



ALBURY PARISH COUNCIL

Serving Farley Green, Brook, Little London & Newlands Corner

PARISH OF ALBURY NOTICE OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING Local Government Act 1972

Notice is hereby given of a meeting of Albury Parish Council which will be held on

Monday 3rd October, 2022 at 19:30 in the village hall
for the transaction of the under mentioned business.

A member of the public attended the meeting to discuss the ongoing anti-social behaviour issue some residents are experiencing. The Clerk took some details from the residents to discuss the issue with the PCSOs in more detail.

A minute's silence was held to commemorate the passing of Her Majesty, Queen Elizabeth II.

Present: Cllrs A. McCann, G. Robinson, J. Brockwell, P. Gellatly, P. Yeoman, S. Bevan, and S. Dennis.
Borough Cllr D. Jones

In attendance: The Clerk, Ms C. Bishop-Wright

148/22 **Election of Chairman:** Cllr Bevan remaining as Chair up to and including December.

149/22 **Apologies for absence:**
County Cllr R. Hughes

150/22 **Declaration of interest:**
None received.

151/22 **Minutes of the meeting held 5th September:** to be revised and circulated then for approval at next meeting. **CJ**

152/22 **Brief Report from Borough Councillors:**

153/22 **Brief Report from County Councillors:**

County Cllr Hughes left some notes with the Clerk in their absence

- a) *Footpath in Winterfold closure during filming* – Deferred until next meeting. **BH**
- b) *20s Plenty* – Cllr Dennis and Cllr Brockwell attended a 20s Plenty meeting. The meeting was to encourage PCs to adopt the movement and request 20s Plenty for their own parishes. There is also a separate SCC speed restriction trial currently running. The SCC trial that is happening from Mole Valley to Shere and did not include Albury. However, it's likely that there will be another similar scheme which will include Albury at some time. Cllr Dennis proposed to ask at the meeting if a representative from 20s Plenty could attend a PC meeting or come to speak with Albury and other local parishes about the movement. **SD**
JB
- c) *Closure of Shophouse Lane* – Deferred until next meeting when Cllr Hughes is back. The Clerk to contact Kevin from SCC to see whether they will be issuing a Fixed Penalty Notice for no advanced warning of the closed road. **BH**
- d) *Edgeley Park* – Borough Cllr Jones updated on this in Cllr Hughes' absence. There is a meeting this week with Tom Horwood from GBC and Edgeley Park to see if they can persuade Haulfryn to be more lenient with their eviction notices on residents. Cllr Jones asked whether APC could send a representative to this meeting to show their support. Cllr Brockwell advised that Edgeley Park owners are not residents of the parish, neither do they

pay Council Tax. As such the PC, though not unsympathetic, does not represent their interests. Cllr Jones advised that the site has not yet requested a new licence since the change of company took place.

- e) *Sandpit* – There is no update as there is not a complete application for this yet.

154/22 **Matters Arising:**

- a) *Holmbury First Responders* – HFR have confirmed that they are considered as emergency responders and can therefore use the Emergency Workers Act 2006. This has been confirmed by the Police. Cllr Jones has sent a document to the First Responders to share her view as a Borough Cllr on the matter. HFR have not yet responded, but will do so soon and APC will be updated.
- b) *Flooding in Westonfields* – Cllr Brockwell updated Cllr Robinson on the flooding issue as he has been absent for a few meetings. The ditch still needs to be cleared, and this has not been done yet by SCC. SCC have now come back and said that they are not responsible for clearing the ditches, and that it is Albury Estate's responsibility. Cllr Brockwell has spoken with the Estate and they have said that they have never cleared the ditches. The Estate are going to discuss this with SCC. The drains in Westonfields are now on the cleaning rota from SCC, and this will be happening this week. Cllr Robinson is going to put a note on cars by the drains to see if residents can move them on the day the drains are to be cleaned.

GR

155/22 **Clerk's Matters Arising:**

Nothing to report.

