

## **ALREWAS PARISH COUNCIL**

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

**PRESENT** Cllrs David Butcher, Tony Coates, Peter Coates, Donna Moss, John Pegg, Jane Reilly (from Item 5a) and Margaret Stanhope.

**IN ATTENDANCE** PCSO Tracy Horton to Item 8 and Jean Burton (Clerk)

**1 Apologies for absence**

Cllrs Chapman, Slight and County Cllr Eagland.

**2 Declarations of interest**

Cllr D Butcher Item 5a Village Hall planning application.

**3 Minutes**

To receive and approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12 March 2012

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12 March 2012 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 April 2012'

**b Matter deferred pending clarification: to consider if Leavesleys should be invited to give a presentation at the Parish Council meeting on plans for the development of Ivy Garage following the second public consultation.**

It was noted that a briefing session on Localism and Neighbourhood Planning has been arranged by LDC for 22 May 2012 but with space for only 2 attendees.

Additional training will be requested for all Cllrs.

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

**a The decisions from LDC for March 2012 were noted.**

**7 Financial Statements**

**a To receive and approve the financial statement for the month of March 2012.**

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 and year 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.

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- c The contents of the interim internal audit report were noted and the Clerk was thanked for her part in ensuring a clean report.

#### 8 **Police report**

PCSO Tracy Horton gave a report on incidents in the village. The main cause for concern is the group of pedlars known as the Nottingham Knockers who are door-knocking in an intimidating way. It was agreed that the Clerk would write to the Chief Constable asking him to contact the Nottinghamshire Chief Constable to take action to confine their activities to the area for which they are licensed.

#### 9 **Parish Publicity**

##### a Website

Cllr Moss proposed a final draft of the new website where the main changes are a different platform which our current website provider does not support; rolling feeds from eg LDC, Staffordshire County Council, local information, CPRE; and a current issues page which will be updated quarterly by the group which used to produce the quarterly newsletter.

It was **RESOLVED** that the proposal be approved and a new website provider be appointed. The working group will determine the final details.

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

Cllrs recorded their thanks to Cllr Chapman who provided a very comprehensive working model identifying lots of possible additions.

#### 10 **Highways**

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

The planters are on site. It was noted that the yellow lines need to be re-instated and PCSO Horton is progressing this.

The Co-op has deferred a decision on sponsorship until July 2012.

##### b Main Street Traffic Management Review

The next meeting will be on 30 April 2012.

**Cllrs  
Slight and  
Peter  
Coates**

#### 11 **Footpaths**

##### a Walkfield Road/Fox Lane installation of lighting

The information supplied to Cllr T Coates was considered and it was **RESOLVED** that no further action would be taken.

#### 12 **Allotments**

- a The report from the Council's solicitor was considered and it was **RESOLVED** that Cllrs Pegg and Tony Coates be authorised to sign on behalf of the Parish Council:

The Licence to Occupy, the Side Letter of Agreement and the Access Licence.

The start date is 1 May 2012. Cllrs Pegg, Butcher and Tony Coates will take the matter forward.

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

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#### **13 Play area Walkfield**

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

Orders have been placed for the roundabout and rubber surfacing. The anticipated installation date for the roundabout is early May and the surfacing will follow.

##### **b** Alrewas Civic Society

It was **RESOLVED** that the request to use as car park for the open gardens weekend on 30 June and 1 July 2012 be approved.

#### **14 Standing Orders**

The next meeting of the working group will be on 25 April 2012 7pm at the RBL office.

**All**

#### **15 Localism Act**

Cllrs Pegg, Chapman and Slight attended a training session run by CPRE which was very useful and confirmed the need for clarification of the effect of the Localism Act - see Item 5b.

#### **16 Parish Forum**

Next meeting will be on 24 April 2012.

#### **17 Residents Complaints/Requests**

##### **a** Overgrown area behind George and Dragon

Cllrs Tony and Peter Coates are hopeful that the area will be tidied following the meeting held on 14 March 2012.

##### **b** Inge Drive/Poppy Gardens

SCC have confirmed they will work with the Parish Council to provide fencing between Inge Drive and Burway Meadow. Costings awaited.

**Clerk**

With regard to the boundary concerns SCC have advised they are unable to assist since the land appears not to have been handed over to anyone following completion of the S38 development.

##### **c** Litter bins at Walkfield

It was agreed to move the litter bin alongside the fence at the entrance to the MUGA to partway along the football pitch near the fence by the end of the cricket nets.

**Clerk**

The Clerk was asked to compliment LDC on how well Walkfield is being maintained at present and to thank all involved.

**Clerk**

##### **d** Fly-tipping at Deepmore

The fly-tipping reported at Deepmore appears to be paving slabs removed from the rear garden at number 22 Deepmore Close. The matter has been reported to the Environmental enforcement officer at LDC who will be contacting the householders to clear the site.

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**18 Brief items – to take note of:**

- a Canal Boat Festival  
This event has been cancelled.
  
- b Arts Festival Grant  
The thank-you letter from the Arts Festival was noted.

**19 Parish Council Diary – (All)**

- a Past Dates
  
- b Future Dates  
  
Parish Assembly 23 April 2012

**20 Date of Next Council Meetings**

Monday 21 May 2012, Annual Parish Council meeting followed by Ordinary Parish Council meeting at Alrewas Village Hall starting at 7.30pm.

Last date for notification of agenda items – Thursday 10 May 2012.

..... **Chair/Vice Chair**

..... **Date**