

Alpheton Parish Council – Agenda and Correspondence, for meeting 2nd February 2016

1. Apologies
2. Present
3. Declarations of Interest
4. Minutes of Parish Council Meeting of 1st December 2015.
5. Matters Arising
6. Police
7. Planning
8. Highways
9. Finance a) Formal approval of Precept
b) Adopt new Financial Risk Assessment
10. Correspondence & Clerk's Report
11. Chairman's Report
12. District & County Council Reports.
13. Any Other Business
14. Date & Time of next meeting

At the discretion of the Chairman and if time permits
there will be an adjournment for public discussion after item 6.

Finance:

1. Precept form completed and had to be sent prior to this meeting. Signed by K. Watkins, G Maskell, R . Barraclough and the Clerk. Figure agreed at £2989.00 (plus a grant from Babergh DC for £29.33 = £3018.33.) To be ratified at this meeting.
2. Financial Risk Assessment to be adopted.
3. Letter requesting support for Parish Magazine.
4. Cheques to authorize ; 467 for £27.30 for Christmas Lights Refreshments and 478 for Ean Stowe grass cutting for 2015.
5. Audit information regarding the new Sector Led Body.
6. Suffolk Constabulary – Update on PCSO's and opportunity for parishes to fund their own Officer.
7. Transparency Funding Application – deadline is 15th February 2016.

Highways

8. Emails regarding the improvements to the Bus Stop on A134/Old Bury Road junction.
9. Emails regarding Flooding along Old Bury Road.
10. Logged Highways problems; 00126946 Road traffic accident near Tallage Cottage,
00126947 By Road Sign twisted on A134
00128057 Speed figures requested on A134
11. NB; Speed figures have since been received.
12. Emails regarding Community Funding forwarded to Alpheton Village Hall.
13. Suffolk Association of Local Councils – Area meeting dates ; 29th February, 6th June, 5th September, 28th November.
14. Public Service Ombudsman – Information leaflet. Watch for planned publication of draft legislation.
15. Referendums relating to Council Tax increases – response to question 'Will councils be subject to automatic precept referendums in 2016/17?' Answer; The Secretary of State does not plan to extend principles in 2016/17'
<https://www.gov.uk/government/collections/provisional-local-government-finance-settlement-england-2016-to-2017>
16. Her Majesty the Queen's 90th Birthday celebrations. Information on other parishes' arrangements. 30% of those responding to a questionnaire are going to hold street/village parties and light beacons.
17. New contacts for Babergh and Mid Suffolk Development Management Team.
18. District Councillor Richard Kemp's District Report..
19. County Councillor Richard Kemp's County Report.
20. Age UK Suffolk – February is 'Will' month and people are being sought to open their gardens this summer.
21. Copy of 'Clerks and Councils Direct'.