

## **ALREWAS PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 16 January 2012 in Alrewas Village Hall**

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

**IN ATTENDANCE** County Cllr Janet Eagland (from Item 4) and Jean Burton (Clerk)

**1 Apologies for absence**

Cllr Reilly for late arrival and Cllr Stanhope.

**2 Declarations of interest**

None

**3 Minutes**

a To receive and approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12 December 2011

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12 December 2011 were a true record and could be signed by the Chair of the meeting.

**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 schedules entitled 'Planning Applications – for Parish Council decision 16 January 2012'

**6 Planning matters for information – to take notice of:**

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

**7 Financial Statements**

a To receive and approve the financial statement for the month of December 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 To approve the budget and Precept

It was **RESOLVED** that the Precept for 2012/13 should be set at £34,000 and transfers from reserves would be made to match the expenditure as outlined by the Clerk at the November meeting.

**8 Police report**

The police were unable to attend but supplied a brief report which read out by the Clerk.

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#### **9 Parish Publicity**

##### **a Website**

A demonstration of the prototype website was given by the working group and was considered by all to be an impressive work in progress. The group anticipate needing one more meeting before presenting a proposal identifying who will be responsible for the various parts.

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

#### **10 Highways**

##### **a Installation of planters outside the shops on Main Street**

The licence from SCC is still outstanding but we have permission to install the planters.

A letter has been sent to the Co-op to request sponsorship for the initial purchase and on-going maintenance.

Three quotes have been obtained for planting and maintenance, these will be considered at the February meeting.

Clerk to continue to progress.

**Clerk**

##### **b Main Street Traffic Management Review**

The working group will be meeting on 23 January 2012.

**Cllrs Slight  
and Peter  
Coates**

##### **c Traffic Management over Chetwynd Bridge**

The safety concerns regarding traffic flows over this bridge were noted but after discussion it was agreed that no action is to be taken.

#### **11 Allotments**

##### **a Our solicitor has advised that the RBL have appointed a new person to deal with this matter on their behalf and the only matter outstanding is the contribution towards the fencing costs.**

He is also awaiting feedback on the access agreement from the solicitor acting on behalf of the owners.

Clerk to continue to progress.

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

#### **12 Play area Walkfield**

##### **a Improvements to play area**

The grant application has been made and acknowledged.

The working group will meet in January/February to finalise the details of the improvements and the timescale for installation.

**Cllrs Moss  
and Reilly**

##### **b Request from Alrewas Tennis Club regarding car parking**

County Cllr Eagland reported that a meeting had been held with SCC Highways representatives who have agreed to look at the car park layout in order to accommodate the extra spaces required.

**County  
Cllr  
Eagland**

##### **c Annual Site Inspection**

The comments from the annual site inspection were noted and it was agreed that the working group looking at the improvements would incorporate any significant recommendations.

**Cllrs Moss  
and Reilly**

#### **13 Standing Orders**

It was agreed that a working group would review the Standing Orders ahead of the annual meeting in May. First meeting on 26 January 2012.

**All**

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**14 Localism Act**

It was agreed that a working group would review the Localism Act to make sure the Parish Council was fully prepared for any changes implemented. First meeting on 22 February 2012.

**15 Parish Forum**

The next meeting will be on 19 January 2012.

**16 Residents Complaints/Requests**

a Overgrown area behind George and Dragon  
Nothing further to report - the Property Team manager from Marstons has offered to meet Cllrs on site when the pre-contract meeting is held. Cllrs Tony and Peter Coates will attend.

**Cllrs Tony  
and Peter  
Coates  
and Clerk**

b Inge Drive/Poppy Gardens  
Clerk to ascertain if the path worn by pedestrians cutting the corner off can be opened up to allow free access or alternatively be adequately fenced off.

**Clerk**

c Hedge at junction William IV Road and Main Street  
Residents complaining about the overgrown hedge affecting visibility at the junction are advised to report the matter to SCC Highways Hotline.

d Litter at Walkfield after football matches  
Clerk to remind teams of responsibility to leave area clear and tidy.

**Clerk**

**17 Brief items – to take note of:**

a Community Council of Staffordshire Diary of Village Festivals and Events 2012 – details to Clerk by 05 March 2012

b Best Kept Village closing date 24 February 2012

**18 Parish Council Diary – (All)**

a Past Dates

b Future Dates

**19 Date of Next Council Meetings**

Monday 13 February 2012, Parish Council meeting at Alrewas Village Hall starting at 7.30pm.

Last date for notification of agenda items – Thursday 02 February 2012.

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**Chair/Vice Chair**

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**Date**