

Abbotsham Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Abbotsham Parish Council held on Tuesday 17 January 2023

Present: Councillors Wilson (Chair), Lilly (Vice Chair), Tolley, Mullins, Lewis-Barclay and Davey-Potts
Cllr Wilton-Love (DCC)

1. **Apologies** – Cllr Bone and Marlow
2. **To Register Members New Interests** - none
3. **Items raised by members of public** –

Mark at Wings – defibrillator – £1999 – researched different options. Charity not currently providing defibrillator. Found another charity £400, DCC £1200, spoke to Westacott Camp Site – no donations so far, Wings paid for cabling/electricity. £399 short. Looking for one off grant

Chris Hocking – submitted planning for 3 bed dwelling, single storey with 2 beds in roof – showed plans to councillors. Planning to move into it himself and sell the existing property

4. **Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda and Minutes**

- 4.1 Declarations of interest by Councillors within agenda - Jenna – grants item
- 4.2 Minutes of previous meeting held on 20 December – all agreed – to approve
 - 4.2.1 Matters arising not covered by Agenda –

5. **Report by Councillor Philip Pennington or Robert Hicks**

Not present – no report sent

6. **Report by County Councillor Jeffery Wilton-Love**

Can provide additional grit bins – Grit is not be used on private drives. Aware that Kenwith took 20 bags, this is a private area and so they should have their own supply and not take from the DCC stock

Apologies for not attending due to Covid – neighbourhood officer back on 23rd.

Rickards Down – road never completed properly, Cllr Wilton-Love will sort the access out

Budget – lot of work gone into the deficits, now think it will be right and will be a balanced budget. In line with inflation rises.

Roads – potholes big issue, looking at Coucillors to do training to fill them.

Programmed works

We asked Jeff if he could look at the area for hedgecutting at Keene Lane and by Big Sheep

Dominic – in terms of flooding, water staying higher than normal – Jeff will look at it

7. **Planning**

- 7.1 1/1246/2022/FUL - Change of use from agricultural field to allow erection of no.1 dwelling (tied to business), erection of a store and installation of 10

- camping pitches, Land Adjacent To Countrylife Cottages, Westward Ho! –
Resubmission of 1/0547/2022/FUL – no objections
- 7.2 1/1269/2022/FUL – Erection of dwelling, Springfield, Abbotsham – all support

8. Clerks Report

- 8.1 XLinks – route through parish – need more clarity, why do they need to come from Morocco to Cornborough
- 8.2 Visit by Kieran – covered by Jeff
- 8.3 Letter to planning – continue to chase Helen Smith for response
- 8.4 Parish Paths Partnership – defer for input from Micky
- 8.5 Defibrillators – Wings building and existing defibrillator – Wings covered under open session - £200 proposed by Martin, all agreed. Defib at The Thatch – batteries last 5 years – screen wasn't displaying. Don't like being below 0 degrees. To put into heated box £600 and then electrics and electricity costs.- defer
- 8.6 Snow warden scheme and salt/grit storage – storage – do we want it at Notts yard or somewhere else.
- 8.7 Rubbish in front of substation – report to refuse at TDC

9. Chairs Report

- 9.1 Abbotsham Volunteers – volunteers out when they can
- 9.2 New welcome to village signs – emailed Kieran

10. Finance

- 10.1 Grants
- Defibrillators - £200 to Wings, waiting cost of heated box for Thatch (approx. £600
- Benches - £300
- Village Hall – Post office £250 contribution
- Archives £150
- Defib pads £94
- Church - £1000 – proposed to agree Sharon, seconded Dominic all agreed
- 10.2 Agree Parish Precept for 2023-24 – all agreed to leave the same at £8500

11. Correspondence

- 11.1 Round Robin Items – emails sent

12. Any Other Business

13. Items raised by Councillors for inclusion on the next agenda