.** None declared.
- **22.41 To Approve the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2022** The minutes of the meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> July 2022 were approved as a true and accurate record and were signed by the Chair.

#### 22.42 Council

- i. Reports from external bodies
  - Chiltern Society: Cllr Read reported that the Chiltern Society were putting together plans for the establishment of a hedge near the allotment site and an orchard in the area behind the all-weather pitch.
- ii. Council noted <u>Buckinghamshire Council's Town & Parish Charter</u> which detailed their commitment to working with all local councils in Buckinghamshire.
- iii. Wendover & Villages Community Board meeting with Thames Valley Police: It was agreed that Cllr Read would attend the meeting as Council's representative. Issues regarding Stablebridge Road footpath, drug use around College Road South, the use of the park's CCTV to tackle antisocial behaviour and the request that TVP attend a least one Council meeting a year would be raised.

  ACTION: Cllr Read
- iv. <u>2022-23 Gib Lane Solar Grant</u>: Cllr Mason reported that the closing date for grant applications was 14 September 2022. To date one other local organisation had submitted a grant application. Council agreed that if there was funding left, a request for a defibrillator could be made. **ACTION: Cllr Mason/Clerk**

## 22.43 Finance & Staffing

- i. Council considered and noted the financial reports for April to July 2022 and the 2022/23 Q1 VAT return.
- ii. Payments totaling £89,317.81 were considered and approved. It was resolved that 50% of the Caloo Ltd invoice for the new playpark be paid now and the remainder when the outstanding issues had been addressed and a bench installed to replace the one damaged during installation.

#### Payments over £500

Invoice Date	Company	Description	Net £	Vat £	Total £
29/07/2022	Frank Cooper & Son Ltd	July 22 grounds maintenance	£1,442.92	£288.58	£1,731.50
10/08/2022	Kenneth Workman	Park keeper duties July 22	£912.00	£0.00	£912.00
23/06/2022	Npower Business Solutions	Streetlight electricity May 2022	£713.96	£142.79	£856.75
28/07/2022	Works Plumbing	Clean, paint, spray play equipment	£1,445.00	£0.00	£1,445.00
25/07/2022	Caloo Ltd	New playpark equipment	£79,315.30	£15,863.06	£95,178.36
25/07/2022	Caloo Ltd	Swing set	£1,366.00	£273.20	£1,639.20
			£85,195.18	£16,567.63	£101,762.81

### 22.44 Facilities

- i. Cllr Ronson reported that the tree canopies had been raised and the leylandii hedge boarding the park had been cut back.
- ii. Cllr Ronson reported that Bucks Council had agreed to change the waste collection dates to Monday and Friday's.
- iii. Extension to the current CCTV provision: Given the delays caused by the difficulty in sourcing additional quotes Council agreed that an extension from Grantscape be requested and additional source of funding sought.

  ACTION: Cllr Mason/Clerk
- iv. RKP Snags: It was agreed to defer this agenda item to the next meeting. ACTION: Clerk

#### **22.45** Events

- i. <u>Play Around the Parishes</u>: The second event had taken place on 19<sup>th</sup> August.
- ii. Arrangements for the RKP official opening, Remembrance Sunday and Santa's Float would be discussed at the next Facilities Committee meeting.

  ACTION: Clerk
- iii. Astonbury 2022: Ms Tubb reported that the event had been well attended. Concerns regarding the number of WCs available for use and the need to ensure that all cigarette butts are cleared from the park were addressed. The arris fencing would be removed and rubbish collected during the next few days. It was noted that the Kirby's Herd team had raised £2,528 on behalf of Cancer Research.

### 22.46 Highways

- i. Cllr Goode reported that a meeting with the Local Area Technician for Aston Clinton had been arranged for 14<sup>th</sup> October. Cllr Goode asked Council to forward him any issues they would like addressed at this meeting.
   ACTION: All
- ii. MVAS update: A meeting had been arranged for later in the week to configure the MVAS.
- iii. <u>Community Speedwatch</u>: The Clerk reported that the site locations were to be uploaded. When completed residents would be able to apply online to join the speedwatch team.

### 22.47 Planning Committee

The meeting closed at 7.50pm

- i. The draft minutes of the 10<sup>th</sup> August 2022 Planning Committee meeting were noted and recommendations approved.
- ii. Neighbourhood Plan Working Group: <u>It was resolved that a Neighbourhood Plan Review</u>
  <u>Working Group be established. Membership would be the current Planning Committee</u>
  <u>members (Cllr Hughes, Cllr Mason, Cllr McCall, Cllr Read & Cllr Wyatt), Cllr Ronson and a</u>
  NHP consultant.

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