

ALSTONEFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

The Clerk to the Council- Liz Court, tel. no: 01538 702077

c/o The Village Hall, Alstonefield, Ashbourne, Derbyshire. DE6 2FR

Councillors: Nick Bonsall (310262). Dot Griffin (310249).
Frank Lipp (310302). Noel Peat (310000). Cathy Reavy (310125).
Kevin Stockton (310347) Rupert Hignett (310389)

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 18th February 2015 at Alstonefield Village Hall.

Present: Cllr D Griffin(Chair), Cllr N Peat, Cllr K Stockton, Cllr N Bonsall, Cllr C Reavy, SMDC Councillor Edwin Wain and Liz Court (Clerk)

5 members of the public were also present.

Apologies were received from Cllrs Lipp & Hignett

60 Public Forum - Nothing was raised.

61 Minutes of Previous Meeting- agreed and signed

62 Declarations of Interest - none

63 Planning Matters

63.1 Crewe & Harpur Cottage, Alstonefield, Proposed conversion of outbuilding to self-catering holiday unit.

The Clerk was asked to submit comments regarding consideration of ample off road parking.

63.2 The Clays, Alstonefield, Construction of new access drive including associated landscaping. **The Clerk was asked to confirm that there were no objections to the new access but that consideration should be given to the suggested route and associated landscaping in support of a neighbour's request as well as suggesting a row of trees for additional screening.**
Clerk to action

63.3 Planning decisions

Crewe & Harpur Cottage, Proposed alterations and extension to dwelling and conversion of outbuildings to ancillary accommodation.

Alstonefield Manor, extension to dwelling, conversion of outbuilding to ancillary accommodation and creation of new vehicular access. **Both granted and noted**

64 Financial Matters

64.1 Precept setting for 2015-16 requested figure of £8007.42 plus Council Tax support grant of £156.58 submitted by 31st January 2015

64.2 Payments

- i. Ian Redfern – Wages £218.00 plus mower/machinery repairs £163.38 **ratified and paid**
- ii. Alstonefield Memorial Hall – hire cost for meetings £140.00 **ratified and paid**
- iii. Terrasofta – 2 tonnes of rubber chippings plus delivery £807.00 **ratified and paid**

64.3 Monies Received

64.3.1– Car Park – honesty boxes

Playing Field Car Park - £8.30 Toilet Car Park- £17.70

£24.00 Alstonefield Cricket Club – towards mowing

Councillor Wain made a presentation to Sue Lovatt at this point of a cheque for **£250.00** to the Memorial Hall towards the Hearing Loop in the Hall.

65. Playing Field Matters

65.1 Play Area Safety Check Confirmation – 10th February 2015

65.2 Playing Field on-going maintenance folder – no amendments to be made

65.3 Car Park – honesty box – report on any monies collected prior to February meeting

Playing Field Car Park - £5.73 Toilet Car Park- £15.11

66. General Parish Matters

66.1 Gritting routes through the Parish were discussed especially with regard to the road from Lode Mill towards the A515. Whilst it was noted that this falls into DCC, it was suggested that some cross county co-operation would be very effective here. Cllr Wain offered to speak to Gill Heath and Mark Deauville regarding this blackspot where gritting is needed. This led to a conversation regarding the lack of grit piles in the parish this year and the Clerk was asked to find out whether sites had been identified for additional grit bins.

Clerk to action

66.2 Feedback regarding concerns at the recycling area was given and the contact noted. It was also noted that the bins had been emptied recently.

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66.3 Play Area chippings –Cllr Reavy gave information regarding the latest quotation for 2 tonnes of rubber chippings from Terrasofta and after samples have been examined, it was agreed that these be ordered and delivered to Cllr Griffin's address prior to the work being carried out.

66.4 Car Boot Dates 2015 – the Clerk was asked to contact Mr Allen to request a copy of the insurance and the booking form to be completed. **Clerk to action**

66.5 Wall behind the glass recycling bins on Playing Field Car Park – the lengthsman has been asked to repair this.

66.7An update regarding finger post signage on National Trust land was noted.

67. Correspondence in - all noted.

68. Any Other Business

68.1 Councillor Peat reported that the debris at the bottom of the Pinch due to water flow is particularly bad at the moment. The Clerk was asked to contact Gill Heath to ask when the Neighbourhood Highways team were due into the Parish as this is a job which could be done by them in the spring. **Clerk to action**

68.2 The Clerk gave an update regarding the mobile home near Paddock House Farm.

68.3 Councillor Stockton gave details regarding the data gained from the box at The Rakes. Cllr Stockton will do another campaign for volunteers and Cllr Heath has offered some assistance with equipment and training. Signage options were also discussed. This led to discussion regarding speeding through Hopedale, The Clerk was asked to check with Cllr Heath whether signage for Hopedale had been agreed in the past – and what stage this was at if so. **Clerk to action**

68.4 The Spring Clean date was confirmed as 21st March and this will be put into the next newsletter. Cllr Bonsall noted that he would not be available on the day but would do the stretch between The Watts Russell and Damgate.

The Clerk was asked to put the Spring Clean and the next meeting date into the March newsletter.

Date of Next Meeting: Wednesday 1st April 2015

Future meetings: 20th May (Cllr Griffin & Cllr Lipp have given their apologies for this meeting), 1st July, 12th August, 23rd September, 4th November and 16th December 2015.