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AYLESBEARE PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting of Aylesbeare Parish Council held virtually (online) on **Wednesday 5th May 2021** at 7.30pm.

PRESENT

Cllr Nick Warren (Chair)
Cllr Mark Branson (Vice Chair)
Cllr Anna Thompson
Cllr Jacky Owen
Cllr Kirsty Trude

IN ATTENDANCE: Jim Roberts (Clerk and RFO)

Others present: 3 members of the public

7:15pm Public Forum

Rosamondford static caravans, barns and new farm entrance. EDDC have taken enforcement action over the barns and the static caravans and written to the owner. The owner's agent has advised EDDC orally that some items will be removed, the trading will stop and proper applications will be made for some items.

The new field entrance is suspected to be a re-opening of an old entrance (which is permitted). The issue of mud on the road from tractor movements will be investigated by Highways when the weather is appropriate. During the recent dry spell there was no mud when the officer inspected.

The Speedwatch scheme will be relaunched now that the lockdown restrictions are being lifted. Cllr Trude is registered with the police as our co-ordinator.

Aylesbeare Parish Council fully supports the Keep Britain Tidy Spring Clean and hopes to help with litter pickers and hi-viz vests from EDDC when a litter pick can be safely organised.

The Chairman started the meeting at 7:36pm.

1 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Cllr Bailey.

2 Declarations of Interests in Items on the Agenda

No declarations were made.

3 Chairman's Remarks – Opening Welcome

The Chairman opened the meeting and welcomed everybody to May's Aylesbeare Parish Council meeting, hopefully the last one to be held online.

The Annual Parish Meeting had been held last night (4th May) and thanks to all who attended for an enjoyable meeting.

The Chairman confirmed that Chris Daly had resigned as a Councillor and he thanked him for all his work both as Councillor and Chairman.

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4 Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting – 7th April 2021

The minutes were accepted as a true record by the Council and the Chairman was authorised to sign on their behalf (unanimous). **Clerk to action**

5 Matters Arising

None.

6 Reports of County and District Councillors.

No reports. The Council recorded their thanks to Coucillor Wright who was standing down as DCC Cllr and wished her every success in the future

7 Playing Field, Play Area Lease and s106 Funding

7.1 The Council will need to consider the cashflow and reclaim of VAT to consider whether to invite tenders to include or exclude VAT. **Cllr Trude & Clerk to action**

7.2 The Council Will press EDDC to resolve the lease renewal. **Clerk to action**

7.3 Contractors to test the goalposts are proving hard to find. No safety or legal ruling can be found for the issue of square- vs round-section goalposts **Clerk to action**

8 Grass Cutting & Lengthsman

Cllr Trude has drawn up the Tender Document and will circulate it for final Council approval. Council resolved that the advert should be put in Topics and on Facebook using the Aylesbeare Buzz group. It is hoped someone local will be interested. Cllrs will also copy the Facebook posts into Otter, West Hill & Colaton Raleigh groups. **Clerk to action**

9 Upcoming Celebrations

9.1 **2022 Queens Jubilee** The Chairman suggested a flagpole could be installed for this occasion. The Church does not have a flagpole and doesn't need a lightening conductor. It was suggested that any villagers contact with Her Majesty could form part of the celebrations. It is hoped that children's parties will have resumed before the Jubilee weekend. The Cllrs agreed to give the ideas some thought and that they hoped to mark the jubilee with something visible.

9.2 **2023 Village Hall** Ann Turl is kindly looking into the history.

10 VHMC

10.1 The Council unanimously agreed to meet the cost of the village hall's insurance for 2020-21 which is £954.91 (prop Cllr Trude, sec Cllr Branson). **Clerk to action**

10.2 The VH treasurer had shared the insurance renewal with the clerk and their insurance covers the defibrillator. The Council unanimously resolved to insure the defibrillator in their own policy.

10.3 Ex-officio Trustees – The AGM held immediately before this meeting had appointed Cllrs Warren, Branson and Thompson as the VHMC Trustees. However, none of these Cllrs will take up the positions until the issue of Trustee indemnity has been satisfactorily concluded.

11 Planning

11.1 **Regulation 16 Consultation Colyton Neighbourhood Plan** – Council will look at Colyton's Plan before next meeting (deadline for comments is 22nd June).

All Cllrs to action

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11.2 [21/0843/FUL](#) **Common Farm**, EX5 2DG – No objections were raised.

11.3 [21/1082/FUL](#) **The Nightjar** - The Council were very sympathetic to the owner's plans for expanding the pub and they could fully appreciate the motivation to do so. However, the issues of noise, safety and smoking.

The Chairman suspended Standing Orders to allow a member of the public to speak

The resident was pleased with the Parish Council's attitude. He saw the capacity of the proposed deck was 12 people but the yard beneath was supposed to be for outside space. The developers had a 1 acre garden of outside space when they took over the site but chose to build on it (6 houses and tarmac).

The Chairman resumed Standing Orders

The Parish Council agreed the following comment - Aylesbeare Parish Council have sympathy with the intentions of this application but the limitations of the site make this development inviable and the Parish Council cannot support it. **Clerk to action.**

11.4 [21/1068/FUL](#) **McBains Antiques**, Exeter Airport (neighbouring Parish) – no objections were raised.

12 Finance

12.1 **Insurance Renewal** – Council instructed the clerk to seek alternative quotes to make sure that the defibrillator would be insured in the new policy. To ensure that the insurance was renewed on time (1st June) the clerk was authorised to pay up to £450 for a policy. This was agreed unanimously by the Council.

12.2 **Annual Governance and Accountability Return** – Council agreed unanimously to exempt the Parish from an additional audit this year (prop. Cllr Trude, sec Cllr Thompson).

12.3 Council noted the current balances

Current Account	£ 6489.07, less uncashed cheques (1884.08) =	£ 4604.89
	Reserve Account	£ 4847.88
	Recreation Fund Account	£ 694.48
	Total	£ 9787.35

12.4 Council unanimously resolved to authorise the payments listed (prop Cllr Trude, sec Cllr Owen).

To DALC for invoice 2685 (one year's affiliation)	£ 133.23
To J P Roberts (Clerk) for April's pay (221.75)	£ 221.95
To DCC Pension Fund	£ 69.22
To HMRC for PAYE Income Tax	£ 49.00

Clerk to action

8 Date of Next Meeting – Wednesday 2nd June 2021 at 7:30pm at the Village Hall.

There being no other business the Chairman closed the meeting at 8:38pm, thanking the Cllrs for their hard work.

Signed Date
Cllr N. R. Warren, Chairman