

Aldwick Parish Council

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Minutes of the MEETING (444) OF THE PARISH COUNCIL

Held on **Monday, 8th August 2022 at 7pm**

In the Aldwick Parish Council Office.

Those present: Cllr Mr A Smith (Chairman), Cllr Mr J Bass (vice-Chairman), Cllr Mr A Patel, Cllr Mrs G Edom, Mrs C Birch, Cllr Mr R Gotheridge, Cllr Mrs Rufey & Cllr Ms D Thas.

In attendance: The Clerk & Deputy Clerk, Dist. Cllr Mr H Coster; Dist. Cllr Mr T Dixon & 1 candidate for Co-option.

Apologies: Cllr Mr Garner – family illness. Apologies accepted.

The meeting opened at: 7pm

051.22c **Declarations of Interest** – None

052.22c **To co-opt a Councillor to Aldwick Parish Council** – Diana Thas introduced herself and gave a brief account of her reasons for joining the council and answered questions posed to her by members. It was proposed, seconded and carried unanimously that Diana Thas is co-opted onto the Council.

053.22c **Any matters that the Chairman may wish to bring to the notice of the Council for information.** The Chairman stated that he would give a report under item 14 (minute no.063.22).

054.22c To receive:
Questions from members of the public - None
and **representations from any Councillor** who has a prejudicial interest in any of the following agenda items: - None.

055.22c **To approve the minutes of the Council Meeting (443) held on Monday, 27th June 2022.** Resolved, that the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 27th June 2022 having been circulated in advance and read be adopted, as a true record.

056.22c **Clerk's Report and Actions**

075.21c The Avisford Park toilets refurbishment project has been completed. (*It was noted that the newly refurbished toilets had been recently vandalised, and the matter reported to the police. It was reported that an incident of verbal aggression towards a dog walker had also been reported to the police.*)

076.21c The Avisford Park Basketball court opening ceremony has been performed.

045.22c/ 010.22a Payment has been made to WSCC for 12 new trees to be planted within various locations of the parish of Aldwick.

046.22c The work to clear the fruit trees and vegetation on Plot 10 has been completed.

057.22c **To consider reports from the following: District Councillors and County Councillors representing Aldwick**

D. Cllr Coster reported the following:

- Arun intends installing spinners over one of the windows of the centre at Westmeads in an effort to reduce anti-social behaviour.
- A taxed vehicle parked on Silverstone Avenue with no MOT had now been removed.
- Arun District councillors voted against reviewing the Local Plan despite the statutory duty to do so.

D. Cllr Dixon reported the following:

- That a replacement litter bin will be re-installed in West Park nearer to the dog waste bin on the northern end.

C. Cllr Patel reported the following:

- Nearly all WSCC recycling centres can now accept hard plastic.
- WSCC launched a campaign to find parents for children waiting the longest to be adopted.
- WSCC school meal catering team has won Catering Business of the year award.
- WSCC has published its annual report for 2021/22 improving services during a challenging year.

058.22c To Receive the minutes from the following Committees:

- a) **Planning** Dated: 4th July, 20th July (moved from 18th July) & 1st August 2022 – received.
- b) **Finance** Dated: 20th July (moved from 18th July) - received
- c) **Amenities** Dated: 11th July- received

059.22c The Planning Committee has proposed the following recommendations:

	None for this meeting	
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060.22c The Amenities Committee has proposed the following recommendations:

	None for this meeting	
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061.22c The Finance Committee has proposed the following recommendations:

	None for this meeting	
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062.22c To agree to replace the blown window in the Parish Office and the front door UPVC unit as per the attached quote.

Proposed, seconded and carried. Members noted that the cost may have increased slightly due to the time lapse since the quote was issued. Members authorised and delegated the Clerk to have the work completed before the winter.

063.22c To consider reports from Councillors who are Council Representatives on outside bodies

- The Vice Chairman reported on the official opening of the multi- purpose court at Avisford Park.
- Cllr Gotheridge reported that his recent meeting with WSCC Highways Dept., will be given as a written report in due course and questions can be taken at the next Council meeting.
- The Chairman attended a new forum group, Arun Parish Online with the Police and Arun District Council which involves reports on what is going on in the Parish.
- The Chairman attended the Joint Arun Group (JAG) meeting on 3rd August. Notes will be passed on when published. He added that any issues relating to Police matters within the Parish can be passed to the Chairman who will take them to the next meeting.

064.22c Questions to the Chairman or Clerk previously submitted in writing.

None for this issue.

065.22c Correspondence for Council

- (i) Report of vandalism from Arun District Council regarding the newly refurbished Avisford Park toilets
- (ii) Arun District Council are donating 100+ trees to Parish and Town Councils within the district and the Clerk has passed this to the Natural Environment working group.
- (iii) Positive feedback from a resident regarding the Play Rangers events.
- (iv) Notification from Around District Council regarding a replacement bin.

Date and time of next meeting: **Monday, 19th September 2022 at 7pm**

The meeting closed at: 19.46 p.m.

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