



New Alresford Town Council

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Minutes of the Meeting of New Alresford Town Council held on Tuesday 29 September 2022 commencing at 7.30pm

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

ALSO PRESENT: Marcia Phillibert – Town Clerk/RFO

Cllr Fiona Issac WCC, Wayne Muddle Sirius Telecom, one member of the public.

The Chair welcomed all to the meeting

22/088 Approve apologies for absence.

Apologies received from Councillors Divall

RESOLVED: That apologies for Councillors Divall are approved

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

22/089 Dispensations for Disclosable Pecuniary Interests under Section 33 of the Localism Act 2011.

The Clerk advised nothing received for this meeting.

22/090 Declarations of Disclosable Pecuniary and Non-Pecuniary Interests on items on the agenda.

Councillor Weston – Non-pecuniary on item 22/114

Councillor Sprott - Non-pecuniary on item 22/101, 104 and 114

22/091 Public Participation

Member of public is representative of Sirius Telecom

22/092 Receive further information from Sirius Telecom regarding CCTV at Arlebury Park

The proposal was explained regarding the three cameras which will pan, tilt and zoom. The system has the facility to move and zoom or remain as wide-angle view also the

ability to send email alerts. The storage of data will be retained in a main box able to hold a months' worth of data 24/7 (2 terrabytes).

The image quality is sufficient for prosecutions. They are able to deliver a physical presentation if required.

22/093 County and City Councillors Report

The County and City Councillors reports were noted.

Additional note

The Metis homes consultation has taken note of the concerns regarding a closed in carpark as there is no escape route.

The West Street project has a new project manager.

22/094 Approve minutes and recommendations of the Town Council Meeting held on 26 July 2022

RESOLVED: That the minutes and recommendations of the Town Council Meeting held 26 July 2022 are approved

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

22/095 Ratify the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 5 July 2022

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Planning Committee held on 5 July 2022 be ratified.

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

22/096 Ratify the minutes of the Community and Open Spaces Committee held on 19 July 2022

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Community and Opens Spaces Committee held on 19 July 2022 be ratified

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

22/097 Clerks Report

The Clerk's Report was received and noted.

22/098 Chairs announcements and working group updates

(i) Town Council

The Rotary will be holding their Firework night on Friday 4 November 2022
Reminded members of project management methodology

(ii) Planning Committee

The Broad Street project is moving forward
River path to be repaired in 2023

(iii) Operations and Resources Committee

Budget setting plan is that the first draft will be completed by end of October
O&R will review in November, TC to review, then final adjustments reviewed by O&R in December with a view to approving at December Town Council.

(iv) **Community and Open Spaces Committee**

Ongoing works at Stratton Bates.

Personal trainer is delivering a training session at the outdoor gym on Friday 7 October 2022.

22/099 Approve the Balance Sheet, Bank Reconciliation, Bank Statements, Income and Expenditure Purchase Ledger and Payments Reports as of 31 July and 31 August 2022

Ledger	Balance
Balance Sheet (Asset –Liabilities)	392,005
Income - Expenditure YTD	(30,337)
Current Account	170,101.87
32 Day Notice	223,100.03
Rent Deposit	1,666.79
Petty Cash	33.76

RESOLVED: That the Balance Sheet, Bank Reconciliation, Bank Statements, Income and Expenditure and Payments Reports as of 31 July and 31 August 2022 is approved.

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

22/100 Approve The Forum invoice for one page spread for twelve months

RESOLVED: That the invoice for the Forum one page spread for twelve months is approved to the value of £1452.00 excluding VAT

Proposed: AB		Second: MW	
For: SE, MB, RGS, SJC	Against:	Abstain: AS	

22/101 Approve invoice regarding outdoor gym at Arlebury Park

RESOLVED: That the invoice for the installation of the outdoor gym at Arlebury Park is approved to the value of £20,515.06 excluding VAT

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

22/102 Approve Eibe invoice regarding Stratton Bates Play area

A number of issues remain with the installation, the flower rocker, trampoline, slide, rubber matting, swing, the mound, the pergola, benches, fence, ladybird rocker and play panels the invoice amount is £68,876.00

RESOLVED: That due to the outstanding issues £20,000.00 plus VAT is deducted from the invoice amount. The Eibe invoice is approved to the net value of £48,876.00 and the communications continue with Eibe.

Proposed: SJC		Second: RGS	
For: MW, AB, SE, AS	Against:	Abstain: MB	

22/103 Approve grant application from Alresford Society

Urgent application as bid needs to be submitted by 3 October 2022. Joint project with Watercress and Winterbournes Community to restore information boards along the river Arle, request £1000.00 towards project.

RESOLVED: That the application for a grant of £1000.00 is awarded to the Alresford Society towards the cost of restoring information boards along river Arle

Proposed: SE	Second: SJC	
For: All	Against:	Abstain:

22/104 Agree forward actions regarding Stratton Bates Play area

The haras fencing is now open and mound exposed. The mound is returfed at the appropriate time and appropriate signage erected. That communications continue with Eibe.

22/105 Approve External Auditor invoice

RESOLVED: That the external auditor invoice to the net value of £800.00 is approved

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

22/106 Note External Auditor report

That the Except for matters reported the incorrect completion of Section 1 Assertion 9 of the Annual Governance and Accountability Return is noted.

22/107 Approve opting into SAAA external auditor scheme

RESOLVED: That New Alresford Town Council remain in the Smaller Authorities Audit Appointments external auditor scheme

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

22/108 Approve Health and Safety Policy

RESOLVED: That the General Health and Safety Policy is approved

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

22/109 Approve surveys regarding the development of the Council Business Plan

The survey questions were debated.

RESOLVED: That on the proviso that the amended questions are agreed, that the Strategy/business plan is progressed.

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

22/110 Agree format of Youth Involvement Day at Arlebury Park

There have been numerous changes to questions, time and format with the view to engaging with as many youths as possible.

RESOLVED: That consideration is given to two sessions lunchtime and after school on Friday 21 October 2022. The survey questions are approved.

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

22/111 Exclude Public

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

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

22/112 Update regarding New Alresford Football Club

New Alresford Football Club are working towards creating a new structure. They will inform the council when they have finalised the new structure

22/113 Approve minutes and recommendations of the Extraordinary Meeting held on 30 August 2022

RESOLVED: That the minutes and recommendations of the Extraordinary Town Council Meeting held 30 August 2022 are approved

Proposed: SJC		Second: MW	
For: SE, MB, RGS, AB,	Against:	Abstain: AS	

2149 hours Councillor Weston left the meeting

22/114 Consider forward actions in respect of Rights of Way at Arlebury Park

That the solicitor responds to previous questions asked

RESOLVED: That the original offer is reiterated to the Town Trust.

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

The meeting concluded at 2203 hours

Date of next meeting will be 25 October 2022, commencing at 19.30 hours