A Meeting of Great Alne Parish Council was held at 7pm on Thursday 18th May 2023 at The Function Room, Maudslay House, Great Alne Park, Henley Road, Great Alne, B49 6HX

PRESENT Councillors Mr L Bowring, Mr P Clark, Mr I Millard, Ms D Francis. Members of the public: approximately 10

1. APOLOGIES FOR Cllr M Jenkins, Cllr J Kerridge and Cllr T Holmes.

2. DECLARATION **OF INTERESTS**

ABSENCE

Cllrs Jenkins and Francis have declared a non-pecuniary interest in the amendments to planning applications regarding Great Alne Park.

MINUTES

3. TO CONFIRM THE Minutes from the March 2023 Parish Council Meeting minutes were approved by the Councillors. Cllr Millard asked the Clerk to add his name to the list of councillors who attended the meeting. The Clerk apologised for the oversight.

ACTION: to be signed by the Chairman and filed by the Clerk.

OPEN FORUM

4a. Representations from residents

The Clerk reported that she had been contacted by a resident regarding closure of West Entrance to GAP and proposed non-material planning amendment. The Chairman decided to consider this at agenda point 4f) under the Great Alne Park update.

The Clerk also reported that there had been a debate on the parish council's Facebook page regarding the safety of children on the roads in Great Aine, particularly near the school. The guery also related to the operation of the Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS) near school.

The Chairman explained that the VAS had not worked for a number of years and the Clerk explained the history behind the registration and maintenance issues relating to this VAS (see minutes of previous PC meetings) and confirmed that she has been liaising with WCC about whether it can be repaired or replaced. There are other options for speeding signs while they are extremely expensive, there will be funding streams available and these should be considered.

Cllr Millard noted that WCC do not consider outside of the school to be the worst area in the parish for speeding issues. However, the fact there is a crossing warden at the entrance speaks volumes.

The Clerk mentioned that she was liaising with WCC regarding traffic calming outside GAP at the East Entrance on Henley Road. She suggested that WCC might be prepared to undertake a review of traffic and signage for the school as part of the same assessment. The councillors agreed and the Clerk said she would approach WCC.

The Chairman also asked the Clerk to liaise with WCC to remove the broken VAS while the streetlights are being upgraded.

ACTION: the Clerk to contact WCC to ask if the traffic and road safety review scheduled for the GAP entrance on Henley Road could also include the area outside of school on School Road. This is in addition to the conversation about road signage for wildlife at the entrances to the village and along Spernal Lane (ie deer warnings).

4b. Alcester South SNT & crime statistics update

The Clerk receives a weekly report from the Alcester South SNT, as well as through the new Warwickshire Connected Police free community messaging system which residents are encouraged to subscribe to. It is very quick and easy to sign up here: https://www.warwickshireconnected.com.

How to report a suspected crime or suspicious behaviour:

- Always report an active crime on 999
- Non-emergency calls can be made on 101
- Online reporting services are also available on the Warwickshire police's website: https://www.warwickshire.police.uk/ro/report/
- Twitter @AlcesterCops
- Facebook Alcester Police
- Instagram southwarwickshiresnts

The main issues that are currently affecting our parish and surrounding area are still vehicle crime including theft and damage, anti-social behaviour, burglaries of sheds, garages and outbuildings.

4c. County Councillor's Report

Cllr Kerridge was unable to attend the meeting and has sent his apologies.

Cllr Kerridge had sent the Clerk an update on his activities for the financial year 2022-23 for reading out at the Annual Meeting earlier in the evening, so the Clerk referred to this at the meeting.

4d. District Councillor's Report

Cllr Forman did not stand for election in May 2023 and a new District Councillor had been elected. Cllr Thom Holmes was unable to attend the meeting this evening and had sent his apologies. In the absence of a district councillor's report, the Clerk had prepared a brief overview of the main issues and developments from 2022-23 that had been provided though the year by Cllr Forman. The Clerk had read this out at the Annual Meeting earlier in the evening, so the Chairman made reference to this report at this meeting.

4e. GAKMH parish councillor representative's report

Cllr Melvyn Jenkins, GAPC representative on the GAKMH committee, provided the following report for the Clerk to read out in his absence:

The Memorial Hall AGM will be held on Thursday 25th May commencing at 7pm and all village residents are invited to attend to hear a full account of our activities, the improvements made to the Hall and our future plans. The Hall accounts will also be presented.

