

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ASTON TIRROLD AND ASTON UPTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL,
HELD ON MONDAY 18 January 2016 IN THE VILLAGE HALL**

12/46 Apologies for absence

Simon Young

12/47 Present

Tim Vallings (TV) Chair, Joanna Hart (JH) Vice Chair, Anna Dillon (AD), Andy Toyne (APT), Steve Falle (SF), Bronwen Pearmund (BP), Susanna Brunskill (SB), Justin Keeble (JK)

Clerk: Emma Anderson

Public: Erol Bishop, Charlotte Thomas, Juliana Phelps, Toby Phelps, Amberley Diamond, Phil Diamond, Naomi Simmonds, Bruno Brunskill

OCC: Patrick Greene (PG)

SODC: Not present

12/48 Declaration of any relevant interests

Susanna Brunskill is a neighbour to Crossways

12/49 Minutes of the 14th December meeting

Agreed by all and signed off by the Chair (TV)

12/50 Matters arising. None

12/51 SODC and OCC Reports to Parish Council

PG explained that OCC were having to cut a further £20 million from their budget on top of the £50 million cuts planned. As a result OCC is undertaking an unplanned budget in tough times, but will endeavor to offer the best service they can. Subsidies are increasingly likely to be withdrawn from bus services, which could put village services under threat.

He announced that a pipe under the bridge bordering South Moreton will be introduced in 2016-17, alleviating flood problems. TV agreed to contact Gordon Hunt, OCC's County Drainage Engineer, for details.

12/52 Planning

P15/S3993/HH for development work at the following location: **Jervis Cottage**, Aston Street, Aston Tirrold. Proposed ground and first floor, side and rear extension. (amendment).

Recommended for approval – sympathetic to existing building – does not impact significantly on character of neighbouring listed building.

P15/S4108/HH single story rear extension: **Crossways**, Rectory Lane, Aston Tirrold.

Recommended for approval – Single storey orangery viewed as an improvement to earlier two-storey approved planning application extension.

P15/S4264/LB (Listed Building Consent). Proposed single storey extension to Farmhouse with basement below, conversion of existing outbuilding to form ancillary accommodation to Farmhouse **Popes Farm** Fullers Road Aston Tirrold OX11 9EN. Recommended for approval – subservient to existing listed building.

P15/S4263/HH (Householder). Proposed single storey extension to Farmhouse with basement below and conversion of existing outbuilding to form ancillary accommodation to Farmhouse

Popes Farm, Fullers Road Aston Tirrold OX11 9EN. Recommended for approval – subservient to existing listed building.

12/53 Finance

- i. The financial statements to 30th November and 31st December for the combined council were approved
- ii. **RESOLVED:** The Clerk was confirmed as delegate for electronic banking
- iii. With regards to audit arrangements for smaller councils, the PC elected to continue as is and not opt out.
- iv. The following payments were approved

Emma Anderson clerk fees for January	£250.00
Aston Tirrold and Upthorpe Village Hall fees for three meetings	£54.00

12/54 Recreation ground / ARC

The December ARC minutes were accepted

RESOLVED: A one-off Safari Supper donation of 10% of profits to ARC was approved

RESOLVED: ARC to be allowed to donate up to 20% of profits from future ARC events to charities was approved

12/55 Roads and Footpaths. It was agreed to gravel the paths in the spring with volunteer help. Date to be confirmed.

12/56 Agreeing the Precept for 2016 – 2017

BP went through the numbers for the precept. The figure of the precept was agreed at £16,490.00 for the coming year, a 10% increase year on year due to increased costs. BP was thanked for her work on the precept.

12/57 Bus Service. The village bus service(s) were discussed, as they could be impacted with the likelihood of subsidies being removed. Further clarification on the status of the services is being sought from OCC.

12/58 Planning permission guidelines. Postponed until February's meeting.

12/59 Website. Postponed until February's meeting.

12/60 Queen's 90th birthday celebration. Suggestion of a street party in June (11/12th). Initial volunteer interest is being sought to oversee a committee for this as a possible event. No decision taken yet.

12/61 BT Openreach broadband. Bruno Brunskill informed the PC that villagers are struggling to get BT Infinity broadband as a new cabinet is required. The latest update is that this will not arrive until September 2016. The PC thanked Bruno for keeping up the pressure on BT to deliver a service to villagers.

12/62 Community-Led Plan (JK). Naomi Simmonds from SODC detailed the processes regarding the next stage of the plan. An event in the village hall in March is being planned where villagers

come to hear the conclusions in the Key Findings report. This report is being prepared by the CLP committee and will be sent to Councillors ahead of the February PC meeting, when it will be discussed.

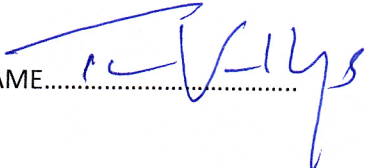
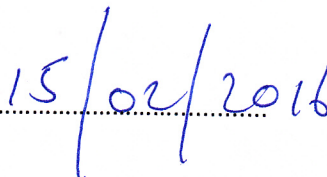
12/63 Public questions, comments or representations

Two questions were asked by Greg Locke.

- 1) The gravelling of the paths.
 - This is to be done in the Spring (see 12/55).
- 2) Green waste from the URC is being deposited on the path.
 - APT to contact URC.

The next meeting will be on Monday 15th February 2016 in the Village Hall at 8.00pm.
Meeting closed at 10.15 pm.

SIGNED FOR ASTON TIRROLD AND ASTON UPTHORPE PARISH COUNCIL

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