



**Aintree Village Parish Council**

**Minutes of meeting of the Parish Council held on  
Monday 16 October 2017 at 7.00pm**

**Present** Councillors - M Carter(Chair), M Wykes, G Downey, N Kelly, G Harris, G Payne, R Preston, S Gent, F Forrest

**In Attendance** M Dilworth (Parish Clerk), Karen Ellis (RFO)

**6589 Apologies for absence**

Councillors - J Colbert

**6590 Declarations of interest**

None.

**6591 Public participation**

None.

**6592 Minutes of previous meeting**

It was resolved to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 18 September 2017 and the chairman was authorised to sign as a correct record.

**6593 Update on matters arising from minutes (for information only)**

*The Clerk gave an update on matters arising -*  
: Aintree Racecourse Footpath.  
: Aintree Lane / Sherwoods Lane area.  
: Fly posting.

**6594 Reports from external meetings and Chairman's report (for information only)**

*Cllr M Carter reported -*  
: Attendance at licencing of the Revd. Sam Korn at St Giles church, Aintree Village.  
: Attendance at the Sefton Central Area Committee meeting . Police report stated that crime in the area was generally on the increase but proportionately not as high in Sefton Central as in other Merseyside regions. Cllr M Carter also spotlighted the recent press report with regard to the abandonment of the Sefton Area Committees.

**6595 Financial matters**

It was resolved to accept - Budget monitoring report for September 2017.

It was resolved to accept - Bank reconciliation for September 2017.

It was resolved to accept - Current payments for authorisation.

External Audit Report & Certificate - Noted - Certificate to be posted on Webpage

*The issue of a certificate of completion by the external auditor effectively concludes and 'closes' the audit process for any given year.*



Payments Authorised as at 16 October 2017

	Payee	Details	Amount	Cheque No / Pay Type
1	HMRC	Tax/Ni Month 07	£146.40	6241
2	Maghull Town Council	Grounds maintenance September 2017	£1,560.00	6242
3	K Ellis	Stamps £7.14	£11.15	6243
4	BDO	Annual audit charge year ending 31 March 2017	£480.00	6244
5	Came & Co	Annual insurance renewal	£3,629.82	6245
6	Frank Boyle	Payment of Odd-Job Man - Replacement Drain Cover in Park and Keys	£60.00	6246
7	Epica	Health & Safety Support October 2017	£60.00	DDR
8	Natwest Autopay	Payroll September 2017	£1,384.49	DDR
9	Natwest Autopay	Monthly bank charges- September 2017	£7.24	DDR
10	Hive Telecom	Call charges September 2017	£5.27	DDR
11	Natwest	Charges September 2017	£5.60	DDR
12	Extra Energy-Contract 892288	Electricity Changing Rooms 25June-24 August 2017 Estimated	£83.31	DDR
13	Extra Energy-Contract 892253	Electricity Bowls Pavilion 25 August-24 September 2017 2017 Estimated	£4.62	DDR
14	Extra Energy-Contract 892287	Electricity Council Chambers 21 April-11 September 2017-Actual	£19.47	DDR
15	Liverpool Lock Solutions	Emergency Lock removal to garage compound after vandalism	£45.00	6247
16	Fire Safety Services	Fire Risk Assessment	£300.00	6248
17	M Dilworth	Stamps	£46.82	6249
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<b>Total cost of payments</b>			<b>£7,849.19</b>	

**Summary of balances 30.09.17**

Current Account

£

£44,424.32

Reserve account

£102,478.00

Less Unpresented Cheques

-£10,964.41

Less Uncredited Funds

£0.00

**Funds Available****£135,937.91**

- 6596 Annual donation to the Royal British Legion in lieu of a wreath on Remembrance Sunday**  
The Parish Council resolved that in accordance with its powers under section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972, it should incur the following expenditure which in the Parish Council's opinion, is in the interests of the area or its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with the expenditure: a grant of £100.00 to the Royal British Legion.
- 6597 Register of persons interested in the work of the Parish Council - Cllr Harris**  
It was resolved to -  
Post notices on the two noticeboards within Aintree Village  
Include a passage within any invitations to the annual civic service  
Approach the local press for an inclusion in the local newspaper  
*: all with regard to encouraging local citizens to engage with local Parish Council business with the prospect of becoming Parish Councillors, if a vacancy should arise.*
- 6598 Renewal of PO Box - Clerk**  
It was resolved not to renew the PO Box facility. The Clerk's home address will appear on the Parish Council Webpage.
- 6599 Park & safety issues**  
*The Clerk gave an update on park issues*  
It was resolved to purchase a laptop for the use of any park staff  
It was resolved to allow the purchase of some small pieces of equipment to allow F Boyle to undertake repair works needed including those recommended within the ROSPA report.  
*The maximum expenditure on the laptop and small equipment should not exceed £500 (plus VAT)*  
It was resolved to proceed with the asset valuation exercises  
*The maximum expenditure not to exceed £430.00 (plus VAT) for equipment & surface valuations*  
*The maximum expenditure not to exceed £500.00 (plus VAT) for building valuations.*  
The Clerk reported an increase in acts of vandalism -  
Damage to three padlocks, requiring a visit from a locksmith to the value of £45.  
Recent repair to park bench now requires re-fixing.  
Air-vent screen wrenched from rear of changing room building, on more than one occasion.  
The earlier paint vandalism - It was agreed that it is now remedied to an acceptable standard. The cost is £61 (plus VAT). No requirement for Insurance claim, total costs would be below excess levels.  
Cllr Gent to contact Police re presence in park.  
Fire Risk Assessment recently completed - report to follow shortly  
Additional Risk Assessment received from EPICA - F Boyle incorporating into H&S File.  
Still awaiting Risk Assessments with regard to Chemicals - require Data Handling sheets (less than three years old) before EPICA can proceed.  
F Boyle reported an incident of older teenagers causing some issues in the smaller child play areas - recommended signs be erected, limiting entry by age.  
F Boyle reported difficulties and safety issues with regard to the poor car park markings, especially evident at busy periods eg football matches. Clerk looking at obtaining costings.  
Awaiting costings on PAT and Hardwire testing  
Awaiting costings on Waste removal (weekly collection by Sefton Council)  
Pitch Marking - Clerk stated that this was a time consuming exercise on her part.

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**Planning**

App No 1776 - 26 Canterbury Close L10 8LA

Prior approval submission for a proposed rear extension projecting 4.050 metres from the rear wall of the original dwellinghouse with a height of 2.5 metres at the eaves and 3.750 metres at the pitch - Noted

*note Cllr G Harris stated that he has not declared an interest in this application, as he is not a near neighbour.*

App No 1793 - 2 Tonbridge Drive L10 6LR

Erection of a single storey extension to the rear of the dwellinghouse. - Noted

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**Correspondence (for information only)**

LALC Newsletter, Sep17 - Circulated

LALC annual accounts (YEnd March 2017) - Circulated

Draft Liverpool City Region SHELMA - Circulated

Community Woodlands & Wood Allotments - Circulated

NALC consultation - planning for the right homes in the right places - Circulated

Nomination for Countryside Alliance Awards - Circulated

Law Commission consultation (Law of Wills) - Circulated

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**Date of next meeting**

Monday 20 November 2017 at 7.00pm

The meeting closed at 8.35 pm

Minutes 6589 to 6602 received as a correct record on 20 November 2017

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Chairman