

ALREWAS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 08 March 2010 in Alrewas Village Hall

PRESENT Cllrs David Butcher, Tony Coates, Patrick Curran (until Item 9), Donna Moss, John Pegg, Jane Reilly, Roger Sanders and Margaret Stanhope.

IN ATTENDANCE County Cllr Janet Eagland, District Cllr Mike Wilcox (from Item 9) and Jean Burton (Clerk)

1 **Apologies for absence**
Mike Wilcox for late arrival

2 **Declarations of interest**
None

3 **Minutes**

a To receive and approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 08 February 2010

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 08 February 2010 were a true record and could be signed by the Chair of the meeting. Carried unanimously.

4 **Highways**

County Cllr Eagland apologised for County Cllr Maryon who was unable to attend the meeting. Cllrs recorded that they would be delighted if he could spare the time in the future to attend a meeting so they could enlist his support in dealing with the significant problems in the area. County Cllr Eagland to liaise with County Cllr Maryon.

**County
Cllr
Eagland**

a Condition of pavement at 67 Main Street
Nothing to report

b Micklehome Drive drain cover at A38 exit
Amey have advised that this project will be allocated to the budget for 2010/11.

c Removal of "High Street" sign
Amey have offered to change the sign as a cheaper alternative – "Main Street" approved.

Clerk

d Neighbourhood Highway Teams
Areas for attention to be given to the Clerk by 12 March 2010. Pavements in Exchange Road, Main Street and Park Road and the verge in Selwyn Close have been notified.

All

It was noted that a second resident has fallen over in Main Street.

County Cllr Eagland advised that she has listed pavements in Alrewas for priority repairs.

e Parking issues and enforcement of no waiting regulations
Cllr Stanhope reported that she has requested Lichfield District Council to work with Staffordshire County Council to clarify the working procedures so that proper enforcement can be effected.

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5 Planning matters for decision – to consider any planning applications

a Planning applications

These are shown, together with recommendations made, on the attached schedules entitled 'Planning Applications – for Parish Council decision 08 March 2010'

b Condition and deterioration of Essington Farm House and barn

It was noted that LDC have issued S215 notices for action in one and two months and some progress has been made to comply with the requirements.

The Clerk was asked to ensure a further update was received.

Clerk

c Gravel extraction – update from County Cllr Eagland

County Cllr Eagland requested all to sign the petition on line at SCC website and that a demonstration was being organised outside LDC offices on 17 March 2010 when the minerals allocation for the area is to be determined. Representatives for Staffordshire will challenge the current proposals.

Cllrs recorded their thanks to Cllr Eagland and all the County Cllrs who have taken action in this matter.

6 Planning matters for information – to take notice of:

a The summary of LDC decisions for February 2010 was noted.

7 Financial Statements

a To receive and approve the financial statement for the month of February 2010.

The income and expenditure account and balance sheet with notes were presented by the Clerk. It was **RESOLVED** that the financial statement for the month be approved.

b To approve the payments on the cheques for payment list

It was **RESOLVED** that the cheques for payment list as attached is approved and passed for payment.

8 Police report

The police were unable to attend the meeting but PC Griffiths has advised that there are only 2 incidents of note since the last meeting.

9 Parish Assembly

Most representatives from those village organisations approached have confirmed they will set up small stalls demonstrating their activities at the annual Parish Assembly. The format was approved and it was agreed to place an advert in the Parish News and provide details in the Lichfield Mercury via the Village News column.

**Cllrs Moss
and Reilly**

Final details to be confirmed at the next Parish Council meeting.

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10 Footpaths

- a Condition of bridge over Mill Stream (FP97)
The closure has been extended to 20 February 2011.
The National Grid have re-confirmed that our letter is receiving attention. **Clerk**
- b Action regarding dog fouling along the section from Mill End Lane to the field (FP38)
The dog warden will patrol if details of the timing of offences can be supplied. **All**
- c It was noted that the Footpaths Officer has inspected the footpaths from Wellfield Road and reported there are one or two areas on FP6 that need remedial work, 1R/2845 is in favourable condition and needs no work and the majority of 1R/2865 out to the A38 does need some surface work. Works will be put out to tender in April/May.
- d Community Path Initiative – Bids for 2010/2011
The details from SCC were noted.
It was agreed to seek advice on re-instating Dark Lane as a bridleway. **Clerk**

11 Projects – to receive updates on:-

- a Area outside shops
Nothing further to report at present. Clerk to write to LDC asking if work can commence so trees can be planted this season. **Clerk**
- b Improvements to drainage on football pitches
The original contractor who relaid the pitches in 2005 declined to quote but passed the details on to a second firm who has visited the site and offered a solution for £1820 plus VAT.

The proposal was approved in principle subject to obtaining a detailed programme of work and definitive timescale. **Clerk**
- c S106 improvements to Village Hall
Nothing further to report at present.

12 Allotments – *in confidence*

13 Residents Complaints/Requests

None

14 Parish Surgery

No member of the public attended the Parish Surgery held on Saturday 06 March 2010 in the Crown Inn.

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15 Brief items

- a Details of the Community Wellbeing Fund were noted.
- b Responses to the SPCA AGM questionnaire were requested asap **All**
- c New village Youth Club
Cllrs Reilly and Moss reported that the new Youth Club is being well attended and the organisers have been assisted by a Community Youth Worker.

16 Parish Council Diary – (All)

- a Past Dates
None
- B Future Dates
Planning regulations training by SPCA in Alrewas Village Hall on 15 March 2010 at 7.30pm

17 Date of Next Council Meetings

Tuesday 13 April 2010, Parish Council meeting at Alrewas Village Hall starting at 7.30pm.

Last date for notification of agenda items – Friday 02 April 2010.

Monday 26 April 2010 Parish Assembly Alrewas Village Hall 7.30pm start.

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Chair/Vice Chair

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Date