

**ASTON ROWANT PARISH COUNCIL
AGENDA**

The Parish Council Meeting of the above Council will be held on Wednesday, 12th October 2016, at 7.30pm at Kingston Blount Village Hall.

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

- 1. APOLOGIES:** Cllr. L. French
- 2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST**
- 3. MINUTES of the Parish Council meeting held on 14th September 2016, to be approved and signed.**
- 4. MATTERS ARISING**
- 5. REPORTS FROM DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS**
- 6. OPEN FORUM**
- 7. PLANNING**

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

None

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

P16/S2537/FUL Demolition of two stable buildings and erection of replacement stables and office accommodation at Aston Park Stud, Aston Rowant, OX49 5SR – Granted

c) Neighbourhood Plan

d) Asset of Community Value – The Cherry Tree Pub

8. FINANCE

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

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Clerk July Salary	
Clerk August Salary	
SODC (Dog Bin Emptying)	87.91
Alice Surman (Litter - July)	12.66
Alice Surman (Litter – August)	25.32
Diane Malley MAAT (Payroll)	34.00
George Stevens	150.00
MK Watts	240.00
Mh -P Internet Services	828.00
RoSPA (Annual Playground Inspection)	113.40
Mike Eaton (Purchase of Bulbs at Fiveways)	46.63
BDO (External Audit)	240.00
DJA Consultants Ltd (Traffic calming advice)	744.00
S. Johns (Stationery – Ink Cartridges)	28.94
S. Johns – Postage (From March 2015 to date)	54.19
MK Watts (Not on the agenda)	240.00
S. Johns (Not on the agenda) printing costs	21.92

b) Receipts as follows to be noted:

SODC (Precept)	10250.00
Walks Booklets	90.00

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

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

d) The current financial situation as at 29th Septmber:

Barclays Bank – Community Account	18015.42
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 (5674)

Cash

1.19

e) Budget 2016/2017 v5

9. HIGHWAYS

a) Traffic Calming – Intention of donation from Kingston Blount Street Fayre towards costs

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

16. FOOTPATHS AND AMENITIES

a) Report from Cllr. P. Hetherington

i. Fiveways Repair to bridge and removal of more dead trees.

ii. Plans for signing at Fiveways and an information board.

iii. Parish walk (October) and parish walk on New Year's Day around Tring Reservoirs.

b) Donation from Kingston Blount Street Fayre towards the cost of the Moors Path

c) Litter Picker Vacancy – Applications for consideration

17. OTHER MATTERS & WRITTEN REPORTS

a) Appointment of a new Councillor by co-option.

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

19. CORRESPONDENCE

20. WEBSITE

a) Item for amendment on the website

21. OTHER URGENT MATTERS at the discretion of the Chairman

22. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Wednesday, 9th November 2016 Kingston Blount Village Hall), at 7.30pm.

Clerk to the Council

Aston Rowant Parish Council Budget 2016 / 2017

2015/2016 Actual £	Description	2016/17			Current Available Reserves 2016/2017 (Based on Actual figures to date)
		Original £	Actual to September 16	Revised Forecast	
EXPENDITURE					
6,156	Administration	7,550	3,883	7,550	
393	Election Cost (Payment 1 of 3)	394	393	394	
50	s.137	50	-	50	
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	13	500	
293	Dog bins emptying	647	234	647	
3,310	Village Grass cutting & maintenance	5,000	2,350	5,000	
556	Subscriptions	350	120	350	
0	Neighbourhood Planning	500	-	500	
2,223	Trees, footpaths and Envir.S fund	3,500	439	3,500	5,674
	Traffic Calming	500	620	620	
58	Sundries	100	21	100	
690	Website and publicity	900	750	900	
3,560	VAT		1,584	1,584	
37,753	TOTAL EXPENDITURE	23,923	17,195	28,938	
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	234	250	
19,070	Other Grants / Donations	-	427	427	
395	Playground	-	-	-	
10	Wayleave	10	10	10	
31	Trees & Environment	-	450	450	
3,351	VAT Reimbursed	-	-	1,584	
43,028	Total Income	21,840	22,597	24,269	
5,275	Net Income [- Expenditure]	- 2,083	5,403	- 4,669	
19,631	RESERVES B/FWD	24,906	24,906	24,906	
24,906	RESERVES C/FWD	22,823	30,309	20,237	
BANK & CASH POSITION					
12,591	Barclays Current Account	12,591	18,015		
1,090	Barclays Deposit Account	1,090	1,090		
11,225	National Savings	11,225	11,225		
0	Cash	-	-		
24,906			30,330	-	
RESERVES					
6,179	GENERAL		17,309	10,488	
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	5,674	2,629	
18,128				20,237	

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)