

Minutes

Aighton, Bailey and Chaigley Parish Council

Parish Council Meeting 19th August 2024 7:00 pm

	PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
1	Present: Margaret Carrington (Chair) David Bland, Christine Holden, Simon Bailey Lynne Hepworth Julie Chang (clerk) Apologies Isaac Nutter, Des Harwood, Jan Alcock Chris Berry
2	Minutes from the last meeting for approval proposed by Simon Bailey and seconded by Lynn Hepworth
3	Matters Arising from minutes. none
4	Matters raised by attending public. One member of the public present, no matters raised.
5	Correspondence – <i>a. 3.7.24 Insurance renewal – do we increase cover and if so by how much – Need to increase cover on playground as the climbing frame was £25k to purchase and is only part of the playground, so increase to £70k. Also enquire with insurers re-rebuild valuation, is an estate agent valuation accurate enough.</i> <i>b. 11.7.24 invitation to crime prevention expo at UCLAN on 14.8.24</i> <i>c. 29.7.24 request from Ron Bailey for support re lithium ion batteries – the parish council supports this in principle.</i> <i>d. 21.7.24 Parking on the Bayley Field – The Bayley field is not to be used for parking. This has highlighted the need for policies around the Bayley field to be updated. Clerk to arrange a meeting with Memorial Hall Committee, for September, to discuss.</i> <i>e. 24.7.24 Parish and Town Council Survey 2024: Consultation to be shared with Councillors for individual responses by 2 September</i> <i>f. 25.7.24 Temporary Closure - Footpath FP0303047</i> <i>g. 30.7. review of settlement boundaries from RVBC – some of the local facilities were not included in the review so this needs amending. Clerk to contact.</i> <i>h. 3.08 2024 Letter from Dr L Harrison re Locked Gate/Bailey field/Neighbourhood watch – Parish council have already discussed the locked gate, no further discussion, are aware of the situation on the Bayley field and the Goal post is in the process of being repaired, (to go on agenda) neighbourhood watch and youth activity included in AOB.</i> <i>i. 5.8.24 Invitation to LALC conference 7th September. Councillors to let clerk know if they wish to attend.</i> <i>J 7.8.24 email from N Litchfield re Giant Redwood – this has been discussed at PC previously, but no suitable parish council land was identified.</i> <i>K 16.8.24 email regarding king’s award for voluntary service -noted.</i>
6	<p>a. Finance – Balance as of 02.08.24 16329.13</p> <p>b. Cheques: grass cutting £408, LALC subscription, 193.34 next gift card £35, clerks salary £450, photocopy map £16.70 and frame £23.95 bus shelter works £97.20</p> <p>c. Direct debit: website £300.00 and £36.96</p> <p>d. Income: £800.00 from LCC re footpaths and biodiversity</p> <p>e. Electronic Banking: - TBA</p> <p>f. Vat Return – applied for £961.96</p> <p>g. Concurrent grant – applied for £3171.00 applied for</p>
7	Planning applications:

	<p>3/2024/0426 10 The Dene by 14.7.24 no objections raised 3/2024/0490 Lower Hud Lee by 17.7.24 no objections raised 3/2024/0480, Greenthorn Farm BY 18.7.24 no objections raised 3/2024/0573 Halls Barn Farm by 29.7.24 no objections raised 3/2024/0495 Springwood by 31.7.24 no objections raised 3/2024/0527 Foxfields by 5.8.24 No objections raised 3/2024/0476, Plane Tree Farm by 15.8.24 no objections raised 3/2024/0444, 6B The Dene by 26.8.24 Work has started without planning consent. The parish council does not support building developments which disregard the planning laws. 3/2024/0133, Deerhurst Knowles Brow by 28.8.24. This was discussed as councillors raised concerns that building work has been going on here since 2020, with retrospective planning permission at each step of the way from the original demolition and rebuild to the current work which has been commenced without planning permission. The parish council does not support building developments which disregard the planning laws.</p>
8	<p>Forward Plan :</p> <p>8a) Memorial hall car park – resurfacing work begins in September. Markings have been designed to include areas for pedestrian access (to the playground)</p> <p>8b) Playground – fencing – councillors had had a look at the fence and thought it to be robust and in need of repair rather than replacement. Decision deferred until September, after RoSPA inspection. softpour - deferred until September</p> <p>8c) Best Kept Village competition Sadly we did not make it into the next round of the competition, but the village has benefitted from the hard work of all those involved and looks beautiful. The parish council wishes to thank Nancy Bailey and all those involved, and Chris Holden for the display on the war memorial.</p> <p>8d) CCTV- this has been discussed in the past but thought unnecessary in the village but has been revisited in light of the recent arson attack on the school. Funding is no longer available for CCTV from the council, however it is proposed that we look at the possibilities of providing CCTV for the Memorial Hall, car park and playground.</p>
9	SpID – appears to be beyond repair. Take off agenda.
10	Website – photographs of councillors for website taken and will be uploaded
11	Review of risk assessments. Deferred until September.
12	Internal audit. – documents sent off, notices displayed. Outcome awaited.
13	Bus Shelters – work has been done on roof of Knowles Brow bus shelter. The Parish council extends its grateful thanks to Charles Nutter for undertaking this.
14	Copy of Map – a photocopy of the Parish Council Map, showing the parish boundaries and rights of way following the countryside act of 1949 has been made and framed, to be displayed in the jubilee room.
15	Trees on the police bank -have already been trimmed
16	Public footpaths/biodiversity opt in – funding applied for - £800 Received. Any before and after photographs of work done by volunteers to keep pathways clear, or of biodiversity projects, please send to clerk@aightonbaileyandchaigley-pc.gov.uk Also if anyone has any ideas for pathways or biodiversity requiring funding please contact the parish council at that address.
16	<p>Any other business</p> <p>Bayley Arms – SB contacted the brewery to enquire about the status of the pub. They have said that they are looking for a long-term tenant and will review the situation if they are unsuccessful.</p> <p>Neighbourhood watch – Lucy Harrison has started a neighbourhood watch group for Hurst Green. There are window stickers available if anyone wants them. The next meeting is planned for September 12th at St Peters Club. Everyone interested is encouraged to sign up</p>

	<p>at http://members.stayintheknow.co.uk if they want accurate up to date email information about crime and crime prevention in the area.</p> <p>Facilities for young people – Catriona Canty has been liaising with interested parents in the village and Matt from Sport England about developing an active village programme in the village.</p> <p>Landslide partially obstructing highway on chipping road – already reported on ‘love clean streets’ clerk to chase up with LCC Highways.</p>
17	<p>Date of Next Meeting Monday 16th September, Monday 21st October, Monday 18th November No December meeting 2025: Monday 20th January Monday 17th February Monday 17th March</p>