

ASTON ROWANT PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of meeting of the above Council held on Wednesday, 13th January, 2010..

Present: Cllrs. D. Beechey, G. Crossley, P. Gibbons (in the Chair), P. Hetherington, J. Knight and P. Rooksby. Also to be present;

1. **APOLOGIES:** Cllr. R. Armitage, D/Cllr. D. Brown and C/Cllr. R. Belson.
2. **DECLARATION OF INTEREST** - None
3. **MINUTES of the meeting held on 9th December, 2009, were approved and signed.**
4. **MATTERS ARISING** - None
5. **OPEN FORUM** – No members of the public were present.
6. **PLANNING**

a) **Applications** as follows were confirmed/discussed:

PO9/E1296 Two storey rear extension together with the removal of outbuilding at Oxford Lodge, London Road, Lewknor for Ms. Kate McArdle. *No strong views.*

PO9/E1375 Extensions to the existing bungalow to add an upper floor and single Storey side and rear extensions at Briarwood, Pleck Lane, K.B., for Mr. Josef – circulating.

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

PO9/E0996 Demolition of existing garage and stables. Erection of new annex building incorporating garaging and ancillary accommodation, construction of swimming pool, as amended, at Aston Park House, Church Lane, A.R. *Planning Permission granted.*

PO9/E1053 Erection of orangery to rear at Park Cottage, Chinnor Road, A.R. – *Planning Permission granted.*

c) Letter from Planning Services, S.O.D.C., re Green Infrastructure Strategy Consultation to be circulated.

7. FINANCE

a) The following payments were noted:

	£	p
Clerk – salary November		
J. Beechey – relief Clerk		
Earth Anchors Ltd – dog hygiene bin and post	218.33	
WM Nairn – purchase and planting of daffodil bulbs; tub maintenance	320.00	
Allianz Insurance – additional premium, VAS	36.82	
S.L.C.C. subscription 2010	72.00	
Thames Valley and Chilterns Air Ambulance – grant as budget	110.00	

b) The following payments were approved

Clerk – salary December		
WM Nairn – Maintenance of tubs x 5 in December	60.00	
Ridgeway Woodlands – Church Lane tree works	471.50	
Hillwerke Recreational Trust – hire of hall	135.50	

c) Receipts as follows were noted:

Standing Order from Hillwerke Trust	20.00
Interest, Business Premium Account	0.24

d) The current financial situation as at 30th December, 2009, was noted:

Barclays Bank – Community Account	7045.63
Barclays Bank – Business Premium Account	5081.62
National Savings	10491.42
Village Hall Sinking Fund	(1949.75)

Play Area Sinking Fund/maintenance	(1532.50)	
Play Area Sinking Fund/capital	(5805.50)	
Parish Notes Sinking Fund	(1020.00)	
Cash		10.21

- e) Dog bin for Kingston Lanes – meeting with representative from S.O.D.C. to be arranged.
- f) Thank you letters from Air Ambulance, Berks., Oxon. and Bucks., and M40 Group were noted.
- g) Parish Council website to be discussed at February meeting.
- h) Parish Notes were discussed; Cllr. Knight is to compose an article for Cllr. Gibbon's Parish Council News for the next issue of the Notes.
- i) It was agreed not to respond to a request from Windmill Landscapes to tender for grass cutting.

8. HIGHWAYS

- a) Oxfordshire Waste Partnership Fly-tipping Information Pack is to be circulated.
- b) It was noted a public meeting is to be held in Stokenchurch to discuss a possible site for gypsies on the A40 near Stokenchurch. The Clerk is to contact Wycombe District Council asking them to send us all relevant plans, etc. as the Parish Council wishes to be consulted on this site which is adjacent to our Parish.

9. HILLOCK GARDENS – No report

10. HILLWERKE TRUST – No report

11. ASTON ROWANT SCHOOL – No report

12. FOOTPATHS AND AMENITIES

- a) Cllr. Hetherington reported on the new Tree Preservation Orders received from S.O.D.C., which cover Aston Rowant. The Clerk has requested a copy of TPOs for other areas of the Parish from S.O.D.C.
- b) Letters are to be sent to further landowners in the Parish, emphasizing the legal position of landowners regarding ditches adjacent to footpaths and bridleways, and the responsibilities involved in using heavy farm vehicles on such paths. If ditches are not cleared, Sydenham will have problems with flooding.
- c) Cllr. Hetherington reported that the Parish walks this year have been very successful. Next walks are on 9th May from Russells Water and on 12th September from the Leathern Bottel in Lewknor.
- d) It was noted a proof of the Walks booklet is in the post.
- e) In view of concern re dogs mess, Cllr. Gibbons will collect notices re fines, etc., from S.O.D.C. and arrange for them to be erected where appropriate.

13. CORRESPONDENCE as follows to be circulated:

- a) HealthNews from NHS Oxfordshire, Issue 4, 2009.
- b) ORCC Review, Autumn/Winter 2009, issue 6.

14. REPORTS FROM DISTRICT AND COUNTY COUNCILLORS - none received.

15. OTHER URGENT MATTERS

- a) The Clerk is to write to a property in the High Street, K.B., requesting the hedge be trimmed.

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING – Wednesday, 10th February, 2010, at Kingston Blount Village Hall, at 7.45pm.

CHAIRMAN

13/08/2010

Aston Rowant Parish Council

Brenda Wilson

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Clerk to the Council