

MINUTES OF ALPHETON ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD AT ALPHETON VILLAGE HALL ON 12th MAY 2015 AT 7.45 PM

Apologies; Richard Kemp and John Nunn.

Present; Ken Watkins, (Chairman), Alan Ariss, Richard Barraclough, Richard Kemp, Maureen Lankester, Graham Maskell and Trevor Rix. Also present District Councillor John Nunn, Julie Rix (the Clerk), and one member of the public.

The Chairman, Ken Watkins stood down and Alan Ariss nominated Ken for Chairman for the coming year, seconded by Richard Barraclough. There were no other nominations and this was carried. Ken nominated Alan as Vice Chair, seconded by Trevor Rix and again there were no further nominations and this was also carried.

There were no Declarations of Interest.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting. The previous Annual Meeting's minutes were signed as correct. Proposed by Alan Ariss seconded by Trevor Rix

Matters Arising

Improvements had been asked for the bus stop opposite the bottom of Old Bury Road. It's currently just a small concrete base and the parents and children who use it are concerned that it is dangerous with out more distance from the road and some kind of barrier. We are still waiting for work to start. Richard Kemp will be asked to see if any progress has been made.

The Minutes of April 2015 were signed as correct Proposed by Alan Ariss and seconded by Trevor Rix. Matters arising from these are that there has been an offer to be Custodian of the Telephone box if we buy it and also an offer of help to clean it and the surroundings. We will express our interest in purchasing it and obtain costings for paint etc.

Police

No one was able to attend but the latest report showed 77 crimes in Babergh West but none in this parish.

Planning

Planning Application B/15/00374/FHA Tweenbridges, Bridge Street, Alpheton CO10 9BG

Erection of two-storey front extension; erection of pitched roof to existing garage; erection of first-floor balcony; alterations to existing roof, including erection of 3 no. dormers (to facilitate loft conversion) and rooflight to side elevation; erection of single storey rear extensions.

This council had no comments to make.

Highways

These matters have already been dealt with previously.

Finance

Two cheques were authorised (to be signed later as the cheque book is still with the Internal Auditor)

£84.00 Peter Rix Repairs to Bus Shelters and Notice Boards.

£12 Alpheton Village hall Hire.

Clerk's Correspondence

On File.

It was noted that Babergh District Council now have a new electronic system for submitting and publishing the Register of Interest Forms. These must also be published on the village website.

Extra Correspondence;

Copy 'Clerk's and Councils Direct', Insurance companies' proposals. (We are tied to a three year commitment)

Mr Kemp's May report (on file) contained a tribute to a young person who recently lost his life and who was very involved in local politics. He also mentioned applications for Primary school, Water Safety week (13-19 April), Recycling, Raising the bar awards, School Nurse Logo competition, and assaults on Firefighters.

There was no further business. This meeting closed at 7.55pm

The next meeting will be August 4th at 7pm.