

**ASTON ROWANT PARISH COUNCIL
AGENDA**

The Parish Council Meeting of the above Council will be held on Wednesday, 9th November 2016, at 7.30pm at Kingston Blount Village Hall.

Summoned to be present: Cllrs. G. Crossley, M. Day, L. French, A. Green, P. Hetherington, T. Hill & P. Tinson (In the Chair). Also to be present; D/Cllr. L. Lloyd / I White and C/Cllr. D. Wilmshurst.

1. APOLOGIES:

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

3. MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting held on 12th October 2016, to be approved and signed.

4. MATTERS ARISING – Update from Lynn Lloyd following question raised about the Cherry Tree as an asset of community value.

5. REPORTS FROM DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS

6. OPEN FORUM

7. PLANNING

a) **Applications** as follows to be confirmed/discussed:

P16/S3393/HH Infill existing carport wall openings with new wall/door construction to create an enclosed garage. Construct a new detached Summerhouse. Erect a new boundary wall fronting the High Street, with a pedestrian gate and bin stores at Apsley Cottage, High Street, Kingston Blount, Chinnor, OX39 4SJ

P16/S3391/HH Erection of a 3 bay car port and change existing double garage into games room at Willowmead, Kingston Stert, OX39 4NL

b) **Decisions of S.O.D.C.** as follows to be noted:

None

c) Neighbourhood Plan- Update

8. FINANCE

a) The following payments to be noted (Costs include VAT):

	£	p
Clerk September Salary		
MK Watts		240.00
Complete Weed Control		240.00
Mike Eaton (Purchase of seeds at Fiveways)		31.65
Rennie Grove Hospice (In memory of Brenda Wilson)		50.00

b) Receipts as follows to be noted:

KB Street Fayre donation towards Moors Path upgrade	1400.00
Walks Booklets	27.00

c) The following payments to be approved (Costs include VAT):

Clerk October Salary		
Royal British Legion – Remembrance Wreath		50.00
M Parry (Computer Support – already approved)		75.00
S. Johns Mileage (February – October)		54.60
S. Johns Postage		1.10
T.Lambourne – purchase wi-fi printer/scanner/copier		74.99

d) The current financial situation as at 28th October:

Barclays Bank – Community Account	18737.29
Barclays Bank – Business Saver Account	1090.19
National Savings	11224.62
Village Hall Reserve fund	(690)
Play Area Reserve Fund	(5636)
Parish Notes Reserve Fund	(1000)
Trees, Footpaths & Environment Reserve Fund	(7069)

Cash 1.19

e) Budget 2016/2017 v6

f) Budget / Precept 2017 / 2018 for review

9. HIGHWAYS

- a) Traffic Calming – A request that a sub-group / action group is formed and members of the public are invited to join.

10. POORS HILLOCK CHARITY

11. HILLWERKE TRUST

12. PLAYGROUND

- a) Payback Scheme for the Playground surface maintenance

13. ASTON ROWANT SCHOOL

14. GRASS CUTTING & GENERAL PARISH MAINTENANCE

15. ASTON ROWANT CRICKET CLUB – decision date on SODC web-site amended to 31/Oct to allow time for ARCC to respond to option for resubmission of further plans.

16. FOOTPATHS AND AMENITIES

- a) Report from Cllr. P. Hetherington
- b) New litter picker –School Permit & start date update
- c) Approval of Estimate for further work at Fiveways (£350)
 - I. Extension of footpath
 - II. Repair to damaged sleeper bridge
 - III. Coppice hazel, take out dead Hawthorne and remove some elder, all to create more light and encourage more wild flower growth
 - IV. Treat laurel

17. OTHER MATTERS & WRITTEN REPORTS

- a) New clerk: contract & change of address at bank
- b) High Sheriff's Awards 2017 – nominations deadline 11/Jan/17.

18. CLERK'S REPORT – ITEMS NOT NEEDING NOTICE OF DECISIONS

19. CORRESPONDENCE

- a) Email request for Support from Sue Ryder Home, Nettlebed
- b) Email request for Support, from Citizens Advice Oxfordshire South & Vale
- c) Lion's Roar Magazine.

20. WEBSITE

- a) Item for amendment on the website
- b) Request from Mike Henson (Web-Master) for dates of 2017 meetings for inclusion on web-site

21. OTHER URGENT MATTERS at the discretion of the Chairman

22. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Wednesday 14th December 2016 Kingston Blount Village Hall, at 7.30pm.