The following events are scheduled: Village BBQ -7.30pm on 30th June

Macmillan Coffee Morning -10.00am Saturday 30th September African Drumming and Dining- 7.30pm Saturday 21 October.

Christmas Coffee Morning - 10.00am Saturday 25 November Christmas is Coming- 6.00pm. Sunday 3 December Christmas Celebration - 7.30 pm Friday 8 December,

Agreement was reached with management at Great Alne Park to include the Memorial Hall's quarterly newsletter the Hall Herald in the Maudslay Brief commencing with the March edition

At the meeting held on 24th April it was reported that all the Representative Trustees will be continuing in their roles for 2023/24 and that all Elected Trustees are willing to stand again.

New regular bookings -

Parent and Baby Group which commenced in February and is a twice weekly booking. Pilates Class from the beginning of March and again is a twice weekly booking. Ad Hoc Meetings continue to be guite strong.

The major items of work which have been completed in the past year are as follows:-Decoration of the Main Hall

Installation of a new bar in the former committee room.

A new alarm system has been installed throughout the building.

Installation of new LED lighting in the main Hall.

There have been major concerns regarding the condition of the adjoining former Social Club with numerous letters being sent by the Hall to the landlord and as it was not known what the landlord's intentions were (if any) for the future of the

Club, the Parish Council applied to SDC to have the former Social Club registered as an Asset of Community Value with the decision scheduled to be made by 17 May 2023. The landlord has now advised that he wishes to sell the building and advised a price range with the Memorial Hall being given first refusal.

The Clerk confirmed that SDC has denied the application to register the former Social Club as an asset of community value. The information provided by the current owner had been redacted from the confirmation letter. This was discussed by the councillors and the Chairman asked the Clerk to contact SDC and find out what options are available to GAPC to challenge this decision, as the status and condition of the social club is exactly the same now as when it first registered as an ACV in 2016.

Action: Following the meeting, The Clerk contacted SDC's Estates Planning team to discuss the decision and find out next steps. Clerk will report back at the next PC meeting on 6 July.

4f. Update on Great Alne Park

The latest developments on Great Alne Park were provided by Cllr Melvyn Jenkins following a recent update from IVG Management (IVG):

- Regarding Phase 3, IVG has confirmed the reopening of the East Entrance by late June 2023.
- · IVG will submit a non-material amendment application to resolve technical issues on the Western Entrance Gateway off Park Lane. As is consistent with the attached reserved matters approval (see 'Western Entrance Gateway Original Plan'), the revised proposal will still restrict vehicular access, with limited access only permitted for emergency vehicles. The access controls will be reconfigured so that resident fobswill no longer provide vehicular access. As agreed with GAPC during a recent meeting, the pedestrian access gate will be left open from 7am 10pm (see PL-G-01 (A) an PL-G-02 (A) plans to be amended to reflect revised times for pedestrian access).

- As requested by GAPC and the case officer, IV are to agree the revised proposal with the West Lodge neighbour prior to commencing any works to the Western Entrance Gateway. IV management have been in touch with the West Lodge residents prior to this meeting.
- A pre-app covering note and supporting LVIA documents have been provided to GAPC regarding the proposed solar farm. As mentioned in the cover letter, IVG's preference is for the solar farm to be located directly adjacent to the cricket club
- · IVG recently submitted 3no. non-material amendment applications for additional parking spaces across phases 1 and 2. If approved, this amendment will provide 1 to 1 parking plus additional spaces for guests. The plans have been circulated to the councillors for consideration.

i) Discussion regarding IVG's proposed planning amendments

The councillors then discussed the proposed planning amendments by IVG. There were no immediate causes for concern and the councillors were grateful to IVG for consulting with the parish council on these matters. The Chairman said that any responses to the non-material amendments would be submitted when they were formally received via the planning department at SDC.

One of the residents noted that the application for the additional parking spaces had just appeared on the planning portal earlier that day. The Clerk noticed that the deadline for comments was one working day later.