156/22 **Police Matters:**

- a) *Link to crime statistics* – <https://www.police.uk/your-area/surrey-police/albury-shalford-compton-holy-trinity-shere-gomshall-peaslake-and-farley-green/>

Committee Reports:

157/22 **Highways, Byways, and Traffic: Cllr Brockwell**

- a) *VAS* – Deferred to next meeting.
- b) *Track of Ride Lane query* – Cllr Brockwell is in discussion with the resident in regards to this. **JB**
- c) *Crossing the road at the Drummond Arms* – The Clerk received an email from a resident addressing concerns about crossing the road to the bus stop at the Drummond Arms and the difficulties they experienced at this dangerous crossing. This particular query has been raised a few times at previous meetings. SCC have informed that, the cost for introducing a crossing here would be very high. The Clerk will advise the resident to contact Bob Hughes, our SCC councillor and to look into attending a Local Committee meeting where the resident can raise their query directly to the council. **CJ**

158/22 **Outdoor Maintenance and Open Spaces: Cllr Yeoman**

- a) *Trees on Farley Green & Cherry trees* – Cllr Dennis proposed that, due to the recent passing of HM Queen Elizabeth, that we continue with the plan to plant one tree for Prince Phillip but abandon any plans for other trees (cherry trees or other) in favour of planting just one tree in memory of Her late Majesty next to the one for Prince Philip. This was seconded by Cllr Brockwell, and the majority were in favour of this. The PC will decide the type of tree and location. The tree must be of native species. The PC will also speak with the residents who have shown an interest in this matter. **CJ**
- b) *Dog fouling* – As above. Cllrs again discussed the idea of setting up CCTV in the recreation ground. The Clerk will re-circulate the document about the cameras, and also look into costing and the logistics of the cameras. **CJ**
- c) *Parking on Farley Green* – No longer an issue.
- d) *Posts in the triangle at Little London* – Cllr Brockwell to replace.

159/22 **Planning and Environment: Cllr Gellatly**

- a) *Enforcement* – An query with an approved application was raised. The application was to raise the ridge of a garage that they already had permission to build. It was raised by over 1 metre from 4.3m to 5.4m. Due to the location of the proposed garage, this will stick out. The PC previously objected to the application due to this, and the PC are looking to express disappointment of the application being approved.

160/22 **Village Hall: Cllr Brockwell**

- a) *Organ* – The village hall organ has some keys that are not working properly. The Clerk is looking into getting this repaired. **CJ**

161/22 **Allotments: Cllr Robinson**

- a) *Remarking* – Cllr Robinson and Cllr Brockwell to remark and strim some of the allotment plots. **JB
GR**

162/22 **Communications: Cllr Dennis**

- a) *Donation to Church for distributing Albury Matters* – Cllr Dennis requested the Clerk to send a note confirming a donation of £200 to the church to assist with distribution costs for Albury Matters for 2021 and 2022. This fulfils the Council’s previous agreement to pay the church £100 p.a. **CJ**
- b) *Albury Matters* – Cllr Dennis said that she would shortly be producing Albury Matters and would circulate a draft for comment by Cllrs shortly.

163/22 **Environmental Projects: Cllr McCann**

- a) *Litter picks* – Cllr Brockwell proposed litter picks to be organized around the Parish. This will be advertised in the next edition of Albury Matters, which will be at the end of November.

164/22 **Neighbourhood Plan: Cllr Dennis**

- a) *Update* – Cllr Dennis and Cllr Brockwell advised that due to changes in the grant funding for Neighbourhood Plans the PC will have to return any unspent monies for the 2021-22 grant to Locality. We can reapply for the grant, but going forward any monies unspent in a financial year will need to be refunded. In addition Locality have made reductions in the amount of grant available for NP’s that include affordable housing. without this grant it makes any inclusion of affordable housing as part of CRTB/NDO in the Albury NP unviable, as the cost cannot be met. We cannot apply for a new grant or for AECOM support for Design Codes until the grant monies have been returned. This is with the RFO to complete currently. The draft plan should be completed by the end of November.

165/22 **Finance**

- a) *Bank reconciliation* – The reconciliation statement to the end of August was approved. Balance per cashbook is £67,917.81.
- b) *Payments and receipts* – Payments and receipts reports was approved. Net receipts over payments is £11,219.
- c) *Management reports* – Management report approved.
- d) *Transfer of banking* – The transfer of banking document was signed by all current signatories and given to the Clerk to post.

166/22 **Councillor’s Business**

- a) *Succession planning* – Cllr Dennis suggested to make a plan for succession as Cllr Brockwell has advised that he will not stand for PC in May. **CJ
SD**

167/22 **New Correspondence**

168/22 **Date of Meetings**

Full Council: 7th November, 5th December
Planning: 17th October, 7th November

The meeting closed at 21:00

Dated this:

Signed: C J Bishop-Wright, Parish Clerk