

Abbotsham Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Abbotsham Parish Council held on Tuesday 25 July 2023

Present: Councillors Lewis-Barclay (Chair) Lilly (Vice Chair), Wilson, Tolley, Mullins, Davey-Potts

Cllr J Wilton-Love (DCC)

Apologies – Cllr Pennington (TDC)

Not Present – Cllr Walton

1. To Register Members New Interests - None

2. Items raised by members of public – None

3. Declarations of Interest in Items on the Agenda and Minutes

- 3.1 Declarations of interest by Councillors within agenda – none
 - 3.1.1 Minutes of previous meeting held on 16 May (AGM) 2023 to be approved – all agreed
 - 3.1.2 Minutes of previous meeting held on 16 May 2023 to be approved – all agreed
 - 3.1.3 Minutes of previous meeting held on 27 June 2023 to be approved – all agreed
 - 3.1.4 Matters arising not covered by Agenda – none

4. Report by Councillor Philip Pennington or Robert Hicks

Apologies sent – no report provided

5. Report by County Councillor Jeffery Wilton-Love

HW – utterly dismayed, not getting anything done. HATOC meeting a waste of time, motions go through and officers over rule and look for reasons not to do thing. Wants whole process looked at and raising it publicly, its non functioning, taken it to the top. Going to be going out fixing potholes himself. He will be supplied with materials, he will have personal liability, he will have chapter 8 training, roadwork signs, picking up signs that get left behind. Abbotsham Road – funding has been assigned, likely to be October Challenged the HW structure – contracts have 2 years left to run, He has meeting with all hierarchy of HW on 2 August to aim to bring it all back under DCC

Mobile library – not correct protocol, so has been called in and will be reviewed at the end of September

6. Planning

- 6.1 1/0636/2023/FULM - 27 units of Close Care accommodation in association with existing care and nursing facility (Variation of condition 2 of planning approval 1/0634/2016/FULM) Kenwith Castle, Abbotsham – no objections
- 6.2 Winsford Park – initial drawings – Chris – instead of accepting it on plan we should be asking for contribution. Need for council housing, instead of allocating as community why not give it to council for council housing. Roger – developer should build community facilities first.
- 6.3 1/0380/2023/FUL - Construction of 4 bedroom detached dwelling, with associated access, parking, amenity space and landscaping. All matters reserved. (Removal of condition 7 of Planning Application 1/1134/2021/OUT) Land Adjacent Hill House, Abbotsham – refused

7. Clerks Report

- 7.1 XLinks – route through parish – event at Alverdiscott with Geoffrey Cox – Jeff went, developer appreciative of people’s concerns, trying to mitigate as much as possible. Was sceptical but it does seem to work as a project, uses solar during day and wind at night. Provide nuclear power station quality from renewable. Economically it stacks up, there will be something at the Alverdiscott site and would bring energy costs down. Concern about stability long term with Morocco – our view it will be noisy/dusty for a short period but what is in it for. MP put local stakeholder in place to bring money back.
- 7.2 Speed signs – jeff going check dcc position, will get another quotes
- 7.3 Temporary traffic orders - circulated
- 7.4 Gateway signage update – circulate email, go to MVantsone for quote

8 Chairs Report

- 8.1 Abbotsham Volunteers – have met once, tidying up edge of road by big sheep/keene lane. Sharon has got a new sticker for wheelie bin. Paul cutting the grass and using it. £52 for sticker.
- 8.2 20’s Plenty – webinar – Dominic attended and feels that we should be signing up. We want to support the initiative, write to MP. Passing resolution that we want 20 is plenty in our village – All agreed
 - 8.2.1 Discuss 20's Plenty and committing to emailing DCC requesting they change their default speed limit policy – all agreed
 - 8.2.2 Contact County Councillor – Councillor Jeff Wilton-Love – all agreed
 - 8.2.3 Email DCC requesting change to default speeds – all agreed

9 Finance

- 9.1 Bank account signatories – wait to hear, check about online account.
- 9.2 Update on predicted expenditure in 2023-24 – spreadsheet circulated with expenditure for 2023/24 to date with anticipated expenditure for the remainder of the year.

10 Correspondence

Round Robin Items – emails sent – response from TDC regarding rubbish – forward to parishioners.

- 11 **Any Other Business** – Chris has heard that PO maybe cutting the hours to the village hall

Mobile library – revisions

Roger – from April Kieran Stanbury – has been sending his emails, Rickards Green, pavement never been laid properly, Keene Lane potholes, Roger has not had response

- 12 **Items raised by Councillors for inclusion on the next agenda**