After the meeting, the Clerk contact the case officer to seek an extension of the deadline for comments to allow the councillors to consider the plans in further detail. The case officer replied as follows:

The applications you refer to are being considered as non-material amendments to the development and therefore unlike other applications do not require reconsultation of statutory consultees or neighbours.

I can inform you that I have recommended approval to these applications and they are awaiting confirmation of my recommendation from my line manager who will be signing off the reports today.

The proposals increase the number of car parking spaces within phases 1, 2 and 3 of the development. There is no impact on any neighbours outside the development and the car parking spaces are located in areas where either existing car parking spaces are already present or in front of some of the dwellings. The agent has provided confirmation that the neighbours affected have provided their consent for the parking spaces.]

ii) Update on signage on Henley Road at the East Entrance

The Clerk confirmed that a meeting had taken place at the end of March with GAPC, IVG and WCC's Road Safety Unit to discuss signage and traffic calming on Henley Road at the East Entrance to GAP (see also agenda point 6h below).

A number of options for traffic calming were discussed:

- a buffer zone of 40mph either side of the GAP access, with 'dragons teeth' markings on the road. The buffer would go from 50mph to 40mph and then into 30mph travelling into the village from Little Alne direction and from 30 to 40mph leaving the village from the Alcester direction - only getting to 50mph once well past the GAP entrance.
- New white gateway features with the 40mph limit on (in addition to the existing ones with 30mph on). The criteria and data would be assessed in order to agree the reduction, but it was considered that the access could be viewed as a new junction. The key data would be once GAP is at full capacity there could be up to 1,000 vehicle movements a day from residents, staff, service vehicles and delivery vehicles.

- 'Slow' markings could also be written on the road on the approach from both directions. There could not be physical features at the access as that part of the road is not street lit.
- WCC did not consider that junction warnings would be installed. There would be a conflict between Highways and IVG if the signs were on IVG land. Further, putting such signs on IVG land would be too close to the access and would not provide enough warning to drivers. The officer did, however, suggest the installation of Advanced Direction Signs notifying of GAP village access. WCC would install these. They would have a white background, black text with a chevron end and would be reflective. Notice of the GAP access and the speed limit would be on the signs (the dimensions of the signs are approximately 1m x 30cm).

WCC confirmed that planning permission would not be required for these measures – nor will they be subject to a s.278 agreement.

The next steps would be agreement on the measures and funding (approximately £15,000-£20,000). WCC would then arrange for a road safety audit to be completed, with a view to drawing up the plans for agreement and submission before September, in order to fit the works in this financial year.

At a recent online meeting, IVG and GAPC confirmed they are happy to support all the proposed measures on the basis of the more traffic calming measures, the better. IVG have agreed to contribute £12,000 towards the cost and GAPC can access some of Cllr Kerridge's County Councillor Highways Fund as well as potentially allocating some funding from reserves (such expenditure has not been provisioned for in this year's budget). The Chairman also noted that as GAPC's election had been uncontested, there was a £3,000 provision which had not been spent and could possibly be reallocated.

Later in the meeting (see point 6h below), the councillors agreed that the £3,000 from the unspent election budget would be reallocated to fund the proposals. GAPC would also be able to access £3,000 from Cllr Kerridge's allocated Highways Budget for Great Alne.

This totals £18,000 towards the cost, with IVG confirming that they may have some flexibility if the budget comes in nearer the top end of the estimated required investment.

4g. Climate Change update

The last Climate Action Group (CAG) meeting was on 2 April and the next one is on 21 May. At the last meeting we discussed drafting a number of policy documents around the various climate action areas for GAPC to adopt. The group considered how best to approach preparing its terms of reference, using the South Warwickshire Local Plan and climate change objectives of SDC and WCC as a framework.

The group considered climate change issues that might be of most relevance to the parish council and its residents and how best to communicate strategy with residents and provide an open dialogue for them to guide the parish council's priorities. The group considered the efficacy of the carbon calculator as a tool to measure any changes in the parish's carbon footprint as there is a need to demonstrate a quantifiable improvement through the results of any actions and changes.

The group also considered potential funding opportunities to help finance any climate CAG projects. The group will need to be specific and realistic about which projects are taken on, bearing in mind the size of the parish and investment available.

