

COLD ASTON PARISH COUNCIL
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Present: Cllr Bullock (chair)
Cllr Minns
Cllr Acland
Cllr Morris
Cllr Toogood

District Cllr Keeling
Clerk D Hunt

8 members of the public were present

One member of the public asked as the Council had such a large Bank Balance could they not consider paying for a water supply at the allotments, thereby making it more attractive to potential tenants. The Rain harvesting project was discussed.

Several members of the public discussed their views on planning application 18/00694/FUL (item 8a on the agenda).

The Meeting opened at 06:56pm

1. **Apologies:** These were sent by County Cllr Hodgkinson.
2. **Declarations of Interest**
 - a) To declare any personal interests in items on the agenda and their nature.
There weren't any.
 - b) To declare any prejudicial interest in items on the agenda and their nature.
There weren't any.
3. **Minutes:** The minutes of the Parish Council meetings held on the 10th January 2018 were approved and signed.

4. Reports from District and County Councillors;

District Cllr Keeling reported that the District Council Tax would be frozen again in 2018/19. Free car parking after 3pm would continue in some CDC car parks. There were improvements being made to the Waterloo car park in Cirencester. The company formed by West Oxfordshire, CDC, Forest of Dean & Cheltenham Councils PUBLICA would employ all former Council workers and would make considerable savings for these councils in the future. He had a pot of money to be used for WW1 Celebrations. Finally be aware that the CDC would be honouring pillars of the community with special awards.

County Cllr Hodgkinson stated that there would be an increase in the County Council tax for 2018/19. Potholes the Council were aware of the current issues and asked for the public to report these. Finally He had a pot of money to be spent in his local area on highway issues.

5. Progress reports (for information)

- a) Clerk – The Clerk informed the Council of the proposed changes Data Protection. She also reported that the planning application for a single storey extension at 9 Chapel Lane had been recommended that it be refused.
- b) Highways – There were a considerable number of pot holes in the Village. The true gravity of which would be known once the weather had improved. It was decided that information for reporting potholes should be on the website and be sent out on email.
- c) Allotments – Cllr Minns had spoken with K Hemmings re his offer of some membrane. The rain harvesting project was work in progress.
- d) Parking – Cllr Acland had spoken to the school who were perfectly willing to park in Bang Up Lane when there were special services on.

6. **To approve the meetings schedule for 2018/19** – This was approved.

7. **To review the data gathered from the traffic monitor and decide what next steps based upon this.** The data was slightly skewed as it was recording further out than expected. The average speed of motorists was recorded as 33 miles per hour. The Council felt given this data then they would wait to see the effect that the roundels had on calming the traffic.

8. **To decide what if any comments to make about the following planning applications;**

- a) 18/00694/FUL; Full Application for Conversion of stable building to a dwelling at Church Corner Stables Cold Aston Gloucestershire GL54 3BW
After some discussion, the Council decided that they wished to object to the application and make the following comment;

5 parishioners have objected verbally (3 at the meeting) and one supported the application, 2 others have written to CDC to object.

Currently the stables are in full use, contrary to the application statement and the applicant will presumably need stabling if the current ones are converted into a house. The Council are concerned that further stables will be applied for on this property in the future.

The council is sympathetic towards the applicant's need for housing but this site is not appropriate. It is outside the current curtilage of the village, in an AONB, not close to amenities or employment and, if granted, would set a precedent for development of other remote allegedly unused buildings to be converted to housing within the Parish.

- b) 18/00542/FUL; Full Application for New vehicular access at Seabrook Old Gloucester Road Bourton-On The-Water Cheltenham Gloucestershire.
The Council decided not to make any comment about this application.

9. **To decide details of the Spring Clean up;** Cllr Toogood volunteered to organise this once more details had been obtained from the organisation that was promoting this activity and if the weather was amenable.

10. To decide whether to include a Neighbourhood Watch tab to the Parish website

It was decided that this would be worthwhile and the Clerk would speak to Mr M Taber about this.

11. Financial;

- a. To approve payment to the Clerk for wages January - £94.50
February- £59.32 & refund of Printing paper £3.50
This was approved
- b. To approve payment to the National Allotment Society – annual membership for £66.00
This was approved
- c. To approve payment to GAPTC subscription for 1 year - £71.84
This was approved
- d. To agree the Bank reconciliation as;
Treasurer’s account - £25,051.31 to 01.02.2018
Community fund - £8445.10 to 01.03.2018
These were agreed
- e. To approve the Financial report to February 28th 2018
This was approved.

12. Date of next meeting: The date of the next meeting was confirmed as April 11th 2018 at 6.45 p.m.

The meeting closed at 08:50 pm

Members are reminded that the Council has a general duty to consider the following matters in the exercise of any of its functions: Equal Opportunities (age, disability, gender, gender identity, race, religion or belief and sexual orientation), Crime and Disorder, Health and Safety and Human Rights.