



New Alresford Town Council

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Minutes of the Meeting of New Alresford Town Council held on Tuesday 28 September 2021 commencing at 7.30pm

Name	Present	Apologies	Absent
Cllr Weston (Chair) (MW)	✓		
Cllr Bean (Vice-Chair) (AB)	✓		
Cllr Gordon-Smith (RGS)	✓		
Cllr Divall (KD)	✓		
Cllr Byrne (MB)	✓		
Cllr Cavell (SJC)	✓		
Cllr Evans (SE)	✓		
Cllr Holmes (SH)			✓
Cllr Jeffs (BJ)		✓	
Cllr Jones (JJ)			✓
Cllr Sprott (AS)	✓		

ALSO PRESENT:

Sarah Johnson - Deputy Clerk

Dr Moragh Stirling (Wessex Rivers Trust), Cllr Jackie Porter (Hampshire County Council), Cllr Fiona Issacs (Winchester City Council)

21/096 Approve apologies for absence.

Apologies received from Councillor Jeffs

RESOLVED: That apologies for Councillor Jeffs are accepted

Proposed: KD	Second: SC
For: All	Against: Abstain:

21/097 Dispensations for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests under Section 33 of the Localism Act 2011.

The Clerk advised nothing received for this meeting.

21/098 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests on items on the agenda.

Cllr Evans declared a pecuniary interest in 21/110 and 21/119

Cllr Sprott declared a non-pecuniary interest in items 21/112, 21/113 and 21/119

Cllr Divall declared a non-pecuniary interest in 21/119

Cllr Cavell declared a non-pecuniary interest in 21/119

Cllr Bean declared a non-pecuniary interest in 21/119

21/099 Public participation

Dr Moragh Stirling from Wessex Rivers Trust spoke about repairs to the river path from the bottom of Arlebury Park to the Eel House, that are shortly to commence. The repairs are being undertaken as part of the Watercress and Winterbornes Project, funded by the Heritage Lottery Fund. The river path is currently in a poor state of

repair with access and flooding issues. There is also a lack of complex habitats. Alongside the footpath repairs, the project will see installation of a low exclusion fence which will allow vegetation to grow up along the river edge, willow fencing, habitat creation work with volunteers and the creation of a dog dip/access point. The work will start early October and the footpath will be shut for approximately three weeks.

21/100 Use of Arlebury Park land for storage facilities for Wessex River Trust to undertake repairs to the river path between Arlebury Park and Eel House

RESOLVED: That Arlebury Park land can be used to provide storage facilities for Wessex River Trust to undertake repairs to the river path between Arlebury Park and the Eel House

Proposed: MW		Second: AS
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

21/101 (i) City Councillors Report

Noted. Cllr Issacs confirmed she is awaiting an update from Winchester City Council Planning Enforcement in relation to the barber shop.

(ii) County Councillors Report

Noted. Cllr Porter confirmed she is waiting for an update on potential works to West Street and repairs to the river path between The Dean and the Fulling Mill.

21/102 Approve minutes and recommendations of the Town Council Meeting held on 20 July 2021

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Town Council Meeting held on 20 July 2021 are approved

Proposed: KD		Second: RGS
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

21/103 Approve minutes and recommendations of the Extraordinary Meeting held on 15 July and 13 September 2021

The minutes of the meeting held on 13 September were not approved, and will be amended to accurately reflect Cllr Sprott's reasons for resigning from the Working Group and provide a summary of the public participation session for approval at the next meeting.

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Extraordinary Meeting held on 15 July 2021 are approved

Proposed: MB		Second: AB
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

21/ 104 Ratify the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 6 July and 3 August 2021

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 6 July and 3 August 2021 be ratified

Proposed: AB		Second: MB
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

**21/105 Ratify the minutes of the Operations and Resources Committee held on 13 July 2021
That the minutes of the Operations and Resources Committee held on 13 July 2021 be ratified**

Proposed: SE		Second: AB
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For: All	Against:	Abstain:
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21/106 Ratify the minutes of the Recreation and Environment Committee held on 8 July 2021

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Recreation and Environment Committee held on 8 July 2021 be ratified.

Proposed: KD	Second: AS	
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

21/107 Clerks Report

Clerks Report received and agreed that the bank signatory action is closed out, as Cllr Divall and Cllr Byrne are both now signatories on the Council account.

21/108 Chairs announcements and working group updates

(i) Town Council

The Chair expressed her disappointment at Councillors being absent from meetings without giving apologies

(ii) Community and Tourism Committee

(iii) Operations and Resources

Provided a reminder on the budget timescale and deadlines for Committees and Council

(iv) Planning Committee

A questionnaire on whether the service road in Broad Street should be permanently pedestrianised, will be distributed in the November edition of the Forum and shared on the Council website and social media.

