Associated Papers for the meeting on 25th July 2022

Agenda item 2 Councillor Dispensation.

If there is an item for which you have an interest you will be unable to take part in discussion or vote in a resolution. If you wish to have your request for dispensation considered please write to the Clerk ahead of the meeting stating the reasons why you should be given dispensation.

Agenda item 5 Routine Correspondence.

If you wish to discuss an email forwarded that does not appear on the agenda please raise at this point.

There have been a variety of correspondence including:

Suffolk County Council notification that Suffolk, Essex and Norfolk County Councils object to the plans for pylons to be erected across the countryside from Tilbury to Norwich a report from Cllr Stacey regarding the Jubilee

SCC update on Highways work in the village – more detail below in agenda item 10 Community Action Suffolk newsletter including review of current funding offers Member of the public enquiry for information to help with his research into his family tree BDC Parking Review request to complete questionnaire

Various correspondence relating to insurance for next year, details below in Agenda item 13 Newsletter from the AONB

Newsletter from Public Sector today

Cambridge Maths School consultation re a school in Cambridge

Newton Parish Clerk re Permissory Footpath between the two parishes

Agenda Item 6. Clerk's Report

Actions from previous meeting

Minute	Action	Who	Complete
22/0513	Pay suppliers	Clerk/TH	✓
22/0514	Planning comments to BDC	Clerk/AH	✓
22/0515	Walk footpaths around allotment to condition of growth and action required	HW	
220517	Quiet lane signs liaise with SCC re acquisition when available	ST/AH	✓
22/0512	Clarify budget break down BDC payment and also clerk payment, salary, expenses. The admin budget appeared high.	Clerk	√
22/0508	Clerk to verify with Cllr White his willingness to undertake preview of planning applications to assist Cllr Hill. Cllr White has resigned.	Clerk	√

Agenda Item 7 Finance Report

The clerk was asked to clarify the following:

BDC payment received in April 2022 consisted of Precept £5000 and CIL £5896.29

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Staff costs = Clerk's salary of £11.53 per hour x 5.5 hours x 52 weeks + £3 x 52 weeks Working from home allowance = £156

Admin budget includes clerk travel expenses of 7 journeys of 42 miles x 45 pence per mile = £132.30, over the year which could be added to staffing costs plus stationery costs of £167.70

