

Aylesford Parish Council

Meeting of the Council

Minutes of the Meeting held at the Aylesford Football Club Pavilion, Aylesford on Tuesday 15 March 2022

Present: Councillors Shelley (Chairman) and Councillors Balcombe, Ms Dorrington, Mrs Eves, Fuller, Mrs Gadd, Gledhill, Ludlow, Mrs Ogun, Ms Oyewusi, Sharp, Smith, Sullivan, Walker, Williams and Winnett.

In Attendance: Mrs Randall (Clerk)

Apologies: Councillors Base, Beadle, Hammond and County Councillor Kennedy.

1. Declarations of Interest additional to those contained in the Register of Members' Interests

There were no declarations of interest additional to those contained in the Register of Members Interests.

2. Apologies for absence

Apologies of Absence from Councillors Base, Beadle and Hammond were received, and the reasons for absence agreed.

3. Chairman's Announcements

The Chairman informed those present that the next Parish Partnership Panel (PPP) meeting is about Law & Order and Enforcement of Regulations. He has requested several items be added to the agenda for the PPP meeting and asked members if they have anything they would like added to send him an email.

4. Adjournment of the Meeting to allow for Public Participation

There were no members of the public in attendance.

5. Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 11 January 2022

It was proposed by Councillor Mrs Gadd and seconded by Councillor Balcombe that the Meeting of the Council held on 11 January 2022 be **approved** as a correct record and signed.

6. Matters Arising from the previous minutes

There were no Matters Arising.

7. To Receive and Note the Minutes of the Policy & Resources Committee

- a) It was **Agreed** to note the Minutes of the Policy & Resources Committee on 1 February 2022. There were no matters arising.
- b) It was **Agreed** to note the Minutes for the Policy & Resources Committee on 1 March 2022 and to approve minute 5 - Statement of Internal Control.

8. To Receive and Note the Minutes of the Environmental Services Committee

- a) It was **Agreed** to note the Minutes of the Environmental Services Committee on 25 January 2022. There were no matters arising.
- b) It was **Agreed** to note the Minutes of the Environmental Services Committee on 22 February 2022. There were no matters arising.

9. To Receive and Note the Minutes of the Planning Committee

- a) It was **Agreed** to note the Minutes of the Planning Committee on 11 January 2022. There were no matters arising.
- b) It was **Agreed** to note the Minutes of the Planning Committee on 25 January 2022. There were no matters arising.
- c) It was **Agreed** to note the Minutes of the Planning Committee on 1 February 2022. There were no matters arising.
- d) It was **Agreed** to note the Minutes of the Planning Committee on 15 February 2022. Councillor Ludlow reported that Eccles Residents while grateful for the Council enlisting its independent planning consultant and for making funds available for a report, they were disappointed that the Parish Council did not object to the proposed development – Land at Eccles. Members noted the comment.
- e) It was **Agreed** to note the Minutes of the Planning Committee on 22 February 2022. There were no matters arising.
- f) It was **Agreed** to note the Minutes of the Planning Committee on 1 March 2022. There were no matters arising.

10. To Receive the Report of the County Councillor

There was no County Councillor present, however members were given the monthly report that is produced by Councillor Kennedy.

11. To Receive the Report of the Borough Councillors

A Borough Councillor reported the following:

- The proposed new roundabout on the A20 at the Quarry Wood junction has as residents are aware been put on hold, there are some concerns about where the already allocated money will go if the roundabout does not go ahead. The issue of the flooding in this area was to be resolved when the roundabout was put in, there are now concerns over whether the flooding issue will ever be rectified if the roundabout does not proceed.
- The Garden Waste service has been reinstated.
- There are some changes happening within TMBC regarding the boundaries so it may mean a change of Borough Councillor for some Parish Council's.
- It is hoped that as a result of the proposed new developments in the area a cycle lane will be put in that will run up Hermitage Lane right the way up to the hospital.

12. Accounts for Payment

The Council considered the Payment Schedule attached to the Agenda and Councillor Mrs Gadd proposed and Councillor Balcombe seconded and it was **Agreed** that 27 payments totaling £6,880.26 be made.

13. Council Vacancies – 1 Aylesford South

There are currently no vacancies

14. County Councillor Grant for the purchase of 1000 Platinum Jubilee Mugs

The Clerk reported that Councillor Kenedy has some funding available for Jubilee celebrations in his area. The Parish Council is not able to put on any events due to being such a large Parish covering Aylesford, Eccles, Walderslade and Blue Bell Hill it would not be fair to do something in one area and not anywhere else. Councillor Kenney suggested that the Parish purchase commemorative mugs and give one to each primary school child. The cost to purchase 1000 mugs would be £2,000 and the grant would be for the same amount, therefore there would be no cost to the Parish Council.

It was **Agreed** to go ahead and make the purchase.

Closed

15. 2022/23 Calendar of Meetings

The Clerk sought the Councils approval to not hold an Environmental Services Committee Meeting or a Finance Advisory Sub Committee Meeting in the months of May and September 2022 due to her being on annual leave. Anything needing an urgent decision can go to the Policy & Resources Committee. It was **Agreed** not to have the two Committee Meetings referred to above in May and September.

The Calendar of Meetings was also **Agreed**.

Closed

16. Any other Items of Correspondence

There were no any other items of Correspondence.

17. Duration of Meeting

7.36pm to 8.05pm