

# Aldwick Parish Council

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## MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE AMENITIES COMMITTEE

**Held on Monday, 27<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at 6.30 pm** at Aldwick Parish Offices.

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**Present:** Cllr Mrs S Coppard (Vice-Chairman) Cllr Mr A. Smith, Cllr Mrs J Rufey, Cllr Mrs Richardson, Cllr Mrs S Stallard, Cllr Mrs C Birch, Cllr Mrs G Edom and Cllr Mr R Gotheridge.

**In Attendance:** The Clerk, Deputy Clerk & 1 Member of the public.

**Apologies received:** Cllr Mr Bass (Chairman) – recovering from an operation.

The meeting opened at: 6.30 p.m. by the Vice Chairman

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**074.19a Declarations of Interest by Members**

None.

**075.19a To approve the Minutes of the Amenities Meeting held on Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> December 2019.**

Resolved, members agreed that the minutes of the meeting of Monday, 16<sup>th</sup> December 2019, having been circulated in advance, be taken as read and signed by the Chairman as a true record.

**076.19a Any matters the Chairman wishes to lay before the Committee relevant to Amenities for information.**

None for this issue.

**077.19a Clerk's Report and Actions**

**055.19a** Re-placement Plaque in Nyetimber Road is still being processed.

**068.19a** The Solar Panels working group will hold their first meeting directly after the completion of the Amenities meeting.

**069.19a** Still waiting on a reply from Arun District Council regarding more information on the 'Green Walkers Scheme.' The scheme is posted on the Aldwick Parish council website.

**070.19a** The Clerk has completed and returned the Arun District Council, 'Public Space Protection Order' consultation, stating the Committee's comments and recommendations.

**078.19a To receive;  
Questions from members of the public - None**

**Representations from any Councillor who has a prejudicial interest in any of the following agenda items – None.**

**079.19a To receive an update from Cllr Smith regarding any feedback received from other parishes with reference to West Sussex County Council's Service Levels Presentation, see min no;067.19a.**

Cllr Mr Smith reported that he will be attending a meeting with Arun District Council on 28<sup>th</sup> January to gain their feedback on the West Sussex County Council presentation and stated that Pagham Parish council are not in favour of using volunteers but are considering funding a small scale operation with allocated funds; also he has a meeting planned with Bersted Parish Council to discuss this matter on the 4th February 2020.

**080.19a To appoint additional members to the Council Facilities Working Group.**  
It was proposed, seconded and carried that Cllr Mr Smith and Cllr Mrs Edom join the group. The membership now consists of; Cllr Mrs Coppard, Cllr Richardson and the above.

**081.19a To agree a meeting date for the Council Facilities Working Group to meet.**  
Members agreed to meet on Monday, 10<sup>th</sup> February at 6.30 p.m.

**082.19a To agree and propose to Council that Aldwick Parish Council formally signs up to the ‘Parish on-line’ new improved version at a 70% reduction for smaller Councils. This a three-year arrangement dependant on a substantial majority of the 137 local councils in West Sussex take up this offer; we believe they have.**

LOCAL COUNCIL	LIST Full Price	SOLO 40%	GROUP 70%
Large local council	£ 1,500.00	£ 900.00	£ 450.00
Medium local council	£ 450.00	£ 270.00	£ 135.00
Smaller local council	£ 100.00	£ 60.00	£ 30.00

It was proposed, seconded and carried that Aldwick Parish Council sign up as a smaller local council, this will now be proposed to Full Council.

**083.19a To receive reports and updates on:**

- Footpaths** – None for this issue
- Allotments** – None for this issue
- Ditches/Drainage** – Cllr Gotheridge reported that some gullies are full and over-flowing and that he will be report these via the ‘Love West Sussex’ website.
- Anti-Social Behaviour issues** – Nothing to report.
- Avisford Park/Westmead Public Conveniences** – Cllr Smith reported that these facilities were currently in good order

**084.19a To receive updates from the following working groups;**

- Council Facilities Working Group** – None for this issue.
- Tree Planting working group** – Cllr Mrs Birch reported that the group had met with Arun Officers and discussed the following: (copy of the full report is available from the Clerk).
  - The fallen tree at West Park was discussed and its replacement.
  - Arun District Council have agreed to plant some more trees on the boundary of Queensfield at West Meads. Also, there is also a dead tree on West Sussex land at West Meads that needs to be removed and replaced.
  - Arun District Council are monitoring the condition of the trees near the public conveniences at Avisford Park.
  - Possible agreement on the siting of a tree donation by the local W.I.
  - The next meeting will be held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> after the Planning.

**085.19a Correspondence for the Amenities Committee.**

- The Clerk reported that more information regarding the Green Dog Walkers programme was now available.

The date and time of the next Amenities meeting is;

**Monday, 9<sup>th</sup> March 2020 @ 6.30pm**

The meeting closed at @ 7.00 p.m.