We acknowledge as the members of:		2			
Assir	ngton F	Parish C	ouncil	TY	
our responsibility for ensuring that there is a set the preparation of the Accounting Statements espect to the Accounting Statements for the	. We co	onfirm, to	the be	est of our knowledge and belief, with	
	Ag Yes	reed No*	'Yes' me	ans that this authority:	
 We have put in place arrangements for effective financial management during the year, and for the preparation of the accounting statements. 	V		prepare	d its accounting statements in accordance Accounts and Audit Regulations.	
We maintained an adequate system of internal control including measures designed to prevent and detect fraud and corruption and reviewed its effectiveness.	~		made pr for safeg its charg	oper arrangements and accepted responsibility quarding the public money and resources in e.	
3. We took all reasonable steps to assure ourselves that there are no matters of actual or potential non-compliance with laws, regulations and Proper Practices that could have a significant financial effect on the ability of this authority to conduct its business or manage its finances.	V		has only done what it has the legal power to do and has compiled with Proper Practices in doing so.		
4. We provided proper opportunity during the year for the exercise of electors' rights in accordance with the requirements of the Accounts and Audit Regulations.	~		during the year gave all persons interested the opportunity to inspect and ask questions about this authority's accounts.		
5. We carried out an assessment of the risks facing this authority and took appropriate steps to manage those risks, including the introduction of internal controls and/or external insurance cover where required.	~		considered and documented the financial and other risks it faces and dealt with them properly.		
We maintained throughout the year an adequate and effective system of internal audit of the accounting records and control systems.	~		arranged for a competent person, independent of the financial controls and procedures, to give an objective view on whether internal controls meet the needs of this smaller authority.		
We took appropriate action on all matters raised in reports from internal and external audit.	~		responded to matters brought to its attention by internal and external audit.		
8. We considered whether any litigation, liabilities or commitments, events or transactions, cocurring either during or after the year-end, have a financial impact on this authority and, where appropriate, have included them in the accounting statements.	V		disclosed everything it should have about its business activity during the year including events taking place after the year end if relevant.		
 (For local councils only) Trust funds including charitable. In our capacity as the sole managing trustee we discharged our accountability responsibilities for the fund(s)/assets, including financial reporting and, if required, independent examination or audit. 	Yes	No	N/A	has met all of its responsibilities where, as a body corporate, it is a sole managing trustee of a local trust or trusts.	
Please provide explanations to the external auditor authority will address the weaknesses identified. The					
This Annual Governance Statement was approved a meeting of the authority on:	ta	Signed to		Chairman and Clerk of the meeting where ven:	
and recorded as minute reference:		Chairma	n		
		Clerk			
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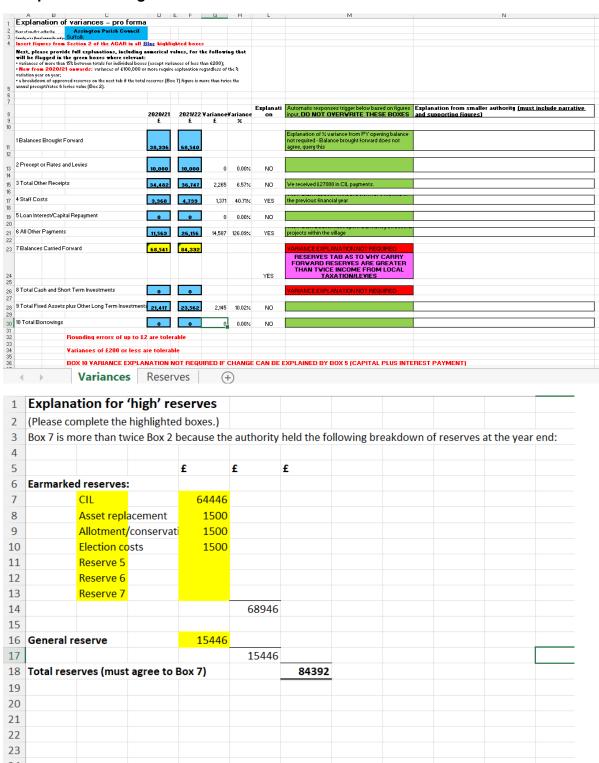
	A	ssington Par	ish Council
	Year e 31 March	nding 31 March	Notes and guidance Please round all figures to nearest £1. Do not leave any
	2021 £	2022 £	boxes blank and report £0 or Nil balances. All figures must agree to underlying financial records.
Balances brought forward	38,996	68,54	Total balances and reserves at the beginning of the year as recorded in the financial records. Value must agree to Box 7 of previous year.
2. (+) Precept or Rates and Levies	10,000	10,00	Total amount of precept (or for IDBs rates and levies) received or receivable in the year. Exclude any grants received.
3. (+) Total other receipts	34,482	36,74	Total income or receipts as recorded in the cashbook less the precept or rates/levies received (line 2). Include any grants received.
4. (-) Staff costs	3,368	4,73	Total expenditure or payments made to and on behalf of all employees. Include gross salaries and wages, employers NI contributions, employers pension contributions, gratuities and severance payments.
5. (-) Loan interest/capital repayments	0		Total expenditure or payments of capital and interest made during the year on the authority's borrowings (if any).
6. (-) All other payments	11,569	26,1	Total expenditure or payments as recorded in the cash- book less staff costs (line 4) and loan interest/capital repayments (line 5).
7. (=) Balances carried forward	68,540	84,39	Total balances and reserves at the end of the year. Must equal (1+2+3) - (4+5+6).
8. Total value of cash and short term investments	68,540	84,39	The sum of all current and deposit bank accounts, cash holdlings and short term investments held as at 31 March – To agree with bank reconciliation.
Total fixed assets plus long term investments and assets	21,417	23,56	The value of all the property the authority owns – it is made up of all its fixed assets and long term investments as at 31 March.
10. Total borrowings	0		The outstanding capital balance as at 31 March of all loans from third parties (including PWLB).
11. (For Local Councils Only) Disclosure note re Trust fun	Yes	No N/A	The Council, as a body corporate, acts as sole trustee for and is responsible for managing Trust funds or assets.
(including charitable)		V	N.B. The figures in the accounting statements above do not include any Trust transactions.
certify that for the year ended statements in this Annual Gov teturn have been prepared or ir income and expenditure ba	vernance and Acco n either a receipts a	untability a nd payments	confirm that these Accounting Statements were approved by this authority on this date:
Sovernance and Accountabili Practitioners' Guide to Proper the financial position of this au	ty for Smaller Author Practices and pre-	orities – a	as recorded in minute reference:
igned by Responsible Finan resented to the authority for	cial Officer before I	being	
			Signed by Chairman of the meeting where the Accounting Statements were approved

c. Explanation of significant variances

Variances

Reserves

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D approve bank reconciliation and receipts and payments account for year ending 31st March 2022

