



New Alresford Town Council

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Minutes of the Meeting of New Alresford Town Council held electronically via Zoom, on Tuesday on Tuesday 26 January 2021 commencing at 7.30pm

Name	Present	Apologies	Absent
Cllr Weston (Chair)	✓		
Cllr Bean (Vice-Chair)	✓		
Cllr Gordon-Smith	✓		
Cllr Divall	✓		
Cllr Byrne	✓		
Cllr Cavell	✓		
Cllr Evans	✓		
Cllr Holmes	✓		
Cllr Jeffs	✓		
Cllr Jones	✓		
Cllr Sprott	✓		

ALSO PRESENT: Marcia Phillibert - Town Clerk

2 Members of the public present

The Chair welcomed all present to the meeting.

20/172 Approve apologies for absence.

No apologies received.

20/173 Dispensations for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests under Section 33 of the Localism Act 2011.

The Clerk advised nothing received for this meeting.

20/174 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests on items on the agenda.

Councillor Cavell - Non pecuniary - Agenda Item 20/192

20/175 Public participation

Representative of Chamber of Commerce presented details of the Christmas Tree light project explaining the cost difference of 58p per bulb to over £4.00 per LED bulbs.

20/176 (i) City Councillors Report

Noted

(ii) County Councillors Report

Not received

20/177 Approve minutes and recommendations of the Town Council Meeting held on 22 December 2020.

RESOLVED: That the minutes and recommendations of the Town Council meeting held on 22 December 2020 be approved

Proposed: Sprott	Second: Divall	
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

20/178 Ratify the minutes of the Recreation and Environment Committee held on 4 November and 2 December 2020

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Recreation and Environment Committee held on 4 November and 2 December 2020 be ratified.

Proposed: Sprott	Second: Gordon-Smith	
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

20/179 Ratify the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 3 November and 1 December 2020

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 3 November and 1 December 2020 be ratified

Proposed: Bean	Second: Sprott	
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

20/180 Ratify the minutes of Finance and Facilities Committee held on 10 November, 8 and 16 December 2020

RESOLVED: That the minutes of Finance and Facilities Committee held on 10 November, 8 and 16 December 2020 be ratified

Proposed: Divall	Second: Bean	
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

20/181 Ratify the minutes of the Community and Tourism Committee held on 17 November and 15 December 2020

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Community and Tourism Committee held on 17 November and 15 December 2020 be ratified

Proposed: Holmes	Second: Evans	
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

20/182 Clerks Report

The Clerks report was reviewed and will be updated.

20/183 Chairs announcements – For information only

(i) Town Council

Update regarding Stakeholders and details of parking strategy that is ongoing. Many businesses are open and online and discussions of how they can be supported

The uptake on the hanging basket scheme 2021 is significantly lower than last year.

(ii) Finance and Facilities Committee

The ARC – Phase 2 of the drains is now completed, the Soakaways are now connected. If this does not work there is the option of drilling bore holes
Potholes in the carpark are due to be repaired on 1 February 2021

Roof – There has been leaks since it was erected. The roof needs replacing/repair and the costs are extensive up to a maximum of £100K plus.

(iii) Planning Committee

Two retractable SLR post have been ordered to be placed in Winchester Road and East Street.

The Design Statement the consultants will be doing a virtual survey.

Sun Lane developers are Taylor Wimpey and the planning consultants are liaising with NATC.

(iv) Community and Tourism Committee

Reduced the tasks on the Action tracker and would like to move forward with new ideas.

(v) Recreation and Environment Committee

The new trees will be planted at Arlebury Park on Thursday.

20/184 Approve Payments and Purchase Ledger up to 30 November and 31 December 2020

Review of budget documentation including December reforecasting figures.

RESOLVED: That the Payments and Purchase Ledger up to 30 November and 31 December 2020 is approved.

Proposed: Divall		Second: Ann	
For: All	Against:	Abstain:	

20/185 Approve Detailed Balance Sheet, Bank Reconciliation, Bank Statements and Income and Expenditure Report as at 30 November and 31 December 2020

RESOLVED: That the Detailed Balance Sheet, Bank Reconciliation, Bank Statements and Income and Expenditure Report as at 30 November and 31 December 2020 is approved

Proposed: Weston		Second: Divall	
For: All	Against:	Abstain:	

20/186 Approve Grant applications

(i) Chamber of Commerce

Debate explored the option of grant being awarded over two years as oppose one considering the project will not complete until 22/23. Due to the amount an exception would need to be made.

RESOLVED: This is an exception and the grant application of £3000.00 is approved for the benefit of the town at Christmas time.

Condition 1: That Chamber of Commerce acknowledge that the project is supported by NATC in all publicity.

Proposed: Sprott		Second: Divall	
For: All	Against:	Abstain: Jeffs	

(ii) Age Concern

RESOLVED: That the grant application of £250.00 is approved

Proposed: Evans		Second: Sprott	
For: All	Against:	Abstain:	

20/187 Approve the West Street Widening Project

Update regarding the project plan. A survey will be undertaken by HCC to identify the location of services. There will be no reduction in parking spaces, pedestrian safety is a priority. Bollards v Railings is to be considered. The costings are to be fixed following the survey.

RESOLVED: That the West Street Widening Project is approved in principle.

Proposed: Jeffs		Second: Sprott
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

20/188 Approve a structural survey of West Street Widening project

RESOLVED: That the necessary survey work is approved to the value of £5000.00

Proposed: Gordon-Smith		Second: Jeffs
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

20/189 Approve Hanging Basket and Trough Scheme 2021

It is noted that the scheme may be over budget.

RESOLVED: That the Hanging Basket and Trough Scheme 2021 is approved to the maximum value of £15269 to be delivered by Hanging Garden

Proposed: Evans		Second: Jones
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

20/190 Approve CIL funding bid application(s) for 2021.

Debate considered the Stratton Bates mile/path, an outdoor gym in Arlebury Park and for the river path repairs from The Dean to the Fulling Mill.

RESOLVED: That the CIL Funding application is made for the River path restoration and the outdoor gym at Arlebury Park

Proposed: Sprott		Second: Bean
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

20/191 Approve the formal adoption of Hambone Memorial.

RESOLVED: That New Alresford Town Council formally adopt Hambone Memorial.

Proposed: Divall		Second: Jeffs
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

20/192 Approve Winchester Basic Bank use of Lower meeting room at ARC.

RESOLVED: That Winchester Basic Bank use of the Lower meeting room at Alresford Recreation Centre for as long as it is needed

Proposed: Weston		Second: Jeffs
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

2019 hours Councillor Sprott left the meeting

20/193 Public Excluded.

RESOLVED: That the public are excluded from the meeting

Proposed: Divall		Second: Bean
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

20/194 Approve pay band increase for Caretaker position.

RESOLVED: That the Caretaker pay band increase is approved to scale point 14.

Proposed: Jeffs	Second: Bean	
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

The Meeting concluded at 2127 hours.

Date of next meeting will be held on Tuesday 23 February 2021, commencing virtually at 7.30pm