

Aylesford Parish Council

Policy & Resources Committee

Minutes of the Meeting held via in the Capel Morris Centre on Tuesday 1 March 2022

Present: Councillor Shelley (Chairman) and Councillors Balcombe, Ms Dorrington, Mrs Eves, Mrs Gadd, Gledhill, Ludlow, Rillie, Sharp, Smith, Sullivan, Walker and Winnett.

In Attendance: Melanie Randall (Clerk)

Apologies: Councillors Fuller, Hammond, Mrs Ogun, Ms Oyewusi and Williams.

1. Apologies for Absence

Apologies of Absence from Councillors Fuller, Hammond, Mrs Ogun, Ms Oyewusi and Williams were received, and the reasons for absence agreed.

2. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest additional to those contained in the Register of Members Interests.

3. Minutes of the last meeting held on 1 February 2022

It was **Agreed** that the Minutes of the meeting held on 1 February 2022 be approved as a correct record and signed.

4. Accounts for Payment

The Council considered the Payment Schedule attached to the Agenda and Councillor Balcombe proposed and Councillor Ms Dorrington Seconded and it was **Agreed** that 45 payments totalling £42,625.57 be made.

5. Finance Advisory Sub Committee

It was **Agreed** to note the minutes of the meeting held on 22 February 2022 and to recommend to Council that Minute 5, Statement of Internal Control be approved.

6. Law and Order

6.1 CCTV in the High Street, Aylesford

The Clerk reported that the next stage was for the contractor to carry out some tests at the site to ensure the signal reaches the Parish Office. The Clerk is in the process of obtaining the necessary information around current regulations and will get final permission from KCC to erect the camera to the streetlighting column.

Ongoing

6.2 Police Report

The reports for January and February 2022 were received and noted.

Noted

7. KALC

The notes of the meeting held on 24 February 2022 were received and noted.

Noted

8. TMBC/Parish Partnership Panel Meeting

No report received since the last meeting of this committee.

Noted

9. Council Vacancies

It was Noted that there are currently no Vacancies.

Noted

10. Public Convenience Review

There was no update as the Clerk needs to look at the lease and make arrangements to have the lease altered to take into account the planned conversion.

Ongoing

11. The Governments Welcome Back Fund

The Clerk reported that the two planters have arrived and will be installed shortly.

Closed

12. RBLI Base Camp

A Councillor stated that there didn't seem to be any allowance for small community groups to use/hire the Base Camp now. After discussion the Council would like to know what the RBLIs principles are in this area as it was believed that this was the intended purpose of Base Camp. The Clerk will make some enquiries and report back.

Ongoing

13. Adoption of Aylesford Station

The Clerk suggested that the Chairman should write the information for the planned story board which he agreed to.

Ongoing

14. Aylesford Flood Plan

There was no update as the Clerk has not yet received confirmation from the St Peter and St Paul's Church that the Church could be used in the event of a flood in the village and residents have to leave their homes. The Clerk will report back when she is informed of a decision. It was acknowledged that more Flood Wardens were needed.

Ongoing

15. Section 106 Wish List

Councillor Fuller given his apologies for the meeting however he had given the Clerk the following update. He had spoken to the Rugby Club about things that could maybe benefit them, had a discussion with a local resident who has a lot of knowledge about Bridle Ways in the Parish as it is possible S106 funds could be used in this area. He has also approached Aylesford Secondary School and has emailed the Cricket Club at Blue Bell Hill. An Excel spreadsheet is being put together with all the suggestions and the idea is that TMBC can then tell the Parish what could be funded through S106 Agreements and what cannot.

Ongoing

16. To consider moving the Parish Annual Meetings due to TMBC's being on the same night.

The Clerk reported that the Annual Meetings of the Parish Council are on the 10 May 2022, which unfortunately clashes with TMBC's. Therefore; in order that the Borough Councillors have the opportunity to attend the Parish Councils Annual Meetings it should be moved to the following week to 17 May 2022. It was **Agreed** to change the date and also the venue from the original location of the Aylesford Football Club Pavilion to the Capel Morris Centre if it is available.

Closed

17. Any Other Correspondence

The Clerk informed members that she has been informed by the Football Club that the proposed 3G Pitch on Forstal Rec is now estimated at a total cost of 1.2m Inc. vat. The Football Foundation have agreed to fund more than they originally agreed to. The reason for the increase is mainly the cost of materials.

18. Duration of Meeting

7.41pm to 8.07pm