ASSINGTON PARISH COUNCIL

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Bank Reconciliation for Financial year ending 31st March 2022

Balances per Bank Statements as at

Barclays Community	£100.00	
Barclays Premium Account	£84,291.56	
		£84,391.56
Add any Unbanked Cash as at 31		£0.00
Less Unpresented Cheques as at 31		£0.00
Total		£0.00
	Total Cash	£84,391.56
CASH BOOK		
Opening Balance		£68,540.49
Add Receipts in the year		£46,746.71
	Sub Total	£115,287.20
Less Payments in the year		£30,895.64
	Total Cash	£84,391.56

Christine Hargan Date 6 April 2022

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Bank Reconciliation to Date				
	2020	/21	2021-2	22
	Budget	To year end	Budget	YTD
Income				
Balance Brought Forward from year end accounts		38,996.28		68,540.49
Grants	331.40	5,395.40	331.40	1,238.40
Bank Interest	10.00	13.51	10.00	8.44
Other = Donations, rebanked cheques Judicial review a	360.00	430.84	360.00	4,095.21
CIL	0.00	27,216.03	0.00	27,719.33
Precept		10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00
VAT Repayment	0.00	1,426.41	0.00	3,685.33
Total Income	£701.40	£83,478.47	£10,701.40	£115,287.20
Expenditure	Figures exclude \	AT where paid as it is	s reclaimed, and is show	n as VAT paid
Staff Costs, salaries, HMRC, Payroll, expenses	2,900.00	3,368.63	2,900.00	4,739.32
Admin	1,550.00	441.44	1,550.00	1,207.61
Subscriptions				193.29
Donations	600.00	700.00	600.00	950.00
Street Lighting	375.00	0.00	375.00	844.83
CIL	0.00	423.00	0.00	10,864.70
Insurance	350.00	329.28	350.00	426.24
Audit	0.00	0.00	0.00	440.00
Grass Cutting (P3 Scheme)	360.00	288.00	360.00	360.00
Licensed Footpaths	175.00	108.00	175.00	135.00
Contingency	500.00	171.00	500.00	0.00
Maintenance	630.00	563.48	630.00	435.20
Judicial Review				5,950.00
Allotments / Conservation	655.00	169.35	655.00	236.63
Neighbourhood Plan	1,500.00	6,266.48	1,500.00	1,355.00
Unbanked cheques from previous year		1,118.45		
VAT Paid	0.00	990.87	0.00	2,757.82
Total Expenditure	£9,595.00	£14,937.98	£9,595.00	£30,895.64
Totals Income - Expenditure		£68,540.49		£84,391.56
Barclays Community Account at	31 March 2021	£100.00	31 March 2022	£100.00
Barclays Business Premium at	31 March 2021	£68,440.49	31 March 2022	£84,391.56

e. Payments to be made

£626.56 Clerk salary and Working From Home Allowance 52 hours = average of 5.8 hours per week

£506.62 Babergh District Council, Dog and litter bin emptying

£35 ICO Data Protection registration paid by Standing Order at the end of July

£26.54 WAVE water for allotments

£18.90 Andrew Hill expenses

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f. CIL expenditure End of year 2021/22

Balance at start of year £24,295.21

Income for CIL £27,216.03

Expenditure £ 423.00

Total CIL at 31 March 2022 £51,088.24

Income and expenditure May – July 2022

		Minute no			
Date	Ref:		Details	Expenditure	Income
25/5/22		22/0512	Babergh District Council	£5.00	
25/5/22		22/0512	Suffolk County Council	£22,363.73	
25/5/22		22/0512	Clerk Salary	£612.03	
25/5/22		22/0512	Assington Pcc	£500.00	
25/5/22		22/0512	Assington Association	£500.00	
25/5/22		22/0512	SALC	£197.90	
25/5/22		22/0512	Bronwen Stacey	£195.74	
6/6/22			Interest		£6.67
31/5/22			Susan Cubbin Band for barn dance	£200.00	
15/6/22			Allotment rental		£180.00
08/06/2022			Jubilee Committee income from Barn Dance		£215.00
				£0.00	£0.00
			Sub totals	£24,574.40	£95,689.52
			Less expenditure		£24,574.40
			Total		£71,115.12

