

Cowfold Parish Council
Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting held on Monday 10 October 2022 in the Allmond Centre

Present: Mr J Hooper (JH) (Acting Chairman) Mr S Clark (SC)
Mrs D Everest (DE) Mrs J Wright (JW) (Clerk)
Mr P Everest (PE)

Mrs S Payne – West Sussex County Councillor
Mr J Chowen – Horsham District Councillor
Mrs L Lambert – Horsham District Councillor

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Daniel Corcoran from Devine Homes tabled copies of the current plans and presented an update on the proposed housing development south of Station Road.

1. Apologies

Apologies for absence were received from Mr Reading, Ms Kingshott and Mrs Towle.

2. Approval of the Minutes

The minutes of the meeting held on Monday 12 September 2022 were agreed by all as a true and correct record.

3. Declarations of Interest

None.

4. Matters Arising

It was agreed to fund the use of the Allmond Centre by the Football Club for their 125 years celebrations provided that they leave the facility ready for the next hirer and pay for any additional cleaning deemed necessary.

5. Public

The owners of the property in Acorn Avenue who look after the two protected Oak trees that are in danger of being felled under Planning Application DC/22/0971, were in attendance to update the Councillors on progress made towards saving the trees.

Mrs Cutbush thanked the Parish Council for replacing the benches in the bowling green at Potters Green.

Residents of Potters Green were in attendance to listen to the update of the proposed housing development south of Station Road and express their concerns.

6. District Councillor Report

Mr Chowen and Mrs Lambert reported on the following issue:

- Water Neutrality Update

7. County Councillor Report

Mrs Payne reported on the following issues:

- Rampion 2 Consultation
- Warmer Homes Programme
- Stop Smoking Campaign
- Primary school application date
- Mobility aids disposal/recycling
- Closure of the Henfield section of A281, 17-21.10.22, 8pm-6am

8. Correspondence

None.

9. Speed Signs

Mr Everest and Mr Wilkins were thanked for carrying out the installation of the speed sign on the A272. Mr Everest presented some initial data collected from the sign.

10. Outdoor Gym

Mrs Wright said that she and Mrs Towle had invited Tim Bird from Proludic to the November Council meeting to present the results of the survey and suggested equipment for the proposed outdoor gym.

11. Village Clean-Up Day

It was agreed to make the Allmond Centre available for the clean-up day on Sunday 23 October 2022 as a meeting point and for serving refreshments.

The Clean-up committee were yet to find a first aider prepared to assist on the day. It was suggested that Jo Ball may be able to help. Mrs Wright said that she would contact Jo.

(JW)

12. Lower Beeding and Cowfold Parish Magazine

Following the delivery of complimentary copies of the magazine, a few residents had expressed an interest in subscribing to enable them to receive it monthly. This item will now be removed from the Agenda.

13. Neighbourhood Planning Update

A referendum date was still awaited.

14. The Allmond Centre

Mrs Wright had produced a Bookings Manager job description and it was agreed that if Ms Kingshott was still interested in adding this to the Caretaking/Facilities Manager duties, an additional 6 hours at the current rate would be paid for.

15. Representatives Reports

Planning

Nothing to report

Finance

Approval for payments was requested and agreed by all.

Open Spaces

Nothing to report.

Allotments

Nothing to report.

Roads & Transport

Nothing to report.

Footpaths

Nothing to report.

Streetlights

Nothing to report.

Greening Cowfold

Mr Hooper reported on the Following:

- Recycling Saturday
- Verges
- Butterfly Haven
- Climate Action Meeting

HALC

Nothing to report.

Village Hall

Nothing to report.

Website

Nothing to report.

CLC

Nothing to report.

The next meeting will be held on **Monday 14 November 2022.**

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.