



ASPLEY HEATH PARISH COUNCIL

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To: All Councillors

9th July 2026

The Next Meeting of the Aspley Heath Parish Council will take place on Wednesday 15th July 2026 at the **Woburn Sands Town Council Offices, to the side of the Ellen Pettit Memorial Hall, High Street, Woburn Sands at 8pm**

Signed:

2961 To Receive Apologies for Absence

2962 To Note Declarations of Interest relating to Items on the Agenda

2963 To Agree the Minutes of the Previous Meeting

2964 Open Forum – Members of the Public are Invited to Speak to the Parish Council

Actions carried forward:

2814 Anti-social behaviour at the Royal Oak Pub. PCllr Wilson had spoken to CBC Licencing, Beds Police and another Licencing Officer to gain more useful information. Residents were asked to tell the Police of any Anti-Social Behaviour and ask that this be logged with the Neighbourhood Team. As the Police had to meet targets, they would need to address the complaints. PCllr Wilson had designed an Anti-Social Behaviour Incident Report which could be filled in by residents and sent to the Police. It was asked that a copy be sent to the Parish Council as well so that the Clerk could keep a record and then chase up the relevant authorities.

Action: PCllrs

2965 Central Bedfordshire Councillor Report

2966 Chairman's Report

Actions carried forward:

2938 An email had been sent to the Council from a group wanting to decorate the Church with knitted poppy displays. Reverend Diana Young had agreed to the displays but asked they be removed when they looked dirty. Residents would be able to join the group. Information would be added to the website and the noticeboard.

Action: SS/DB

2952 The Chair was concerned that crimes were not being reported in the monthly Crime Stats. Residents had provided details of crimes, including crime reference numbers and these had been cross checked however, the data did not include them. It was asked that the Local Police Officer be contacted and asked to follow up on this. It was also suggested that the Police and Crime Commissioner be advised of the problems.

Action: DB

2967 Roads and Footpaths

Actions carried forward:

2370b To Discuss New Signage for Sandy Lane to Restrict Unnecessary Access

The Clerk had asked for the sign to be moved. Zaria Bettles had stated there was little money to remove or replace the sign as broken signs were a priority. She would make a site visit and let the Council know if anything would be done. Nothing had been heard from CBC regarding this since an email sent in early May.

Action: CBC

2859 The black paint was coming off of the road where it had been painted over the yellow (unofficial) lines close to Narrow Path and 25 Church Road. CBC would either need to re-paint them or burn off the yellow lines. This had been reported numerous times on FixMyStreet but nothing had been done. CBCllr Baker was to be emailed to chase up CBC Highways.

Action: CBC/DB

2891 Residents complained of ongoing issues on BOAT 33 including fly tipping, increased parking at the top of Church Road including overnight campers and noise from 4x4s accessing the BOAT and damaging the surface. CBC were monitoring the situation. PCllr Smith had reported new instances of fly tipping to Zaria Bettles at CBC and also to John Baker and on FixMyStreet. There were also concerns over the erosion of trees in the car park area which was a Bedford Estate issue. PCllr Harris would email Dominic Smith. Residents were encouraged to contact CBC with any complaints.

Action: CBC/GH/SS

2687 CBC had rejected the Parish Council's request for a 20mph Speed Limit on Church Road. Residents were overwhelmingly in support of reducing the speed limit. The Parish Council would keep pushing for speed restrictions. PCllr Wilson had prepared a letter to send to CBC which would be forwarded to Members to agree before being finalised.

Action: JW/PCllrs

2953 The spring on the gate into the Sandpit was broken. PCllr Jones would research prices for a replacement.

Action: LJ

2968 Lighting

2969 Installation of CCTV

Actions carried forward:

2877 CCTV PCllr McKay had returned to the original supplier and was hoping to finalise the maintenance costs in the next few days. It was hoped that the CCTV would identify where the Anti-Social Behaviour was coming from.

Action: Contractor/AM

2970 Planning

Actions carried forward:

2911 Land between Brogborough, Lidlington and Marston Moretaine – Outline planning application for 5000 homes. The Outline Planning Application had been approved by CBC. The Clerk had requested the full decision notice and had contacted the relevant Planning Officer at CBC for this. The publication of the full notice was still being awaited.