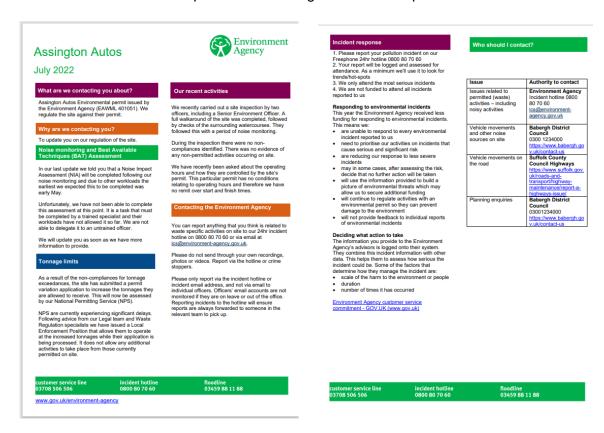
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Bank Reconciliation to Date				
	2021	/22	2022-	23
	Budget	To year end	Budget	YTD
Income				
Balance Brought Forward from year end accounts		68,540.49		84,391.56
Grants	331.40	1,238.40	331.40	0.00
Bank Interest	10.00	8.44	10.00	6.67
Other = Donations, rebanked cheques Jubilee and Allot	360.00	4,095.21	360.00	395.00
CIL	0.00	27,719.33	0.00	5,896.29
Precept	10,000.00	10,000.00	10,000.00	5,000.00
VAT Repayment	0.00	3,685.33	500.00	0.00
Total Income	£10,701.40	£115,287.20	£11,201.40	£95,689.52
Expenditure	Figures exclude \	AT where paid as it is	s reclaimed, and is show	n as VAT paid
Staff Costs, salaries, HMRC, Payroll, expenses	2,900.00	4,739.32	3,575.00	612.03
Admin	1,550.00	1,207.61	300.00	0.00
Subscriptions		193.29		202.90
Donations	600.00	950.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
Street Lighting	375.00	844.83	500.00	0.00
CIL	0.00	10,864.70	0.00	22,363.73
Insurance	350.00	426.24	450.00	0.00
Audit	0.00	440.00	350.00	0.00
Grass Cutting (P3 Scheme)	360.00	360.00	330.00	0.00
Licensed Footpaths	175.00	135.00	150.00	0.00
Contingency	500.00	0.00	500.00	0.00
Maintenance	630.00	435.20	630.00	0.00
Jubilee Celebrations		5,950.00	0.00	0.00
Allotments / Conservation	655.00	236.63	655.00	0.00
Neighbourhood Plan	1,500.00	1,355.00	0.00	0.00
Unbanked cheques from previous year				
VAT Paid	0.00	2,757.82	500.00	0.00
Total Expenditure	£9,595.00	£30,895.64	£8,940.00	£24,178.66
Totals Income - Expenditure		£15,851.07		£71,510.86
Barclays Community Account at	18 May 2022	£100.00	31 March 2022	£100.00
Barclays Business Premium at	18 May 2022	£84,391.56	31 March 2022	£71,115.12
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Bank Balance at 18 July 2022 **COMMUNITY** £100.00 \rightleftharpoons \Rightarrow 000 20 - 83 - 50 10123706 Available balance (?) Single Barclays Bank UK PLC payment (£100.00 last night's balance) ? > Show recent transactions **Business Premium ME** £71,015.12 000 20 - 83 - 50 50123749 Available balance (?) Single Transfer More Barclays Bank UK PLC (£71,015.12 last night's balance) ? > Show recent transactions

Update on Assington Autos

AA have applied for an increased tonnage limit for their licence, to enable them to continue with the current level of operation. They have been in breach of their licence limit for the last three years. The Environment Agency have a large backlog for licence applications and so have, without any consultation (it appears) just issued a temporary licence so that AA can continue as-is. Should the parish council lodge a formal complaint with the EA and our MP?