Clerk to the Council

Aston Rowant Parish Council Budget 2016 / 2017

2015/2016 Actual £		2016/17			Current Available Reserves 2016/2017 (Based on Actual figures to date)
		Original £	Actual to October 16	Revised Forecast	
EXPENDITURE					
6,156	Administration	7,550	4,278	7,550	
393	Election Cost (Payment 1 of 3)	394	393	394	
50	s.137	50	50	100	
249	Maintenance		-	-	
508	Capital	1,632	1,382	1,632	
5,434	Grants	2,000	2,411	2,411	
0	Village Hall	-	2,900	2,900	690
13,969	Play Area	300	95	300	5,636
0	Parish Notes	-	-	-	1,000
303	Agency Services - Litter	500	139	500	
293	Dog bins emptying	647	234	647	
3,310	Village Grass cutting & maintenance	5,000	2,750	5,000	
556	Subscriptions	350	120	350	
0	Neighbourhood Planning	500	-	500	
2,223	Trees, footpaths and Envir.S fund	3,500	471	3,500	7,069
	Traffic Calming	500	620	620	
58	Sundries	100	21	100	
690	Website and publicity	900	750	900	
3,560	VAT		1,664	1,664	
37,753	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	23,923	18,278	29,068	
Less INCOME:					
19,200	Precept	20,500	20,500	20,500	
204	CTRS mitigation Grant	-	-	-	
84	National Savings Interest	82	-	50	
0	Bank Account Interest	2	0	2	
448	Grants - Agency Services	226	226	226	
20	Village Hall Rent	20	-	20	
	Hillwerke Grass Cutting Contribution	750	750	750	
216	Walks Booklet	250	261	250	
19,070	Other Grants / Donations	-	427	427	
395	Playground	-	-	-	
10	Wayleave	10	10	10	
31	Trees & Environment	-	1,850	450	
3,351	VAT Reimbursed	-	-	1,664	
43,028	Total Income	21,840	24,024	24,349	
5,275	Net Income [- Expenditure]	- 2,083	5,747	- 4,719	
19,631	RESERVES B/FWD	24,906	24,906	24,906	
24,906	RESERVES C/FWD	22,823	30,653	20,187	
BANK & CASH POSITION					
12,591	Barclays Current Account	12,591	18,737		
1,090	Barclays Deposit Account	1,090	1,090		
11,225	National Savings	11,225	11,225		
0	Cash	-	-		
24,906			31,052	-	
RESERVES					
6,179	GENERAL		16,258	10,438	
3,590	VILLAGE HALL	3,590	690	690	
5,430	PLAY AREA	5,730	5,636	5,430	
1,000	PARISH NOTES	1,000	1,000	1,000	
1,929	TREES & FOOTPATHS	5,429	7,069	2,629	
18,128				20,187	

Budget for 2016/2017

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Based on these figures, the Precept for 2016/2017 is £20,500, an increase of £1300 on the 2015/2016 figure of £19,200 which represents a 6.7% increase overall. This allows for an increase in grass cutting & litter picking which is withdrawn from OCC funding as well as an allocation of £500 towards Neighbourhood planning & an increased allocation for footpaths. Due to the increased housing in Kingston Blount, the Parish Tax base is 5.8 higher than the 2015/2016 figure which means the overall increase per (Band D) household is 5.3% on 2015/2016.

The tax base figure for 2016/2017 is 426.5 (Based on 347 dwellings). This calculates as £48.06 per Band D household. This equates to 9/9s. Other tax bands can be calculated using 5/9s for band A, 11/9s for Band E & 18/9s for band H etc.

Grants are shown below, as well as the amount allocated to the funds known as 'Reserves'.

Grants break down:

Chinnor Village Centre	£555
Aston Rowant Churchyard	£896
Air Ambulance	£110
South & Vale Carers	£58
CAB	£115
M40 Group	£200
Chinnor Community Pool	£50
Kingston Blount Street Fayre (Queens 90th - reimbursed from SODC) in income	£427
Total Grants	£2,411

Reserves

Parish Notes (allocation for 2016 / 2017)	£1000 remains in reserves and is carried forward from £0 2015/2016
Kingston Blount Village Hall (Hillwerke Trust) (allocation for 2016 / 2017)	£1230 was carried forward from 2015/2016 & £2360 added to their reserve from VAT reclaimed from their donation for new playground equipment. This will pay for £0 the new sewage pump.
Trees & Footpaths (allocation for 2016 / 2017)	£1929 was carried forward from 2015/2016 & £3500 was £3,500 added for 2016/2017.
Kingston Blount Play Area (allocation for 2016 / 2017)	£5400 was carried forward from 2015/2016 & £300 was £300 added for 2016/2017
Total Reserves (top up)	£3,800

Notes:

Capital: £250 was allocated in 2016/2017. An additional £1382 was carried forward from 2015/2016 which was for the defibrillator (Now paid but was invoiced after year end).

Dog Bins: £500 was allocated for 2016/2017. An additional £147 was carried forward from 2015/2016 (Now paid but was invoiced after year end)