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Minutes of Church Aston Parish Council

Held at Church Aston School, Church Aston on Monday 13th April 2015. The meeting commenced at 7.00pm

Present: Cllr Simon Stacey (Chairman), Cllr Paul Evans (Vice Chairman), Cllr Brian Richards, Cllr John Pay, Cllr Mike Stansfield, & Cllr Mike Stacey

Also in attendance: Borough Cllr Andrew Eade & Mike Atherton: Clerk to CAPC

Apologies	Cllr Pat Sansom, Cllr Fiona McKeown, Cllr Billie Knight	
Declarations of Interest	None	
Public Session	No members of the public present	
Minutes of the last meeting	Minutes of the meeting held on 2 nd March 2015 – proposed Cllr Paul Evans, seconded by Cllr John Pay, and unanimously agreed.	
Matters Arising	 Repairs to footway over the former railway bridge – no feedback from T&WC so Clerk to chase for an update of proposed actions; S.106 funding for improvements to play area – nothing to report at present. Clerk to progress chase an enquiry regards flooding of the existing play area; Parish Notice Boards – Cllr Richards reported on progress to date; Dog fouling issues – Cllr Mike Stansfield reported that notices had now been posted and the alleyway to Springfield Stores was now much better. Still some issues on the playing fields but likely to improve with light nights. Agreed all to monitor and review the situation at the next meeting. 	
	Public Session Minutes of the last meeting	

Cllr Eade confirmed the an appeal by the occupants

PARISH PROJECTS & COMMUNITY MATTERS

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	Cohool	a spiret as improvement action control by TOMO would be
	School	against an improvement notice served by T&WC would be heard on Wednesday 15 th April 2015.
7.	Projects for the Parish	(i) 20 mph Speed Limit: the Clerk provided an analysis of consultation responses including a diverse range of supplementary comments. 16 of 18 respondents supported the proposals for a 20 mph speed limit whilst 2 residents supported alternative actions to control speeds. 9 respondents would like to see speed control measures introduced at Wallshead Way or for the whole village.
		Following detailed discussions Cllr Evans proposed, and Cllr Richards seconded, the 20 mph speed limit scheme and also the budget quotation provided by T&WC. CAPC to contribute a sum in the order of £2,160.00 and T&WC to meet associated legal costs of the traffic regulation order.
		Cllrs acknowledged the importance of giving further consideration to feedback provided by residents and agreed to review representations made during informal consultations. Action: Clerk to include item in next agenda.
		(ii) Planters: Progress noted and agreed to consider further at the next meeting.
		(iii) Wild Flower Planting Scheme: Cllr Evans confirmed that T&WC have now weed treated the four locations prior to rotivating and planting in a few weeks' time.
		There was brief discussion about an area adjacent the Mere and it was agreed the area would be checked to confirm its condition prior to decision on any actions.
		(iv) Closed Section of Churchyard: The clerk had met with Mrs Whitfield to discuss extent of hedge and possibly tree works. Agreed: to obtain quotations in two parts for hedge trimming / cutting back including some tree pruning. The Clerk advised that this had not yet been progressed due to other priorities and that it would be progressed prior to the next meeting.
		(v) Street Lighting Contract: NTC had not considered the proposal as agreed however a revised date was now confirmed for consideration on 22 nd April 2015. No issues are anticipated and therefore the Clerk will liaise with NTC and E.on to put contract arrangements into place
		(v) Community Defibrillator: Since the meeting in March the Clerk had circulated a copy of an article published in the Parish Clerk magazine identifying a range of issues for parish council's when considering providing a community defibrillator. Cllr Richards commented upon the onerous training and maintenance obligations of the proposal and other members commented upon potential liabilities should

