

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ALBERBURY WITH CARDESTON PARISH COUNCIL

Held at Wattlesborough Village Hall on Monday 4th September 2023

Present: D Parry (Chair), Mrs K Stokes, Mrs. S Evans, R T Hughes, Cllr. E Potter, and 2 members of the public

Apologies: Mrs J Wilson, R Kynaston, R Davies

1750 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING Minutes 1741 to 1749 of the Meeting held on 10th July 2023 were proposed for acceptance by Mr Hughes, seconded by Mrs Stokes, and approved unanimously.

1751 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST None

1752 CLERK'S REPORT The Clerk reported that the bus shelter VAT of £926 had been refunded and that after this meeting's bills approximately £15500 would be in the bank accounts, which was on schedule. He had received details of Beacon events throughout the UK next June 2024 to mark the 80th Anniversary of D Day. Finally, he had been sent details of a scheme to install EV charging points in the parish free of charge and he noted that there were no such points at present. The Chair said that it was intended to install them at the Castle Country Club in due course.

1753 UNITARY COUNCILLORS REPORT Cllr. Potter said Shropshire Council were still trying to implement £51m savings in the current year and were largely on track. However, increasing social care costs could blow this off course and some services would take longer to provide. There were no RAAC concrete issues found yet in any local schools, he said, but Mary Webb School was built in the problem period.

Finally, a number of residents on the old A458 at Halfway House had reported excessive speeding on a regular basis and had asked if the entry junction could be modified. Members thought this should be put to public consultation and discussed at the next meeting, and The Clerk will arrange.

1754 PARISH MATTERS

- a. **Highways** Nothing to report.
- b. **Policing:** No report.
- c. **Alberbury Grass Cutting** .Mr Hughes said that Border Lawncare were happy to do the areas other than around the war memorial when they were in the area. The situation around the gates at each end of the village would be checked by The Clerk with Mrs Wilson.
- d. **Other:** Mrs Stokes reported a problem with black bag rubbish collecting in an area next to the car wash at Halfway House, and The Clerk was asked to write to Environmental Health.

1755 FINANCE The Clerks Salary and expenses £580.60, Wattlesborough Village Hall hire £15, Grounds Maintenance Wattlesborough £398.40, Rowton Hedgecutting £96 and Alberbury Village Hall Coronation expenses £150 were proposed for payment by Mr Hughes, seconded Mrs Evans, and approved unanimously.

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The Clerk then said that it was usual at this meeting to approve a contribution to Wattlesborough Village Show, which, if it was to match the village contribution to Alberbury, would be £200. This was proposed by Mrs Stokes, seconded by Mrs Evans and approved nem con.

1756 PLANNING It was noted that the items b and c had the wrong names attributed; Mr Aversa should have been under item b, and Mr Wilson under item c. After discussion of the 8 items, it was decided to support items b, c, e and f, proposed Mrs Evans, seconded Mrs Stokes, none against.

1757 DATE OF NEXT MEETING 23rd October at Alberbury Village Hall, 8 pm

The meeting closed at 8.45 pm.

Signed: Chairman

Clerk

Date: