

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF
ASFORDBY PARISH COUNCIL
THURSDAY 19TH JANUARY 2017

PRESENT

Councillors: R De Burle (Chairman)

J Pryce, D Anderson, S Boyden, K De Burle, C Summerland, B Attwood, M Boyden

Parish Clerk

119/Co/16 **Apologies for Absence**

Cllr s R Cousen & J Cousen had advised that they would either be late or unable to attend .

120/Co/16 **Disclosures of Interests**

Cllr R De Burle declared an interest in matters relating to Melton Borough Council, Cllr Summerland declared an interest in matters relating to Parish Grounds Maintenance Contracts

121/Co/16 **Chairmans Report**

- The new Responsible Finance Officer had been appointed and had started work

122/Co/16 **Minutes of the Last Meeting**

The minutes of the last meeting held on 15th December 2016 were confirmed as a true and accurate record

123/Co/16 **Co-options**

Pat Lamb requested co-option onto the Parish Council. Councillors agreed that she be allowed to join.

124/Co/16 **Public Forum**

1. Station Lane has a 7.5t restriction on it, were there any signs indicating this?
2. Is it correct that dogs are not allowed in the Cemetery & Allotments?
3. People are not picking up after their dogs on Jubilee Park and grass verges, can anything be done regarding this?

Responses

1. The sign was on the Leicester Road end of Station Lane
2. Dogs should be on leads within the Cemetery and in the Allotments. The only dogs on the allotments should be ones belonging to allotment holders
3. If a dog fouls and a dog owner does not pick it up the owner can be reported to Melton Borough Councils Environmental Health Department. Jubilee Park will shortly have CCTV fitted which will make it easier to identify owners failing to pick up.

125/Co/16 **Committee Reports**

- Parish Hall

The red around the bottom of the hall had now been painted over and the hall looked much better. CCTV was due to be installed outside the hall. The fob system was now fully installed and in operation. Machines were being purchased to clean and polish the hall floor. There were new projects lined up for the new financial year.

- Cemetery & Allotments

Public drop in session on Saturday 14th Jan went really well, well attended, thanks to all Councillors that turned out for the session

- Recreation & Risk Management

Wall repairs had been completed at Riverside Walk. The gardens at the same location had been tidied and would be seeded later in the year

- Finance

Implementing BACS payment system. Financial Regulation & Standing Order review will be deferred to February's meeting

- Planning

Station Lane – Everything highlighted by the Parish Council has been done at Melton Planning Meeting on 12th January. Neighbourhood Plan is going for examination, if the Independent Examiner passes the plan it will go for referendum

- Events

Nothing to report

- Financial Matters

The monthly list of expenditure had been circulated to Councillors and questions were invited. There was a query asking what the payment to Grenke Leasing was for. It was explained that the payment was for the new hired photocopier. The payment to Ricoh was a termination fee which was being paid back to the Parish Council by Kingfisher who had arranged the new cheaper lease. The high British gas payment was due to British Gas not collecting any monies by direct debit as their bills had previously shown so a cheque had been raised instead as we had now switched supplier.

126/Co/16 **Budget Setting & Precept Proposals**

Cllr R De Burle held a presentation regarding the proposals. It was proposed by Cllr R De Burle, seconded by Cllr Summerland and **agreed** that the Budget for 2017/18 is £250,000.

The Precept had not been raised for 3 year and the Finance Committee recommended an increase of 2.5%

At this point Cllrs R Cousen & J Cousen entered the meeting. After a brief re-cap it was proposed by Cllr R De Burle, seconded by Cllr Attwood and **agreed** that the precept demand should be £119,650.00 – an increase of 2.5%.

127/Co/16 **Planning Applications & Consultations**

There were no planning applications

128/Co/16 **Speed Indicating Device Monthly Report**

85% of vehicles entering past the Loughborough Road SID were travelling at a speed of 32.6 mph or less. 85% of vehicles entering past the Main Street SID were travelling at a speed of 33.8mph or less. 50,000 vehicles had entered the village via Main Street during

December and 40,000 vehicles had entered the village via Loughborough Road.
Residents in Asfordby Hill had requested that a S.I.D. be placed on Asfordby Hill

129/Co/16 **Standing Orders Review**

This item was deferred until February

130/Co/16 **Financial Regulations Review**

This item was deferred until February

131/Co/16 **Subscriptions**

None received

132/Co/16 **Matters of Report**

Funding was available if the Parish Council wished to join the Aware & Prepared
Community Emergency Store Scheme

133/Co/16 **Date of Next Meeting**

Thursday 16th February 2017

- Meeting closed at 8.05pm