The next CAG meeting is 21 May, at which will be considered the main 6/7 priorities for residents with a view to preparing a survey to go with a dedicated Climate Change newsletter. The results of this survey will help the group to determine priorities and where focus is best placed. The group will also do some further work on the draft policy documents.

MATTERS ARISING

5a. Mother Huff Cap

The Clerk confirmed that there has been little progress on the parking surface at the pub or the provision of disabled spaces but she understands communication with the developer is ongoing.

5b General Maintenance Update

a. Streetlightingupdate

The Clerk confirmed that the £25,000 UKSPF funding for the upgrading of the parish's streetlights to LEDs has been deposited in the parish council's bank account and the legal agreement has been signed. Work has in fact already started, with the installation of new steel poles in a few locations across the village. The work on the lamps will be done by EON and there is likely to be a 3-month time period within which EON and Balfour Beatty will coordinate on the upgrade.

The Clerk provided the following update:

b. Highways

- The Clerk confirmed that all recently reported potholes have been repaired by WCC.
- ii) The Clerk confirmed that she has followed up with the enforcement officer at SDC regarding the groundworks and subsequent flooding at Pelham Lane. This has been forwarded to the flooding team at WCC for review. The councillors also considered that we should look into setting up a flooding team action group made up of local volunteers.
- iii) The Clerk confirmed that she has contacted WCC re the ongoing flooding issues and drainage problems in the village and hopes to set up a meeting soon.
- iv) The Clerk suggested looking into a joined-up approach with any wildlife road signage installation while WCC are in the village considering traffic calming options at the East Entrance to GAP.

ACTION: Clerk to keep on top of these highway issues and report back at the next meeting. The Clerk also agreed to look into setting up a volunteer group to help with the drains and flood management.

c. Community Speed Watch / Road Safety update

Cllr Millard confirmed that the team have been able to get out and about more with the improving weather and have set up a rota for the volunteers for the coming months. Cllr Millard noted than roughly one in five drivers was exceeding the 30mph speed limit by more than 5mph and the maximum speed recorded was 53mph.

We are hoping that the two new volunteers who have come forward will be able to get trained up soon so that there is a larger pool of volunteers to work with. The Clerk said she would follow up with the police training team.

The Clerk confirmed as follows:

5c. Recreation Ground and Defibrilator

- a. Deep cleaning of the recreation ground took place on 21st March.
- b. New matting has been installed under the double swings and the nest swing seat.
- c. A new rainbow picnic table has been installed and the old one disposed of (we will in fact receive a small refund on the ground plates as they come in a pack of four but four were ordered).
- d. The damaged planks on the wobbly bridge on the multiplay set in the toddler area have been replaced although the Clerk commented that she has received a report today of further damage to another plank on the wobbly bridge.
- e. Following the last PC meeting, the Clerk has agreed with Limebridge the requested uplift in their mowing charge of 6% to offset inflationary price rises of 10%. Limebridge

have 'noted our comments' - that in response they would carry out the hand mowing required around the trees in the Coronation Copse without seeking an increase in the contract rate.

MAIN BUSINESS

For information:

6a. AGAR documentation

All documentation and accounts information for auditing of GAPC's Annual Governance Accountability Return 2022-23 (AGAR) were provided to the internal auditor, Mrs Eleanor Choudry on 10 May 2023. This was discussed and reviewed during the Annual Meeting on 18th May.

6b. Housing Needs Survey

The councillors considered the HNS during an informal catch up between meetings. The councillors would like to minute their approval of the report. The Clerk has contacted Sarah Brooke-Taylor, Rural Housing Enabler at WRCC to confirm their approval and has invited Sarah to the next PC meeting in July to discuss next steps.

6c. Local Elections on 4th May update

The Clerk reminded councillors to submit their form detailing expenses (even if nil spend) for the Election by June 8th to David Dalby, Returns and Elections Officer at SDC.

UKSPF funding

As noted above the UKSPF funding of £25,000 has been deposited in GAPC's bank account. We have finally had the updated quote from WCC and the revised figure is 6d. Streetlighting and approximately £1,500 extra. Approval received in writing from councillors to pay this additional amount from the earmarked reserves in the Unity Bank Reserves account. The Clerk has submitted the order with WCC which has been confirmed.