Action: CBC

2911a Land adjacent to 10 Silverbirches – variation of plans

The Parish Council had responded to this first Variation of Condition (VOC). The plans for the garage did not meet the necessary width identified by CBC for a double garage. The Parish Council was concerned that CBC did not make decisions in line with their own policies. PCllr McKay would raise this with CBCllr Baker.

Action: AM

2942 Steetley Quarry, Aspley Woods – temporary car parking for 3 years (27/5)

The Parish Council were supportive of the application to offer free parking but would only support this if it was made permanent. A caveat would also be added that support was conditional upon toilets being added in the woods. There was concern that bike users had to cross Woburn Road which had a speed limit of 40mph. It was hoped that the speed limit would be lowered. A response had been drafted which asked that mitigating actions were needed and the parking issues must be addressed. The Clerk would send the response to CBC. It was reported that Apple maps showed the Bike Jump area as a Church Road address. PCllr Harris would contact Bedford Estate to ask that this be moved to Woburn Road.

Action: DB/GH

New Planning Applications

59 Church Road – trees

73 Church Road – garage conversion

Recent Planning Applications

2971 Village Matters

Actions carried forward:

2762 PCllr Wilson was continuing to gather residents' views. She had also offered to collate the dates of future CBC meetings so that residents were informed of them.

Action: JW

2957 Reverend Diana Young was leaving St Michael's Church on the 18th of July. PCllr Smith would arrange a thank you card.

Action: SS

2957b Mr Ballard was retiring from the Poor's Coal Charity and was looking for a replacement from the Parish. The Clerk would contact Mr Ballard to see what was involved in the role.

Action: DB

2972 To Discuss Residents' Complaints Regarding Parking, Noise and Anti-Social Behaviour Issues Outside Nonna's

Actions carried forward:

2957a The Council had heard a number of complaints from residents about the noise, parking and Anti-Social Behaviour outside Nonna's. As discussed in the Open Forum, the ASB Incident Record was agreed with an additional note for residents to ask that all calls to the Police be logged with the Neighbourhood Team. Residents were asked to copy in the Clerk to all complaints/reports made to the Police and CBC.

Action: DB

2973 To Receive an Update from the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group

Actions carried forward:

2850 It was agreed that ten copies of each Neighbourhood Plan document would be printed so that hard copies would be available to the group's members, the Clerk and a small number to be held in the Parish for residents to access. PCllr Clough would set up an account with the printers. A link to the documents would be added to the residents' pack.

Action: GC

2974 Finance

a. To approve payments to be made in July

Payee	Chq No	Amount	Description
D Batchelor	1433	£307.93	Clerk's Salary – July + 6 hours April - July
D Batchelor	1434	£235.57	Clerk's Salary - August
D Batchelor	1435	£47.25	Thank you gift for Internal Auditor
BATPC	1436	£157.00	Affiliation Fees 2026/27

b. To Agree the financial statements for June

c. To Consider a Request from the Clerk to Purchase a Small Printer

2975 To Note Correspondence Received Since the Last Meeting

	From	Subject	Action
2509	NatWest	Bank Statements	
2510	Central Beds Watch	Crime Stats –June– no crimes reported	
2511	Forvis Mazaars LLP	Confirmation of Receipt of Certificate of Exemption for Audit 2025/26	
2512	Central Beds Council	Local Transport Plan consultation	Comments by 20 th September
2513	Central Beds Council	Town and Parish Council update – Summer 2026	
2514	Central Beds Council	Town and Parish Council Forum invitation – 15 th July 6-7.30pm	
2515	Central Beds Council	Local Plan – Site consultations	Comments by 16 th August

2516	St Michael's Church	Vacancy Meeting – 7 th July	
		ONGOING CONSULTATIONS AND EVENTS	
2489	Beds Police	Community Priority Setting meetings: Weds 8 th July Weds 14 th October	
2493	Milton Keynes Council	MK City Plan 2050 – Notification of Submission – documents to be reviewed	PCllrs to read