

Alverdiscott and Huntshaw Parish Council
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Dear Councillors

You are summoned to attend the following meeting:

Parish Council Meeting
Wednesday 5th July 2023 at 7.30 pm in
Huntshaw Village Hall

Members of the public are encouraged to attend.

To receive information from District and County Councillors
Any other matters raised by the public

Chair opens the formal Parish Council meeting

- 1: **Apologies for absence** – to receive and accept any apologies for absence.
2. **Declarations of Interest** – to receive any Personal and/or Prejudicial interests from Councillors regarding matters due to be discussed
- 3: **Urgent Matters at the discretion of the Chair**
 - a) To consider repairs to the roof of the bus shelter and cost thereof
 - b) To discuss proposals regarding the Stony Cross telephone box
 - c) To consider updating the defibrillator situation
4. **Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday 10th May 2023**
- 5: **Matters arising from the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 10th May 2023**
- 6: **Finance:**
 - (a) Receive and approve the final accounts, bank reconciliation and budgetary summary documents to be provided to the Internal Auditor
 - (b) Approve cheques for payment following the meeting.
- 7: **To consider and approve the Agar Documentation including:**
 - A) To approve the dates for the exercise of public rights
 - B) To receive and approve the AGAR Internal Audit report
- 8: **Planning**
 - a: To receive and comment on new planning applications and any decisions reached on prior applications since the last meeting in accordance with attached report from Cllr Jim White

9: Discussion regarding the implementation of a Road Warden scheme and insurance implications0

10: To discuss proposed changes regarding the editorship of "The Local Rag" Magazine

11: Correspondence:

a: to receive report from Cllr Graham White on communications with Mr Staines regarding his future intention to continue (or not) as Snow Warden and consequent location of the council snow plough.

Date of next meeting, Wednesday 6th September at Alverdiscott Village Hall at 7.30 pm

**Alan Matthewman
Clerk to the Parish Council**

Attachments

7-2023-8-1: Report by chair of planning group

7-2023-6-1: Financial Reports

Alverdiscott & Huntshaw Planning Committee Report

1st July 2023

Committee:- Liz Meaney, Helen Bolton, Bernard Hardwick, Gill Ross, Jim White

There has been one planning application since the last parish council meeting that has been considered by the committee. It was a new build dwelling on the edge of Alverdiscott on a green field site adjacent to a barn owned by the same applicant that has permission for a conversion. As the new site was on a green field and outside the Torridge District Plan, TDC Planning issued a Departure Notice informing the applicants that the application fell outside the provisions of the District Plan and our PC filed an objection as well. As a result the application was withdrawn.

Training

The PC Planning training took place on the 17th May in Huntshaw village hall. The majority of the PC were able to attend and it was a very useful meeting. Helen Smith gave the talk and in addition to her main presentation she was able to answer many questions relating to planning and our district including some insights into the XLinks Project. Everyone that attended felt that it had been a worthwhile session and the overhead projection system worked well once it had been switched on! We have a copy of her Powerpoint presentation should any member like a copy please let me know.

XLinks Project

There have been no new developments on the project although Helen Smith did refer to it during her presentation and it would appear that only the Old Showground site is now being considered. She indicated that there was a good possibility that TDC will have the final say on the planning matters as all the project will take place within Torridge which is apparently unusual on projects of this size, but only time will tell.

There is a public meeting being held in Alverdiscott village hall on the 30th June where Sir Geoffrey Cox and representatives from XLinks will bring residents up to

date with matters and answer questions. I will give verbal report on the meeting at our council meeting.

Staines Trailers Enforcement Order

Further cleaning up of the site has taken place since the last meeting but the company is still occupying a corner of the field and there has been no further progress for the last month. We have not received any further update from the TDC Enforcement Officer.

The matter was raised with Helen Smith at the training session and she indicated that a final solution that pleased everyone would be difficult to achieve. The TDC preferred outcome was that the firm move and the brownfield site be redeveloped and an up market housing development of about a dozen houses built to very high standards designed using materials that would be in keeping with the rest of the Huntshaw settlement.

Recent Planning Applications

Planning Application - Alverdiscott - 1/0368/2023/FUL

Erection of 1 dwelling, garage and car port with associated works

PC Comments

The Alverdiscott & Huntshaw PC opposes the application as it is outside the North Devon and Torridge Local Plan and no requirement for a local needs dwelling has been identified in addition there are Environmental Protection concerns.

This application has subsequently been withdrawn

J.V. White
PC Planning Committee