The Clerk reminded residents to water their trees during hot spells. She will be preparing an information sheet for circulation soon regarding how best to look after the trees over the 6e. Coronation Copse summer. A pile of wood chippings has been delivered to the park (courtesy of a friendly local tree surgeon) and these can be used as mulch to prevent weeds and retain water.

6f. Cyber insurance

The councillors have agreed in writing that the Clerk should organise Cyber Insurance cover with BHIB, which will be a shared policy with Alcester Town Council. The cost of GAPC's half will be £150.

6g. Clerk's salary increase

The Chairman confirmed that the Clerk has received a letter from him confirming a salary increase with effect from 1 April 2023, following the Clerk's appraisal in September 2022, and following consultation with WALC and agreement between the councillors.

FOR DECISION/APPROVAL/ACTION:

6h. Speeding issues along Henley Road

As already discussed above, the Clerk requires the councillors to consider and approve any financial contribution from GAPC towards the estimated cost of approximately £15,000- £20,000 (in context of further contributions from IVG and Cllr Justin Kerridge's Highways Fund). After discussion, the councillors agreed to allocate the unspent uncontested elections budget of £3,000 towards the cost of the traffic calming measures at the East Entrance to GAP on Henley Road.

The Clerk provided an update on the fly tipping issues at The Ford off Henley Road -Aston Cantlow PC has proposed installing a CCTV camera at the entrance to the lane. Estimated

6i. Fly tipping update cost of £50-£200. The Clerk was seeking approval from councillors to contribute half of the cost of the CCTV camera. After lengthy discussion, the councillors agreed in principle to the use of CCTV cameras but are conscious of the data collection and usage issues. It was suggested that it might be worth GAPC liaising with SDC to obtain their views on the use of CCTV cameras to help prevent fly tipping.

> Earlier this evening at the Annual Meeting, the councillors had considered and approved two new policy documents for inclusion with the council's policy documentation:

6i. New draft Council **Policies**

- a. Lone Working Policy
- b. Health & Safety Policy

The Clerk confirmed as follows:

6k. Cost of living crisis update

- The after school childcare provision run by Activity B's is no longer operating under GAPC's Cost of Living fund as there was insufficient take-up. The Clerk asked the councillors for approval to split the remaining fund between Chatty Café and huff space. The councillors agreed.
- Chatty Café the Clerk had had a suggestion from one of the volunteers who is also a VASA driver: we could get Chatty Café leaflets made up and the VASA drivers could keep them in their cars for their passengers, who are the very residents we are trying to appeal to. We could also do a flyer drop for each dwelling with the next newsletter. The cost of printing 500 A5 flyers @£50 including delivery. The councillors approved the suggestion and the cost.
- iii. The Clerk provided an update on huff space
 - a. At the last session on the first Saturday in May 2023, we were at full capacity with 20 young people
 - More DBS volunteers are required and the Clerk is actively encouraging volunteers to come forward who will be DBS checked by GAPC.
 - c. The Clerk required approval to purchase various bits and pieces from the fund for huff space sessions eg rounders set/bingo set etc. The councillors approved the request.

FOR DISCUSSION:

61. CPBT update

The Clerk has spoken with the original supervisor of the team (who decided not to retire to Cornwall and is back with the Leamington Team). They are happy to carry on with maintenance at the Church but are keen to undertake other projects in the parish especially anything requiring construction. The Clerk said she would revert after consultation with the councillors. Ideas such as painting the white village entry gates, and clearing the footpaths were suggested. And also asking for residents to suggest any ideas.

The Clerk has also been contacted by School seeking help with mowing. The councillors discussed whether it would be worth trying to get some local volunteers together to see if they could help with mowing, ie the cricket club. The Clerk said she would see would what she could arrange.

The Clerk would like to arrange a litter picking event in early October – date to be confirmed.

6m. Litter picking event

PLANNING

7. Planning applications

Following the last meeting, GAPC submitted a response of 'no objection' to application 23/00689/FUL 31 School Road. GAPC also submitted a response of 'no objection' to treeworks at Parkfield House - 23/00723/TREE.

