

# ALSTONEFIELD PARISH COUNCIL

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

Councillors: Nick Bonsall (310262)  
Alan Hayes (310057) Rupert Hignett (310389)  
Gordon Campbell (07919353800) Richard Butler (310620)  
Carrie Osborne (310453)

## Minutes of the meeting held on 27<sup>th</sup> February 2019

Present: Cllr R Butler, Cllr N Bonsall, Cllr C Osborne, Cllr G Campbell, Cllr R Hignett, Cllr A Hayes, and Liz Court (Clerk)

District Councillor Edwin Wain

3 members of the public were also present

### Parish Council Meeting

- 1 **Public Forum** - A member of the Parish discussed a potential planning application prior to its submission to the PDNPA. Formal comment will be made once the final plans are submitted via PDNPA and consulted upon and the public have been notified via the agenda as usual.  
A member of the Parish wished to discuss the planning application detailed on the agenda re Carver Cottage – this item was brought forward. The plans were inspected and discussed. There were no objections and the Council were happy to support the application.
- 2 **Minutes of Previous Meeting – ratified**
- 3 **Declarations of Interest – nothing declared**
- 4 **Planning Matters:**  
**NP/SM/1218/1207** Application to extend existing house into adjacent barn and to rear of property – Carver Cottage, Beresford Lane – **no objections see above**  
Notification of Appeal to Secretary of State in respect of refusal of application at Hope Farm, Hope, Alstonefield – **noted**
- 5 **Financial Matters**  
**Precept** figure finalized and paperwork completed as per January meeting  
**Payments**
  - 5.1.1.1 M K Griffin – timber supplied for bench repairs - **£102.00**
  - 5.1.1.2 E James – clerk's wages 4<sup>th</sup> Quarter - **£693.21**
  - 5.1.1.3 Ian Redfern – lengthsman's wages **£175.50**
  - 5.1.1.4 Peter Frost- lengthsman's wages and expenses for 2018-19 season - **£1039.76****5.2 Monies Received**  
Car Park Honesty Boxes **Playing Field Car Park - £29.65 Toilet Car Park- £16.04**
6. **Playing Field Matters**
  - 6.1 Play Area Safety Check Confirmation - last detailed January 2019
  - 6.2 Playing Field on-going maintenance – nothing reported
  - 6.3 Hardstanding –Cllr Osborne met and passed on a copy of all the information to the person who came forward volunteering to help. She will look to take this forward if there is sufficient interest.
7. **General Parish Matters**
  - 7.1 Benches – outstanding offer from a member of the public to fund a bench. Responses from Village Hall Committee and National Trust discussed and Clerk to take forward.
  - 7.2 Policies to be reviewed and ratified by May 2019 – Financial Regulations, Risk Assessment & Standing Orders – to be added to April Agenda.
  - 7.3 Spring Clean Day 23<sup>rd</sup> March 2019 – 9.30am meet at the Village Hall – Tree & Highways survey to be undertaken, Milldale road – to be done by Cllrs Hignett and Campbell as in previous years), Church and Churchyard will be done at the same event.
  - 7.4 Car Boot Sales dates for 2019. Awaiting booking form and insurance from Mr Allen – booking form received. Awaiting insurance forms.
8. **Correspondence in** - Bank statements
9. **Any Other Business**

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There was discussion on whether planning permission had been sought for a parking space being created outside a property in the Parish. The Council was not aware of whether planning permission would have been needed.

The Clerk was asked to contact SCC Highways again regarding the continuing blockage of the bridleway at Stanshope. Currently, this is blocked by bales, rocks and a tree stump. Clerk to contact Highways again.

Councillor Osborne asked whether the Parish should be arranging a Conservation Area Appraisal. Councillor Osborne will look at more information for the next meeting.

It was noted that the bins at Milldale had not been emptied frequently enough over the recent very good weather. It was recognised that the bins are still under the winter timetable for emptying and that the weather had been unseasonal.

The Chair reported that an idea for a Christmas Tree to be sited on the big green opposite The George. The landlord of The George has offered to fund this initiative. It was felt to be a good idea and appropriate fixings will be considered.

The Clerk reported that a member of the public had been in touch as they had left a GPS device in the parish. Nothing had been reported as found.

The results of the Duke of Edinburgh survey were noted.

It was reported that a car key had been found in the Parish – no one has come forward as yet to claim this.

The Clerk was asked to contact Mr Barley at National Trust to thank him for the work done around the Pinch and to ask when the work up the side of Lode Lane is due to take place.

#### **10. Date of Next Meeting - 3<sup>rd</sup> April 2019**