

DRAFT MINUTES OF THE ALDWORTH PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD ON MARCH 4th 2020 IN THE VILLAGE HALL AT 8 p.m.

PRESENT: Cllr T Chapman (Chairman)
Cllr N Williams (Vice Chairman)
Cllr J Clark
Cllr D Roach

Apologies: Cllr K Waters

Clerk: A J Ives

District Councillor: none

Public: none

1. **WELCOME TO THOSE PRESENT**
2. **DECLARATIONS**
3. **FORUM:** An email had been received and circulated from Maurice Allen, regards cutting the bank alongside the road this year.
The Clerk was asked to check the amount due. She would then write to M. Allen and wait for the invoice from Mr Garmston to arrive.
4. **Minutes of the January Meeting** were approved and signed for the Minute Book.
5. **MATTERS ARISING:** a) Ambury Road Drains - Clerk asked to check if work has been done, with West Berks Council.
b) The road surface throughout the villages is badly eroded in places with particular problems between the centre of the village and the Fourpoints pub where there are ruts along the edge of the road. Clerk to contact WBC.
c) solar panels-Westridge Manor. No reply yet from Gary Lugg over the complaint in the discrepancy of the wording, in the application for solar panels.
6. **FLOODING:** no serious flooding in the Aldworth area. Cllr Roach to contact Stuart Clark, chief engineer at WBC, about problems on the bend towards Streatley.
7. **CLOSE TSB.** A cheque in the sum of £548.57 was drawn on TSB and the Clerk was asked to pay in to Barclays. Clerk was asked to write in due course to TSB officially closing the account.
8. **STANDING ORDERS:** Another manual salary cheque for the Parish Clerk was raised for March as details may change. **A STANDING ORDER** letter was signed, regarding the Use of Home as Office monthly to the Clerk, starting in April 2020.
9. **PUBLIC LOAN:** letter has been received stating that April Direct Debit would be taken from Barclays and in the future.
10. **OTHER FINANCE:** 31st March end of year - Clerk to compile accounts into one report. Brian Burgess has agreed to be Internal Audit - many thanks from the Parish Council. He has also agreed to take over additions and removals on the website, as Mrs S. Westmeath is very poorly.

11. **PLANNING:** 3 Ambury Road is building a porch - Clerk and Chairman to look up on Google if a PA is needed.

12. **MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION AND INFORMATION:**

- (i) We have reason to believe that the converted garage at Kiddlington cottage, Westridge Green, is being used as a separate dwelling. Planning consent was for a garden room. Clerk to bring to the attention of WBC.
- (ii) A new road sign is needed at Pibworth crossroads. Clerk to contact Streetcare as Cllr Roach has had no response since last July.

The Meeting was closed at 8.45 p.m.

The next Meeting is planned for May 6th 8 p.m.

.....Chairman

Date