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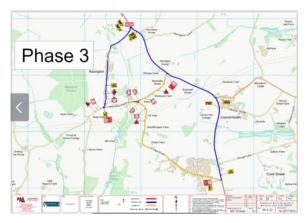
	DC/21/02579	Assington Autos, Cotton Wood, Barracks Road,		Awaiting decision
	DC/21/06912	Land At Assington Fruit Farm The Street Assington Suffolk CO10 5LW. Planning Application - Continued use of agricultural land to Use Class F1(a) (Learning and Non-Residential	Object	Granted
	DC/22/00026	Suffolk CO10 5LS. Application for Listed Building Consent - Erection of single storey side/rear extension (following demolition of conservatory), internal and external works as per schedule of works. Shamrock Farm. Householder Application -	Support	Granted
06/01/22	DC/22/00027	Shamrock Farm Marshalls Green Assington Suffolk CO10 5LS. Application for Listed Building Consent - Erection of single storey side/rear extension (following demolition of conservatory), internal and external works as per schedule of	Support	Granted
17/01/22	DC/22/00196	Three Ways Barracks Road Assington Suffolk CO10 5LP. Application. Householder Application - Erection of a two storey front extension; erection of first floor extension over existing bathroom and a cartlodge.	Support	Granted
28/01/22	DC/22/00461	Land At Orchard Road Assington Suffolk Full Planning Application - Erection of 1No single storey dwelling, detached garage and new vehicular access.	Object	Awaiting decision
28/01/22	DC/22/00617	Brownsmiths Dorking Tye Assington Suffolk CO8 5JY, Householder Application - Erection of a single storey/one and a half storey extension to the existing dwelling to form garage and workshop with a one bedroom annex above the garage area (following demolition of existing outbuilding)	Support	Granted
26/03/22	DC/22/01613	Land South Of 'The Nook' The Street Assington	Support	Granted
9-Mar-22	DC/22/01624	Full Planning Application - Erection of 1No two	Support	Granted
	DC/22/01998	Dorking Tye Farmhouse Discharge of Conditions Application for DC/21/04341- Condition 3 (Wrought Iron Porch Frame), Condition 4 (Porch Eaves), Condition 7 (Fenestration), Condition 8 (Rooflights) and Condition 9 (Insulation Details in Studio/Utility Room)		Granted
	DC/22/02034	Dorking Tye House Dorking Tye Assington		Granted

Agenda Item 10 Highways update

Works are scheduled for the coming fortnight. Maps of the diversion routes are screen printed below and show in detail where the road will be closed







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Agenda Item 11 Quiet Lanes

Cllr Hill has collected the signs from Ipswich and erected them on Assington Lane and Upper Road. The signs to Wormingford Road will be erected soon. Barracks Lane, Marshalls Green and High Road will have to wait for the scheduled road safety works to be completed.

Agenda Item 12 Queen's Platinum Jubilee Celebrations

Barn Dance

Previous expenses paid by you in relation to the Jubilee = £195.74

+ £200 (Barn Dance band)

Total outlay: £395.74

After receipt of this payment from me of £215...... minus £215 Leaves a total outlay for the Assington Jubilee Celebrations=£180.74

APC received a grant of £250 from Lee Parker's fund towards our celebrations, so I feel happy that I have managed to work well within the scope of that budgeted amount.

David and Karen Wiles organised the children's' Tea party, and in addition to huge amounts of food for this which parents donated, each child was given a "goody bag"

which contained (among other things) a little teddy, which were donated by a local resident and a Jubilee medal, which were paid for via sponsorship by a company/ employer of another resident;

The Strawberries were provided and paid for by another resident.

Agenda item 13 Consider alternative **insurance provision** from 1 October 2022 Insurance quotations enquiries made to a number of providers the most competitive being a new product from Zurich, Parish Protect for smaller Parish Councils, cover premium £265 which provides £1million for public liability, £1million for employers liability and in addition legal expenses cover and cover for assets with a £500 excess.

Zurich Parish Protect £426 which is the policy that we currently have in place. The policy insures for £5 million for public and £5 million Employers liability, assets, playing fields and also includes buildings

Gallagher £600 £5 million Public and £5 million Employers liability Other policies are double the price because they include cover for buildings and playing fields. Enquires also from Community Action Suffolk, Forum Insurance, BHIB, James Hallam and also Allied Westminster none could come even close to Zurich on either Policy

End of report