In between meetings, GAPC has submitted a response of 'No Representation' to application 23/00703/FUL, The Coppice. In response to a resident's enquiry on what this means, the Chairman explained that there are conflicting policy elements. The green belt issue has been taken into account by the application – the volume or massing element is less than the existing building. However, with regard to the proximity of listed buildings, only one has been considered – West Lodge. There are others which are closer, including Fletcher Cottage, Kingsway and Honeysuckle which are even closer. There is therefore an inaccuracy in the submission (ie the report by the applicant architect). The outstanding question is whether the impact of the new building on the listed properties be better or worse than the existing property and this analysis and response is beyond the experience of the parish council. The Chairman pointed out that it was open to other residents to submit their own individual responses if they wish.

The other councillors agreed: Cllr Francis noted that there wasn't a majority position for the parish council on this application and Cllr Millard noted that the issue was beyond the councillors' remit – the planning officer has the relevant experience to deal with this.

After the meeting, the Clerk emailed the planning officer regarding the omission of the additional listed buildings nearby and highlighting the inaccuracy in the architect's report.

With regard to 23/01114/LDE Kingsway, the Chairman noted this was an application for permitted development. The Chairman does not have an issue with it, other than that it is retrospective. However, if the proprietor had received informal advice on the issue from the district council then he had some sympathy for them. This has no doubt come about due to the sale of the property. The councillors considered there was no impact on the immediate neighbours and that a submission of 'no objection' should be submitted.

The following are the planning applications recently submitted in the parish of Great Alne and their current status.

Any yellow highlighted applications are still to be determined, with submissions to SDC yet to be completed.

At this meeting, GAPC is required to consider and make a decision on the submission for those applications highlighted below.

Status

Address

Received

Reference

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23/01114/LDE	21/4/2023	Pending Considerat ion	Kingsway Park Lane Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6HS
23/00703/FUL	8/3/2023	Pending Considerat ion	The Coppice Park Lane Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6HS
23/00689/FUL	7/3/2023	Permission with	31 School Road Great Alne Alcester B49 6HQ

		conditions	
23/00723/TREE	6/3/2023	Tree Works Approved	Parkfield House Park Lane Great Alne Alcester B49 6HS
23/00403/FUL	13/2/2023	Permission with conditions	Three Mill Cottage Henley Road Great Alne Alcester B49 6HX
23/00115/FUL	16/1/2023	Permission with conditions	Clyne House Park Lane Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6HS
23/00098/TREE	12/1/2023	Tree Works Approved	Clyne House Park Lane Great Alne Alcester B49 6HS
22/03629/COUQ	9/12/2022	Change of Use PA grant Class J, K and M	Barn School Road Great Alne
22/03472/LBC	25/11/2022	Listed building consent approved	The Lodge Henley Road Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6HR
22/03056/TREE	13/10/2022	Tree works approved	Coffee Pot Wood Henley Road Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6HR
22/03007/TREE	10/10/2022	Tree works approved	Greystone Cottage Henley Road Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6HR
22/02809/LDP	22/9/2022	Application Withdrawn	Woodside Cottage Spernal Lane Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6HZ
22/02786/FUL	20/9/2022	Permission with conditions	Glebe Farm Kinwarton Alcester B49 6HB
22/02626/FUL	1/9/2022	Permission with conditions	Crocketts Farm Alne Hills Great Alne Alcester B49 6JS

22/02485/AMD	11/8/2022	Approval of Non Material Amendmen t	Maudslay Park Great Alne
22/02305/FUL	1/8/2022	Application withdrawn	31 School Road Great Alne Warwickshire B49 6HQ
22/01894/FUL	24/6/2022	Permission with conditions	Crocketts Farm Alne Hills Great Alne Alcester B49 6JS
22/01855/LBC	22/6/2022	Listed Building Consent Approved	The Lodge Henley Road Great Alne Alcester B49 6HR
22/01577/TREE	19/5/2022	Tree Works Approved	Long House Park Lane Great Alne Alcester B49 6HS

ACCOUNTS

The Clerk provided an update on progress against budget for the new financial year. There is nothing obvious to consider at the moment.

