

Minutes of the Appleshaw Parish Council Meeting held on Thursday 10th March 2016 in Appleshaw Church at 7.30pm.

Present: Cllr Mr B Parker – Chairman
Cllr Mrs A Cowlin – Vice Chairman
Cllr Mrs R Bass
Cllr Mrs J Hopkins
Cllr Mr J Clement
Richard Waterman – Parish Clerk
County Councillor Mrs Z Brooks
Borough Councillors Mrs P Mutton and Mr P Lashbrook
Mr A Pilley - TVBC
Members of the Public – 11

DECLARATION OF INTEREST

Cllr Mrs A Cowlin, ARC, Flower Show and WI; Cllr Mrs R Bass, Flower Show and Appleshaw School, Cllr Mrs J Hopkins, Village Hall.

MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The Chairman signed the minutes as a true record, seconded by Cllr Mrs A Cowlin.

Matters arising:

DEFIBRILLATOR – Planning permission has been granted to site the defibrillator at the Walnut Tree Inn conditional on a wiring plan approved by TVBC.

DROVE SIGN – The Drove Street signs are ready for collection and the Clerk is organising installation.

HIGHWAYS –blocked drains in Ragged Appleshaw have been reported to Highways.

C.E.R.T. UP-DATE

Cllr Mrs R Bass reported that Cllr Mr P Lashbrook has produced a draft plan for Appleshaw and Redenham. Mr Lashbrook is planning a CERT Training event, a joint exercise with the 'Blue Light' services.

PLANNING

15/03151/FULLN – Erection of three detached dwellings (1x3 bed + 2x4 bed) and associated site works (Amended scheme). Land between Harrow farm Cottage and South View/Rose Cottage, Ragged Appleshaw. OBJECTION – full details, TVBC Web.

15/00470/LBWN – Remove paint and modern cement render, rebuild and repair damaged brickwork, repair brick and flint masonry, render with lime based render and replacement of window in north east elevation – Iron Peartree Cottage, Biddesden Bottom Road, Appleshaw. NO OBJECTION 15/03166/LBWN – Defibrillator Box – Walnut Tree Inn, Appleshaw – PERMISSION

TVBC website now showing that Appleshaw's Village Design Statement has been adopted as a supplementary planning document.

VILLAGE HALL

Cllr Mrs R Bass reported completion of internal decoration. It is proposed to install pin boards around the hall. Estimates being sought for a new floor. Hiring fees to be discussed in September. The next Village Hall meeting is on the 30th March 2016.

FINANCE

EXPENDITURE - February and March 2016

Richard Waterman	Wages - February	£160.00
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Richard Waterman	Wages adjustment/OA/Expenses	£137.50
Solstice Signs	Walnut Trees Sign	£ 18.00
PGPC	Hire of Office	£ 80.00
SBPC	FSS Maintenance 2 Years	£100.00
		£655.50

BANK BALANCE

After above movements have been deducted and added : £5,102.18

BANK ACCOUNTS

Allotments Account	= £ 714.09
Current Account	= £5,102.18
	= <u>£5,816.27</u>

The Chairman wanted it to be noted that the parish rates had been reduced this year and the reduction would show on annual Council Tax bills this month.

COUNTY COUNCILLOR MRS Z BROOKS

The government wants HCC to elect a 'Metro Mayor' but the county is not wholly in favour. Further discussions to be held with relevant councils.

BOROUGH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Cllr Mrs P Mutton noted a Parish Plan workshop at the Guild Hall in Andover on the 21st March 2016.

Cllr Mr P Lashbrook spoke about plans to change the constituency election boundaries with part of the Penton Bellinger Ward moved into Romsey and Southampton, a move that would not be advantageous for the ward. He will keep Parish Councils informed of any developments.

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Issues raised included:

Queen's 90th Birthday Celebrations – agreed that Mr J Marshall and Cllr Mrs A Cowlin will liaise regarding an event following the village church service to commemorate Her Majesty's birthday on 12th June. National celebrations of the Queen's official birthday are on the 20th/21st June.

Cllr Mr J Clements reported that he and other residents have been doing a village 'Clean for the Queen'. The Chairman thanked Philippa Downing and Judy Hyson for their efforts towards ditch cleaning in February and March. It was noted that over 30 bags of rubbish had been collected to date.

DAFFODILS – requested that the Parish Council grass cutter avoids mowing over the daffodils on The Green immediately after they have finished flowering, leaving them to die back naturally.

30MPH SIGN – has still not been reinstated. The Chairman had reported it to Highways.

WHITE HOUSE JUNCTION – poor sight lines when joining the A348 at the White House junction were discussed. Some time ago after a site meeting, suggested ways to improve the sight lines were submitted with drawings to TVBC. Cllr Mr P Lashbrook said he would investigate and speak to Ray Alborough.

CORRESPONDENCE

A Parishioner had raised the issue of parking at the West Park/Pippin Grove junction which often obscured the sight lines. The Clerk had reported this to PCSO Dave Trowbridge who will investigate and visit owners of cars parked unsafely too close to the junction.

CHAIRMAN'S RESIGNATION

Cllr Mr B Parker gave reasons for his decision to retire from the Parish Council. He thanked fellow Councillors, past and present, who had given him great support and also the Clerk for his continued hard work and devotion to the task.

Mr Hilary McCall stated this was a sad day for the Parish Council and thanked Cllr Mr B Parker on behalf of the village for his tremendous contribution to Appleshaw.

Mrs P West added her thanks to Mr Parker for his outstanding contribution and also thanked Mrs Suzanne Parker for her own support. Cllr Mr P Lashbrook said Mr Parker's place on the PC would be sadly missed.

CLOSE OF MEETING

The Chairman thanked members of the public for their support over the years and closed the meeting.

DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING – 5th May 2016