

ALREWAS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 14 November 2011 in Alrewas Village Hall

PRESENT Cllrs David Butcher, Will Chapman, Tony Coates, Peter Coates, Donna Moss, John Pegg, Jane Reilly (from Item 11b) and Graham Slight.

IN ATTENDANCE Jean Burton (Clerk)

1 Apologies for absence

Cllr Stanhope, and Cllr Reilly for late arrival.

2 Declarations of interest

Cllr Slight Item 5a

3 Minutes

a To receive and approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10 October 2011

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10 October 2011 were a true record and could be signed by the Chair of the meeting. Carried unanimously.

4 Public Participation

Nothing tabled.

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 14 November 2011'

6 Planning matters for information – to take notice of:

a The summary of LDC decisions for October 2011 was noted.

7 Financial Statements

a To receive and approve the financial statement for the month of October 2011.

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 is approved and passed for payment.

c Budget 2012/13 – *in confidence*

8 Police report

The police were unable to attend but sent a summary of incidents in the village.

Clerk to request police to attend the next meeting to advise of action being taken. In the meantime, via a notice on the noticeboard and the Village News item in the Lichfield Mercury, villagers will be urged to report all incidents to the police.

**Clerk
Cllrs
Butcher
and Reilly**

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9 Public Open Spaces

a Area around Mellor Drive

The second response from the Planning Officer at LDC confirms that an application to allow parking on the triangular area on the left as you enter Mellor Drive from Fox Lane would be resisted on the basis it would detract from the appearance of the development.

It was agreed to ask the police for written advice on any concerns they have regarding the dangerous parking at the junction of Fox Lane and the A513 in order to ascertain what further action can be taken.

Clerk

When the advice from the police is to hand consideration will be given to the best way to obtain the views of residents in Mellor Drive.

10 Parish Publicity

a Website – nothing to report

The working group has still to meet to discuss the draft proposal for a revised website.

**Cllrs Pegg,
Chapman,
Moss and
Reilly**

11 Highways

a Installation of planters outside the shops on Main Street

Three Claremont type planters have been purchased and delivered to LDC.

The position of the planters needs to be agreed and forwarded to SCC so that a licence can be granted before the planters are installed.

Cllrs will meet with the Co-op to discuss sponsorship and on-going maintenance.

**Cllrs Pegg,
Moss,
Butcher,
Tony
Coates
and Clerk**

b Replacement of 2 trees on pavement in Main Street opposite electric sub-station and west

The Clerk has passed the details of the proposal prepared by Richard Kirkland to SCC and these parties will now liaise directly.

c Main Street speed limit

Cllrs Slight and Peter Coates will set up a working group to identify the problems and potential solutions regarding the traffic flow along Main Street.

**Cllrs Slight
and Peter
Coates**

d Neighbourhood Highway Teams

The teams will be in the village 12-15 December 2011 – details of any works to the Clerk by 24 November 2011.

County Cllr Eagland advised that improvements to the A513 and access to the National Memorial Arboretum are being identified by SCC.

Cllrs recorded their thanks to County Cllr Eagland for arranging for the trees on the A38 south sliproad to be trimmed.

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e Safe alternative to A513

It was **RESOLVED** to support this proposal in principle and Cllr Chapman will join the working party.

**Cllr
Chapman**

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- f Re-surfacing Main Street
Cllrs noted that the contractors in the village were near to completing the work and wished to convey thanks for the considerate and courteous manner in which the work had been undertaken. **Clerk**
- 12 **Allotments**
- a The Royal British Legion Club have promised once again to action the agreement immediately and have blamed staff shortages for the delays.
It was **RESOLVED** to continue to try to conclude this matter but the position will be reconsidered if the agreement is not finalised by 01 January 2012. **Clerk**
- 13 **Play area Walkfield**
- a Improvements to play area – nothing new to report
Cllr Moss will arrange a site visit to see the surface in operation once it is installed in Fradley.
The grant application is in progress. **Cllrs Moss and Reilly**
- b Request from Alrewas Tennis Club regarding car parking
The letter sent to Mike Maryon the Cabinet Member at SCC responsible for Highways & Transport to enlist his support in resolving this matter has been acknowledged and he is investigating our concerns. **Cllr Moss and Clerk**
- 14 Fair Trade Village
It was **RESOLVED** that the Parish Council would support the application for Fair Trade Status for Alrewas and would provide Fair Trade refreshments at Parish Council meetings. **Clerk and Cllr Reilly**
- 15 **Parish Forum**
The next meeting will be on 19 January 2012.
- 16 **Residents Complaints/Requests**
- a Overgrown area behind George and Dragon
A letter has been sent to the brewery to request that tree stumps be removed and the area tidied, no response to date but the Clerk has the contact details for the area manager to follow up. **Clerk**
- b Mile Run for Sports Relief
The Cricket Club have given advance notice that they are hoping to organise a Mile Run for Sport Relief at Walkfield on 25 March 2012. More details will be available nearer the time.
- 17 **Brief items – to take note of:**
Nothing reported.

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18 Parish Council Diary – (All)

a Past Dates

Armistice Day Remembrance Service at the National Memorial Arboretum 11 November 2011 attended by Cllr Pegg

Remembrance Day Parade Alrewas 13 November 2011

b Future Dates

Visit by Nick Bell – County Cllr Eagland confirmed this will not be forthcoming.

19 Date of Next Council Meetings

Monday 12 December 2011, Parish Council meeting at Alrewas Village Hall starting at 7.30pm.

Last date for notification of agenda items – Thursday 01 December 2011.

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Chair/Vice Chair

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Date