

# Over Alderley Parish Council meeting

## Minutes for 29<sup>th</sup> June 2015

Attendees: John Potts, David Burns, Sue Wren, John Venables, Cllr Paul Findlow, Susan Clarke

### Agenda:

1. Apologies from David Caplin.
2. Minutes of the previous meeting were approved.
3. Matters arising:
  - a. The National Trust for Hare Hill presented outline plans for a new car park, visitor entrance and toilet facilities. They explained the septic tank challenges and current lack of facilities, as well as drainage plans for the car park. It was noted that entrance and passing places remain unchanged. The councillors appreciated the early consultation and supported the logic for the changes, but requested improved signage for local footpaths, to keep increased pedestrian numbers away from the dangers of the B5087. Emma (head gardener) agreed to liaise with Alderley Edge NT to improve signage on Hill Top specifically. Also, to investigate any opportunity to flatten grass verges. Plans will be submitted and likely to need approval before the September Parish meeting, but if they are as discussed, the parish will support them, so no meeting will be needed.
  - b. No B5087 route review Highways update; due imminently. PF to inform when enws.
  - c. John Potts has booked reading rooms.
4. Correspondence:
  - a. The resignation of Susan Clarke as parish clerk was accepted. Action SC to contact Prestbury and Nether Alderley clerks to ask whether they would take on the work. In progress. Also, to ask Chalc for support. In progress. If these approaches fail, to place an ad on Alderley edge.com, notices on the noticeboards. The fee was agreed as £500, which was deemed suitable for 5 meetings a year, plus expenses.
5. Planning:
  - a. No objections to Baguley Farm.
  - b. No objections to footpath changes
6. Finances:
  - a. Internal audit recommendations regarding allotment invoicing were noted.
  - b. The annual account reconciliation was noted.
  - c. Action D Burns to obtain a Feb-June Natwest statement to complete actions for the external audit. In progress.
  - d. The annual risk statement was reviewed. The council considered the addition of the allotments, and other assets (benches, noticeboards) and held a general discussion of other areas for potential risk. As a result, it was decided that the risk profile had not altered, so no action is required.
7. Members reports:
  - a. No update from the School Charity



- b. PF gave an update on the meeting with BT regarding broadband provision at Mottram. In summary, further deployments may be scheduled but are far from certain. The parishes remain in the last 1% in the country, as costs to deploy to houses are high but the local council representative is willing to meet and there is potential for alternative solutions. PF will continue to make representations on behalf of local parishes, and is ensuring Over Alderley is included in on-going discussions and plans.
8. Any other business
- a. SW requested Highways fault logged for pot hole in Baguley Lane as Mr Garton had expressed concern for horse's health and there was potential to sue the council. E Cheshire Highways Fault log reference 3231502 (noted in email to PF).
9. Date of next meeting: Monday 14<sup>th</sup> September at 1945.



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