8.	Representatives Reports	the equipment be used incorrectly or be inoperable when needed. Agreed: Unanimously agreed not to proceed with this project. (vi) Emerging Community Projects: no new projects. Parish Newsletter (SS): contributions for the May edition to be forwarded to Cllr S. Stacey not later than 25th April; Village Hall (BK): in the absence of Cllr Knight, Cllr Richards provided a brief update on proposed roof repair works and related quotations. Cllrs discussed various match-funding options and agreed to consider further at the next meeting; Rural Forum (PE): nothing to report; Bus Users Group (BR): Cllr Richards reported that Telford Central Station is to be relocated next to the new ASDA better serving the Southwater development. New bus station to have two coach stands and also electronic information boards. However there is currently a funding shortfall to be addressed. Separately, the Arriva manager has agreed to review scheduling issues relating to services 481 and 491 Newport Regeneration Partnership (JP): Cllr Pay reported that the MEP and the vice-chancellor from Harper Adams University had attended a recent NRP meeting to hear a presentation on a draft economic strategy for Newport. The presentation was well received and it was agreed the draft strategy should feed into the Shaping Places process. The outcome of an £8m HAU bid to government is awaited. Shaping Places (JP): nothing to report; T&WC (AE): Cllr Eade informed CAPC Cllrs of the conservative group's alternative budget strategy and priorities including re-providing a recycling centre in Newport, reviewing Shaping Places process in light of consultation responses, dedicating the Station Road West site to community use, and introducing a community infrastructure levy (CIL) scheme to penalise greenfield developments in favour of brownfield.
9.	Correspondence	 FOI request from a resident of The Barns Letter from T&WC apologising for early payment of a 2015/16 precept payment as it may affect closure of 2014/15 accounts; Letter from WME advising of electricity tariffs for the coming year; Various consultation responses relating to the 20 mph speed limit proposal (ref: Parish Projects); Correspondence with the information Commissioner regards registration information and annual

PO	LICY & PLANNING N	 subscriptions; Email from T&WC providing notices of uncontested election for Church Aston & Wallshead, Church Aston; Letter and spring newsletter from insurers Came & Company Various email correspondence previously circulated to Parish Cllrs 		
10	Shaping Places / Newport Indicative Master-Plan	Nothing new to report on Shaping Places Please see agenda item 8 above - reference Newport Regeneration Partnership		
11.	Planning Applications	Please see the monthly planning schedule.		
FINANCE & GOVERNANCE				
12	Accounts and Payments	The Clerk had previously circulated the year-end accounts and fourth quarter bank reconciliation details for Cllrs consideration. The fourth quarter bank reconciliation was agreed and signed.		
		The Clerk reported verbally on the account balance at year- end, and as at the date of the meeting (13/04/2015).		
		Members noted payments made since the last meeting including payment of the Clerks salary.		
13.	Personnel Committee	Clerk to review options for social media training in light of member interest in this form of community interaction.		
14.	Compliance Matters	Cllrs considered the Risk Assessment and agreed it subject to including provision for monthly back-up and for storage of electronic information at a place separate to the Clerk's home. Proposed Cllr Paul Evans, seconded Cllr Fiona Mckeown and unanimously approved.		
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16	Roads, Hedges and Ditches	 a. Cllr M. Stacey asked if a map of NCR55 was available as a public document – Clerk to investigate; b. Cllr M. Stansfield advised that surveyors linked to the Newport Aldi development had been observed measuring the village hall car park; c. Cllr Evans asked if there was any news regarding a 40 		

mph sign on Longford Road – awaiting T&WC response; d. Cllr Evans asked for a brief update on nominations for the Worthy Citizen Awards – one nomination received; e. Cllr Evans reported a faulty street light outside No. 10 The Dale – Clerk to expedite; f. Cllr Pay reported that a cover had fallen off a lamp column opposite to the home of Cllr Richards; g. Cllr Evans reminded colleagues of their legal obligation to provide an election expenses return including a nil return: h. Cllr S. Stacey commented on a need to replace 40 mph repeater signs along Wellington Road, and to cut back hedging that is obscuring 40 mph signs and repeater signs; Cllr S. Stacey enquired about the frequency of sweeping along Wellington Road due to excessive dust blowing off the development site – clerk to contact developers; Cllr Stansfield enquired about cleaning of traffic signs with particular reference to one at the A518 junction with Liddles Bank..

Date and time of next meeting confirmed as follows:

- Church Aston PC Annual General Meeting to be held at 7.00pm on Monday 11th March 2015 at the Village School starting at 7.00 pm
- Church Aston PC monthly business meeting to follow-on from the AGM at approximately 7.40 pm

Meeting closed at 9.00 pm	
Signed Chairman:	Date: