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**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ASTON TIRROLD AND ASTON UPTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD ON WEDNESDAY 19<sup>TH</sup> July 2023**

**13/026 Apologies for absence**

Joanna Hart (JH), Jane Murphy OCC (JM), Ben Manning (MB SODC)

**13/027 Present**

Jane Imbush (JJ), Simon Young Vice-Chair (SY), Jane Knight (JBK), Peter Butcher (PB), Nigel Hawkey (NH), Neil Carter (NC), Anne-Marie Simpson SODC (AMS), Sarah Brown- Clerk (SB), Charlotte Ray- New Clerk (CR)

**13/028 Declaration of any relevant interests**

None

**13/029 Minutes**

Minutes from the meetings held on 21<sup>st</sup> June 2023 were then agreed by all and signed by the Chair.

**13/030 Public questions, comments, or representations**

None

**13/031 SODC and OCC Reports to the Parish Council**

Possible fund for CCTV for fly tipping across the Parishes. Anne-Marie agreed to look into it.

See link for SODC report

[https://www.theastons.net/files/Aston Tirrold Aston Upthorpe Council DC Report 190723.pdf](https://www.theastons.net/files/Aston_Tirrold_Aston_Upthorpe_Council_DC_Report_190723.pdf)

**13/032 Planning**

None

**13/033 ARC**

a) To approve ARC Minutes from 10<sup>th</sup> July 2023- Approved

Discussion on the possible use of CIL monies. ARC would like to know what type of infrastructure projects are eligible for CIL. JJ agreed to share the information with ARC.

**13/034 Finance**

a) Payments below approved

Sarah Brown Clerk fees	£255.20
Simplicity Payroll Service	£26.40
Charlotte Ray Clerk Fees	£462.35
Village Hall Fees	£86.00
Rustic Management Countryside Services	£1,170.00



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Defib cabinet adjustment for cabinet re order	£29.94
Printer and ink and costs for clerk	£70.48
Volunteers Beverages	£79.20
Roles and responsibilities course for Charlotte Ray (Agreed last meeting but excluded VAT)	£96.00 inc VAT

- b) Approve June's Financial Statement- Approved
- c) Approve payment for the Clerks and payroll service for August as there is no PC meeting next month- Approved

### 13/035 CIL Monies – Public Ideas

The PC has received a number of suggestions on the possible use of the CIL monies to improve amenities for new and old residents. All monies accepted need to be used within 5 years of receipt by the PC. SODC can hold the funds on our behalf (no interest would be paid). All monies would have to be spent within 5 years once the PC had drawn the money from SODC.

Total CIL monies - £5981.43 paid April 2023. A further 2 tranches of £11,962.87 available from 08/23 and 08/24. **Total £29,907.17**

### Suggestions.

- a) Allotments- the sum of money needed would preclude purchase of land of sufficient size to make it a viable option. The maintenance and management responsibility should not be underestimated.
- b) Library of stuff - the purchase costs could be affordable depending on the inventory identified. However, on discussion amongst councillors concerns were expressed regarding training requirements on equipment use, any ongoing maintenance, replacement and insurance costs. The PC did not feel able to support
- c) Road Sweeper- this is the role of OCC and not a PC responsibility.
- d) Village Shop- a village shop was tried in the past at the Chequers. It needs considerable volunteer support and sadly had to close. It was open on a Saturday and Sunday
- e) Village Assets- could a joint committee be formed to improve the assets across the whole village utilising the CIL monies? The Village Hall in particular is dated and needs a refresh; ARC have identified some possible uses for the money which include (but not limited to) repairs to the Boules Pistes, laminate flooring and sound management in the pavilion

JI to ask for the VHC terms of reference and to better understand how they could interact with the PC and if they could benefit from CIL monies.

**Volunteers are needed for all the suggested uses (however large or small) above. It currently falls to the same people in the village to deliver the vast majority of events/fundraisers etc. If you would like to volunteer please feel free to contact the relevant committee.**

### 13/036 CLP Groups



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- a) Roads and traffic- Application for 20MPH has gone to consultation.  
Closure on Baker Street set for 35 days due to utility company laying cable for Gigaclear. All farm traffic connected to harvest will access via Spring Lane. Any grain lorries will have to access either via South Moreton or the Hagbourne road but must pass the VH and use Fullers road. They should not use Thorpe street. (JI has spoken to the HGH Ltd representative )  
OCC have been contacted both by phone and email given that a total closure for 35 days without any prior notification or consultation seems excessive. No consideration was given about how this will impact the village due to it being harvest season.
- b) Housing and Development- nothing to report.
- c) Environment Group- OCC have been asked if they have any postcards for hedge and verge management, awaiting response.

**13/037 Fibre Broadband/GIGA Clear**

The successful role out is virtually complete.

**13/038 Review Monthly Calendar tasks**

**13/039 Items for next agenda**

Greater collaborations between committees

The Parish Council would collectively like to thanks Sarah Brown for her support as Clerk over the last 2 years and wish her every success in the future. The PC would also like to extend a warm welcome to Charlotte Ray as our new Clerk

Date of the next meeting is at 7.30pm on Wednesday 13th September 2023 which will be held in the Village hall.

Meeting closed at: 20:29

**Change to meeting dates**

Following meetings will be on the second Wednesday of the month:

11<sup>th</sup> October

8<sup>th</sup> November

13<sup>th</sup> December