Winchester City Council have approved New Alresford Town Council developing a Neighborhood Plan. The intention is to hold an event inviting local groups to get involved.

Winchester City Council have put forward Alresford for a national pilot scheme for Design Codes. If Alresford are selected as one of the 10 parishes across the Country, £100,000 will be made available to do the work.

(v) Recreation and Environment Committee

The Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) £20,000 grant for an outdoor gym in Arlebury Park, has been approved by Winchester City Council.

Four tenders have been received for the Stratton Bates playground redevelopment project.

The Committee have written to the Rugby Club and Football Club about the irresponsible parking at Arlebury Park car park on match/ training days, in particular blocking the emergency access into the park.

(vi) Working Groups

Sports Groups - Held a meeting with the Football Club solicitor

Walking Group - Discovered the Council own the rights to the Millennium Walk map

Stratton Bates playground – meeting on Thursday to review tenders

21/109 Approve the Balance Sheet, Bank Reconciliation, Bank Statements, Income and Expenditure, Purchase Ledger and Payments Reports as of 31 July and 31 August 2021

Ledger	Balance
Balance Sheet (Asset –Liabilities)	447,713
Income - Expenditure YTD	77,225
Current Account	159,713.01
32 Day Notice	297,917.65
Rent Deposit	1,666.58
Petty Cash	94.91

Ledger	Balance
Balance Sheet (Asset –Liabilities)	426,292
Income - Expenditure YTD	55,803
Current Account	139,855.41
32 Day Notice	297,925.39
Rent Deposit	1,666.58
Petty Cash	94.91

Cllr Divall raised a concern about computer spend in 21/22.

RESOLVED: That the Balance Sheet, Bank Reconciliation, Bank Statements, Income and Expenditure, Purchase Ledger and Payments Reports as of 31 July and 31 August 2021 is approved

Proposed: KD		Second: MW	
For: All	Against:	Abstain:	

21/110 Fees of £1250 plus disbursements for the preparation of the lease for new allotment site at Spring Gardens

RESOLVED: That the fee of £1250 plus disbursements for Godwins Solicitors for the preparation of the lease for new allotment at Spring Gardens be approved

Proposed: AS		Second: KD	
For: All	Against:	Abstain: SE (pecuniary interest)	

21/111 Quote for cleaning changing rooms at Arlebury Park

One quote from Rentokil of £6632 for cleaning the changing rooms was received. Seven companies had been invited to quote

It was agreed to defer this item until an arrangement is made with the Football Club about ongoing cleaning.

21/112 Itchen Valley Forum invoice for publishing monthly Council page.

RESOLVED: That the invoice of £1212 from the Itchen Valley Forum for publishing monthly Council page is approved

Proposed: KD		Second: SJ	
For:	Against:	Abstain: AS (non-pecuniary interest)	

21/113 Payment of £1000 towards Itchen Valley Forum calendar

RESOLVED: That £1000 is contributed towards the Itchen Valley Forum calendar

Proposed: SE		Second: SC	
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For: All	Against: KD	Abstain: AS (non-pecuniary interest)
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21/114 Amendments to Code of Conduct

It was agreed to defer this item so that minor changes can be made to the proposed new amendments.

21/115 Use of weather screens on first floor of Alresford Recreation Centre

It was agreed to defer this item until the contractor has met on site with the Cllrs to demonstrate the weather screens.

21/116 Vodafone mast and boxes to be erected on Arlebury Park land.

It was agreed to defer this item until the contractor has provide a diagram as to where the overhead cables will be located.

21/117 Rotary Club use of Arlebury Park for Firework display on 5 November 2021

RESOLVED: That the use of Arlebury Park for Firework display on 5 November 2021 is approved subject to review of the Rotary insurance details for the event

Proposed: KD		Second: AS	
For: All	Against:	Abstain:	

Cllr Evan left the meeting at 20:50

21/118 Exclude the public

RESOLVED: That the public are excluded from the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

Proposed: MW		Second: KD	
For: All	Against:	Abstain:	

21/119 Forward actions in respect of Rights of Way issue at Arlebury Park

RESOLVED: That Cllrs Cavell, Divall, Sprott and the Clerk request a meeting with all the New Alresford Town Trust trustees regarding the Rights of Way at Arlebury Park, subject to confirmation from the Council solicitor.

Proposed: MW		Second: MB	
For: All	Against:	Abstain:	

The meeting concluded at 21:20.

Date of next meeting will be held on Tuesday 26 October 2021, commencing at 7.30pm