



AKELEY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 13/11/17
at 7.45pm in the Village Hall

Present: Terry Cavender (Chair), Jo Eastwood, Clair Flynn, John Hockley (Vice-Chair), Lorna Joy, Mike Mortimer, Rebecca Wheeler, Ellen Sayer (Clerk- outgoing) Julie Rodwell (Clerk – incoming).

M.o.P: Jackie Corcoran, Angela Hawker, Sherri Holland, Mary Taylor John Tibbetts and Warren Whyte.

1. APOLOGIES: None

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST RELATING TO ITEMS ON THIS AGENDA:

TC - his home partially overlooks the Coronation Cottages site referred to in 8. Planning.

RW – has submitted a planning application for the proposed restoration of existing outbuilding into small garden office referred to in 8. Planning.

3. ITEMS OF INTEREST & PUBLIC SESSION

BT Open Reach have underestimated the take-up rate for fibre-optic broad band and are now carrying out additional work in the village.

Alistair & Danni Gibbins are taking over the tenancy of The Bull & Butcher with effect from 4th December.

A request has been made to light the beacon in November 2018 to commemorate the end of WW1.

4. The **MINUTES** of the last meeting, held on **11 September 2017**, were proposed and seconded as a true record (CF, JE) and signed by TC.

5. MATTERS ARISING.

5a. Recreational Field - Replacement **basketball hoop** – the basketball hoop has been repaired and it was agreed that the existing hoop be lowered by 10 cm and the net replaced. Andy Gibbs has completed the repair to the platform of the **slide unit** as highlighted in the **RoSPA** report. CF will look into what replacement/additional equipment is required in the children's playground and will apply for funding through Tesco's Bags of Help local community grant scheme.

5b. Grass cutting

5c. Roads and traffic – The application for the funding of **Bollards** in front of the bus shelter in The Square has been progressed by the LAF, and is currently out for pricing. The **pavement** on Leckhampstead Road has still not been repaired- JE to forward details to Warren Whyte. **Gritting lorries** can now be tracked on the BCC website. Concern was expressed regarding the placing and removal of the **diversion signs** in respect of the closure of the A413 to allow work to be carried out to the B&B.

5d. Allotments – JE, no interest has been expressed in the vacant plots.

5e. Street lighting – The street light outside 2 Manor Road has finally been replaced. MM to look into the cost of replacing the older style lanterns with LED lights.

6. FINANCE and ACCOUNTS

The accounts for the period 08/09/17 to 10/11/17 were proposed and seconded (LJ, JE) and signed by TC who, along with the Clerk, signed The Receipts and Payments book.

The request from the Events Committee to replace the storm damaged beacon sign at a cost of £150.00 was approved. (MM, JH)

The 2018 quote for grounds maintenance was approved. (JE, CF). The contractor identified two areas requiring improvement to assist maintenance of the playing field and dog walk/wildflower area:

- I. The presence of molehills on the playing field does not allow the cutting height to be set low enough to give a good finish
- II. The lower branches of the trees around the dog walk/wild flower area need to be removed to allow machinery to operate closer

7. CORRESPONDENCE

NHS England – Proposed relocation of Swan Practice surgery from Verney Close to Lace Hill, Buckingham.

VALP - The final round of consultation on the Vale of Aylesbury Local Plan (VALP) is now under way and runs until Thursday 14th December.

Bus shelter cleaner – an application has been received for the post.

8. PLANNING

- **17/00074/REF - Land Adj Rose Cottage Chapel Lane Akeley Buckinghamshire**
Erection of two bedroom bungalow. **Appeal APP/J0405/W/17/318126317**
Appeal Allowed
- **17/02991/APP - Land Between 17 & 18 Coronation Cottages Akeley - Demolition**
of garage block and erection of four dwellings with associated access and parking
- **17/03108/APP – AKELEY - 4 Daisybank Main Street Akeley Buckinghamshire**
MK18 5HW - Proposed restoration of existing outbuilding into small garden office.
- **17/03523/APP - Home Farm Akeley Wood Lodge Road Akeley Buckinghamshire**
MK18 5BW - Extension to home farm cottage to form self contained flat

9. DATE OF NEXT MEETING.....January 8th 2018

Clerk to the Parish Council
17/11/17