8.Accounts

8a Progress against budget update

8b. Payments for approval

Accounts information: the following is a list of payments set up and awaiting secondary authorisation for payment:

13.4.23	Unity ref 102931687	M&P Building Services Ltd	332.40
14.4.23	Unity ref 923249083	BHIB Councils Insurance	792.75
29.4.23	Unity ref 797488681	Limebridge Rural Services Ltd	422.40
6.5.23	Unity Stmt **	npower Business Solutions (IN07062501)	135.71
15.5.23	Unity ref 407736138	Clerk's expenses for April 2023	55.82
15.5.23	Unity ref 407736138	Clerk's wages for April 2023	729.45

The following is a list of invoices and payments presented for authorisation and paid since the last PC meeting on 21st March 2023 (those in blue are yet to be paid)

8c.	Paym	ents	made
bet	ween	meet	ings

22.3.23	Unity ref ***	M&P Building Services Ltd - park work	1971.60
1.4.23	2023145 (Unity ref 709674352)	SDC Annual domain cost, website and CMS licence-INV 2019933	437.77
3.4.23	Unity ref 375258456	Marmax recycled Products (picnic bench, fixings and shipping) Order # 4851	660.00
5.4.23	Unity stmt 006	npower Business Solutions (IN06693768) Total £154.98 minus £20.16 credit from double payment collected in March 2023.	134.82
6.4.23	Unity ref 190014050	SDC Inv 10348070 - DBS registration fee for DF and KB	38.40
6.4.23	Unity ref 737970892	Kompan - spare parts for the park - planks for wobbly bridge , fixings and bolt caps	173.52
7.4.23	Unity ref 249848253	Activity B's after school childcare - GAPC Cost of Living support for residents - from fund award of £1000 from WCC	300.00
11.4.23	Unity ref 35463830	Mother Huff Cap - invoice for Chatty Café and huff space - GAPC Cost of living support for residents - from fund award of £1000 from WCC	180.00
11.4.23	Unity ref 15772511	WALC/NALC Annual subscription fees Inv-220 (VAT ONLY RECOVERABLE ON THE WALC PART, NOT THE NALC PART)	306.00
11.4.23	Unity ref 216885032	HMRC payment. NICS - E'ers=147.02 E'ees=£93.04, KB Inc tax = £155.00. Total for tax period 1 of 2023-24 =	395.06

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11.4.23	Unity ref 688289978	Clerk's expenses for March 2023	279.65
11.4.23	Unity ref 688289978	Clerk's wages for March 2023 incl holiday pay for Q4	1575.32
13.4.23	Unity ref 102931687	M&P Building Services Ltd	332.40
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Bank Account Balances @ 15 May 2023: £73,560.92

- Unity Trust Current Account T1 ending 0348: £63,622.54
- Unity Trust Instant Access Account (reserves) ending 0351: £9,938.38

Money in:

- £25,000 UKSPF deposited from SDC into Unity Account ending 0348 on 31 March 2023.
- £13,750 first tranche of the precept for 2023/23 received from SDC on 26 April 2023

Transfers:

- £25,000 UKSPF finds transferred from account 0348 to 0351 on 15.5.23
- £13,750 first tranche of precept transferred from account 0348 to 0351 on 15.5.23

The Clerk confirmed the following correspondence had been received:

- a) Correspondence re AGAR, end of year accounts and internal audit.
- b) Emails re park maintenance and works.
- c) Correspondence re speeding along Henley Road and possible solutions.
- d) Correspondence regarding fly tipping off Henley Road.
- e) Correspondence re huff space, Chatty Café and Activity B's after school chidcare.
- f) Correspondence regarding additional trees requested to be planted in the copse and woodchippings.
- g) Correspondence re Climate Action Meeting and CSWG
- h) Correspondence re various planning applications.

9. Correspondence since the last PC Meeting

	The Meeting ended at 9.45pm.
	Councillors are reminded of their duty to consider all aspects of equal opportunities, crime prevention, unlawful discrimination, biodiversity of the natural habitat, and other best practice when making decisions at the meeting.

meeting	The Councillors agreed that the September and November meetings shall be held on Tues 26th September and Tues 21 November.
10. Date of the next	Due to the election of Cllr Thom Holmes as our new District Councillor, it was agreed that we would change the meeting dates of the September and November meetings, as these dates are on the same night as the Aston Cantlow PC meetings, of which Cllr Holmes is a member.
	Date of next meeting – Thursday 6 th July 2023 at 7pm (Function Room, Great Alne Park).
	k) Alcester SNT Team: weekly police report.
	i) Discussion re various training courses and seminars.j) Correspondence arranging various meetings.