OVER ALDERLEY ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD

MONDAY 14TH MARCH, 2016 at 7:30 p.m.

at OVER ALDERLEY & BIRTLES READING ROOM, BIRTLES LANE, OVER ALDERLEY.

PRESENT - Councillors: D. Burns (Chairman), J. Venables, S. Clarke
Members of Public (2).
Dr. E. M. Maddock - Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer, Over Alderley Parish Council.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE - Councillors S. Wren, D. Caplin, J. Potts, I. Beaumont.
Cheshire East Borough Councillor P. Findlow.

2. MINUTES -

1/APM/16 Resolved a) That the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held 16th March, 2015 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

Proposed Councillor S. Clarke Seconded Councillor J. Venables All in favour

3. PARISH COUNCIL CHAIRMAN'S REPORT FOR THE CIVIC YEAR 2015/16 -

Councillor D. Burns expressed a vote of thanks to Councillor S. Clarke for her work as Clerk during the early part of the 2015/16 year which had been much appreciated. Last autumn the Parish Council appointed a new Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer, Dr. Elizabeth M. Maddock. In addition, the Parish Council now has a full complement of Councillors following the co-option of Mr. Ian Beamont who will be welcomed to the Parish Council in May, 2016. It was noted that the Parish Council continues to provide financial support to the Over Alderley & Birtles Reading Room which provides a valuable amenity within the Parish. An expression of thanks was also extended to Mr. D. Hobson for his work to ensure the continued success of the allotments at Ashbrook Road.

4. FINANCE & ACCOUNTS -

The Clerk reported that the financial position of the Parish Council is reported to each meeting and detailed information is available should anyone have any queries. The latest financial statement shows that there will be a small surplus at the end of the year (£14).

5. THE OVER ALDERLEY COUNTY PRIMARY SCHOOL CHARITY -

Councillor D. Burns reported that once again there is very little to report. Until such time as the legalities can be resolved, and the sale of the former school can proceed, we as a charity can only hope that eventually monies will be available for our charity to become operative. We as a charity, have no say in the sale of the former school, we are merely beneficiaries of an unknown sum of monies.

6. PUBLIC FORUM -

A resident raised concern regarding the proposed relocation of Kings School from Macclesfield to Prestbury. It was considered that this would have an adverse impact upon traffic flow and highway safety of the B5087 especially bearing in mind that there would be four schools within close proximity which would have a cumulative impact upon the highway network.

Councillor D. Burns reported that there had been a recent highway survey of the B5087, however, no major improvement schemes were planned.

It was noted that the Parish Council were to consider this item at their meeting later this evening when a decision could be taken to submit representations in respect of this planning application (15/4286M). It was noted, however, that the key concerns related to:

1. Impact upon traffic flow - increased vehicle numbers.
2. Potential accidents.
3. Parking arrangements - potential for highway parking to cause traffic disruption.
4. Site not suitable for coach access.

The meeting was closed by the Chairman at 8:05p.m.

Signed: ..... Approval Date - 20th March, 2017