

ALBURY PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 7th June, 2011 at 06.45 pm in Village Hall

Those Present: Paul Cole, Derek Kendle, Brigitte Webster, Spencer Hoy, Tracey Waples & Mandy Hutley (Clerk)

Public: Liz Davis, Mike Davis and Dean Palmer

ACTION

1. Apologies for absence: None
2. Notification of urgent business not included in the agenda. Election of Officers to the Council. Paul Cole was proposed for re-election as Chairman by Tracey Waples and seconded by Brigitte Webster. Brigitte Webster was re-elected as Vice-Chairman and Derek Kendle as Finance officer, both unopposed.
3. Minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 3rd May, 2011
RESOLVED: that the minutes of the meeting held on 3rd May, 2011 be signed as a true record.
4. Declaration of interest. None
5. None . The 3 Members of Public were present to attend the Annual Parish Meeting, no questions were raised at the Council meeting.
6. Report from Clerk.
Streetlighting The streetlights in Albury (only in The Bourne) will be switched off between midnight and approximately 0600 hrs each night, starting within the next 18 months. (Letter from Rob Smith Transport **Management EHDC**)
Draft Bus and Intalink Strategy Consultation. The proposed Local Transport Plan is now available to view on www.hertsdirect.org/ltp. **Contact is T Grigg** at County Hall
7. Report from Finance officer
Payment made to SLCC for annual subscription
Bank to be contacted to update recipients of statements and correspondence.
Also copy statement required for period 01/01/11 . 28/02/11 - SH
Albury Charitable Trust . bank charges refunded as requested. Unfortunately, no interest has been shown by residents, in vacant trustee position.
Annual Accounts to be closed and Audit will now take place.
8. Planning Applications
EHDC wish to submit details of all new Applications by email. This was discussed and agreed. Letter to be sent confirming agreement and requesting how process will ensure all Applications are received and what time-frames will

apply. Chairman will be the Council's contact - MH / PC

9. Parish Council Election

No new nominations were received. Sufficient existing members (4) agreed to stand to form a quorum, therefore the election will not now take place.

Additional members can be co-opted up to 35 days after the intended election date of 5th May, 2011.

Annual Parish Meeting

The annual Parish Meeting will take place Tuesday 7th June, 2011 at 19.30 in the Village Hall. All are welcome to attend. The main topic for discussion will be the renovation of the children's playground and the Chairman will give a short presentation covering the Council's initial proposal

10. Playground project

Additional funding will be requested from Stansted Airport Community Trust, who are offering financial support of local projects - PC

11. Footpaths Enquiry 12 . 19th April, 2011

All interested parties were given the opportunity to express their views, attended by their Legal Council. The outcome is now awaited.

12. Repairs to access bridge at Patmore Heath

No official response has yet been received from EHDC Highways Dept. However it has been intimated that the responsibility for this may lie with the residents who use the bridge. An interim letter is to be sent to the residents who raised the issue - MH

13. AOB

The Council will support the efforts of Bishop's Stortford Civic Federation in their opposition to the proposed development of some 3,000 dwellings between the Tesco roundabout and Rye Street. A letter will be sent accordingly - MH

14. Next Meeting Date

The next meeting will take place Tuesday 7th June, 2011 at 18.45 followed by the annual Parish Meeting

Signed ..

Date ..

Paul Cole (Chairman)

Fly-tipping on the site . the access gate to the road is unsecured. Council to take up the matter with Thames Water, who has responsibility for the sewage

plant adjacent to the allotments - MH

Escape of foul water from manholes on the site after heavy rain . Thames

Water will be asked to investigate and rectify - MH

Use of the public footpath by horses . Council to contact EHDC Rights of Way

Service re new footpath signage - MH

Frequent dog-fouling . Will arrange appropriate signage for the footpath - MH

An inspection of the allotment site was carried out after the Meeting.