



ALBURY PARISH COUNCIL

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PARISH OF ALBURY
NOTICE OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
Local Government Act 1972

Minutes of a meeting of Albury Parish Council held on
Monday 1st November 2021 at 7.30pm in the village hall
for the transaction of the under mentioned business.



Present: Cllrs S Bevan, J Brockwell, P Gellatly, A McCann, G Robinson, P Yeoman
County Cllr R Hughes
4 members of the public
In attendance: The Clerk, Mrs J Cadman

A discussion took place on the ditch in Church Lane which has not been cleared out and as a result is causing flooding to the houses in the path of the overflow. The road will also collapse where it has been undermined by the flooding.

Members also raised the complaint from the Old Rectory to SCC about the flooding experienced on their property.

Cllr Hughes undertook to arrange a meeting with SCC Highways as a matter of urgency.

The members of the public left before the meeting continued.

129/21 **Election of Chairman:** Cllr Robinson, Proposed by Cllr Yeoman, Seconded by Cllr Bevan, all in favour.

130/21 **Apologies for absence:** were received from Cllr Dennis.
Apologies were also noted from Borough Cllrs R Billington and Cllr Jones

131/21 **Declarations of interest:** none were made.

132/21 **Minutes of the Meeting held Monday 6th September 2021 :** Agreed as a correct record of the meeting.
Minutes of the meeting held Monday 4th October 2021 : Agreed as a correct record of the meeting.

133/21 **Matters Arising**

120/21 20mph bin stickers: Members agreed not to pursue this proposal, as it would only have a use on The Street and residents do not leave their bins out on The Street.

120/21 Open Spaces: legal advice has been sought. Members agreed that, as permission had not been given for vehicles to drive over the Green, the Parish Council has no obligation to maintain the track.

126/21 Tree: the Clerk has reported this to the landowners.

Holmbury Emergency Medical response: Cllr McCann advised that two individuals in Holmbury had started a new voluntary medical response service, and had committed to respond to local emergency services on a first responder basis. They had run the service for 6 months and during that time had attended over 60 999 callouts.

These two men had recently purchased off-road terrain vehicles and are currently gathering funding for an off-road defibrillator.

In order to maximise their response they need to traverse private land such as the Hurtwood, Albury Estate, SCC land. Discussions are under way with landlords.

Recently Shere PC had endorsed their work and is now seeking to provide a donation to the purchase of additional medical equipment.

Cllr McCann requested that Albury Parish Council recognize the value of this service to Albury residents and endorse the Holmbury Medical Response service as providing a valuable additional service to residents and visitors alike who might find themselves in need of such help.

Proposed by Cllr McCann, Seconded by Cllr Bevan. 4 in favour, 2 abstentions.

- 134/21 **Clerks Matters arising**
- a) *Recruitment:*
 - b) *Old Rectory flooding:* Discussed in the public forum at the start of the meeting.
 - c) *Tree on Farley Green in memory of the Duke of Edinburgh:* Members agreed on a Maple, to be planted at the top of the Green. Cllr Yeoman will source this.

- 135/21 **Police matters:**
- a) *PCC:* was unable to attend the meeting, her assistant had advised as follows:
 - i. The reports received from Elmbridge were compiled by the local Neighbourhood Watch, with some support from the police.
 - ii. She was unable to answer the question from Cllr Gellatly on Countryside Watch.
 - iii. She would give the Clerk the contact details of our PCSO, Sam Ives, to enable more effective contact.

- 136/21 **Committee reports:**
- Highways, Byways and Traffic:* Cllr Brockwell
- a) *A25 depressions:* Cllr Hughes confirmed that he had not heard any further about these and would pursue.
 - b) *VAS:* Cllr Brockwell and Cllr Gellatly will address the current problems.
 - c) *Church Lane:* Cllr Brockwell will speak to Hannah Gutteridge, SCC.
 - d) *S106 funds:* there is a balance of £14353 which can be used by the parish, and GBC is anxious that it is used. They have confirmed that it can be used for stiles and kissing gates and all members were in support of this. Cllr Brockwell will prepare a schedule and asked members to let him know if they could identify ones that need replacing.

Outdoor maintenance: Cllr Yeoman

- a) The allotments have been sprayed and will be sprayed again in the spring.
- b) Thanks were recorded to Michael Hancock for his work this year, and also to Matt Riley, Mint Gardening.

Open spaces: Cllr Rowland
No report had been received.

Planning and Environment: Cllr Gellatly
Minutes of the meeting held 4th October, 25th October: noted.

Village Hall: Cllr Brockwell

- a) *Usage:* Cllr Brockwell requested a meeting with the clerk to check how the hall is being used, using the data from the entry system.
- b) GBC had agreed a grant to replace the LED panels the previous year, and Cllr Brockwell will proceed with this work.
- c) The Memorial Library will require some maintenance work in 2022.

Allotments: Cllr Robinson
There is a lot of plastic on Tier 2. Cllr Robinson will investigate.

Communications: Cllr Dennis
No report had been received.

- 137/21 **Environmental Projects**
- 50 people had attended the meeting on the 16th October.
- Cllr McCann reminded the meeting that, in previous meetings, it had been agreed to support a local response to the world climate issues. This development, ACE, was publicized in the last issue of Albury Matters and outlined the terms and rationale for the group. Summarised as:
- Recognizing the climate change issues at global, country and local levels.
 - Supporting the formation of a group to propel local climate change and environmental activities

- Outlining the role of the group to
 - i. Mobilise ideas
 - ii. Connect to others in Albury or other local parishes who have similar ideas
 - iii. Make a sustainable difference to local climate impacts
 - iv. Make it easier for ideas to get started.

Cllr McCann emphasized that ACE is not a sub committee of the Parish Council, or funded by it, although donations will be requested.

Cllr Brockwell advised that the group should draw up a constitution and open a bank account before the agreed grant of £250 is paid.

138/21 **B4SH**

- a) Cllr Brockwell reported that it is moving on well. There had been a major planning meeting the previous Friday to decide how to move forward, as the village has been by-passed to a great extent and the next area which had gained approval was north Albury. South Albury also has a route and has gained approval to proceed.
- b) The second part of Farley Green has been rolled out, and the next part will be north of August Lane.
- c) Cllr Brockwell advised that he will table a proposal that Albury PC invest £2,500 x 4 to help the programme move forward. He reminded the meeting that the Parish Council had invested £2,500 to date.

139/21 **Neighbourhood Plan**

Cllr Brockwell advised that there was nothing currently to report.

140/21 **Finance**

- a) *Draft Management report to 27th October:* Noted and agreed
- b) *Payments to 27th October:* the outlay for the period of £3737.98 was noted and approved.
- c) Bank reconciliation to end September: noted.
- d) *Budget 2022/23:* members are asked to advise the Clerk of any capital expenditure they would like considered in the preparation of the budget and precept request for 2022/23. The Clerk will draw up a first draft to discuss with Cllr Brockwell.

141/21 **Councillors business:** *for noting or including on a future agenda*

No further matters were raised.

142/21 **New Correspondence:**

None has been received

143/21 **Dates of meetings**

Full Council: 6th December, 10th January

Planning: 15th November, 6th December

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.