

ALREWAS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 09 July 2012 in Alrewas Village Hall

PRESENT Cllrs David Butcher, Will Chapman, Tony Coates, Peter Coates, Donna Moss, John Pegg, Jane Reilly, Graham Slight and Margaret Stanhope.

IN ATTENDANCE County Cllr Janet Eagland to Item 15 and Jean Burton (Clerk). PCSO Tracy Horton to Item 10.

1 New Code of Conduct

Pursuant to section 27 of the Localism Act 2011 it was **RESOLVED** that the Code of Conduct attached be adopted.

Cllrs noted the requirement to complete and submit the Register of Members Interests Form within 28 days.

2 Apologies for absence

None.

3 Declarations of interest

None.

4 Minutes

To receive and approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 18 June 2012

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 18 June 2012 were a true record and could be signed by the Chair of the meeting.

5 Public Participation

None.

6 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 09 July 2012'

7 Planning matters for information – to take notice of:

a The decisions from LDC for June 2012 were noted.

8 Premises Licences

No applications for consideration.

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9 Financial Statements

- a To receive and approve the financial statement for the month of June 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 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 It was **RESOLVED** that the insurance renewal from Aon Limited for 2012/13 be approved.

10 Police report

PCSO Tracy Horton gave a brief report indicating that once again there had been very few incidents in the month. One area of concern is the placing of nails in Oakfield Road positioned to cause punctures. This matter is being investigated by the police who ask for residents' support in checking the area and keeping PCSO Tracy Horton informed on 07837 634018.

11 Highways

- a County Cllr Eagland reported that Highways have considered the report prepared by the working group and advised that Highways are unable to influence the people who park on the pavements and the parking does have the effect of reducing the speed of vehicles along Main Street. Cllrs expressed their concerns that the speeding through the village was not being addressed and asked the Clerk to forward a copy of the working group's report to the police and ask for their views on the matters highlighted for consideration at the September Parish Council meeting.

Clerk

- b County Cllr Eagland advised that Richard Rayson at Highways was investigating whether bollards could be installed close to the kerb alongside the junction of Exchange Road and Main Street. Clerk to follow up.

Clerk

12 Parish Publicity

- a Website
The new website will be live in the next week following incorporation of the newsletter information.

Cllrs Moss and Reilly

- b Newsletter
The annual newsletter should be distributed by the end of the week.

Cllr Reilly

13 Footpaths

- a Proposed diversion of public footpath No.49
Following the meeting with representatives from LDC on site Cllr Pegg gave clarification on the proposals to divert the footpath. After discussion it was **RESOLVED** that Cllrs would attend a meeting with the agent acting on behalf of the developers to increase their knowledge of what is proposed but that these Cllrs did not have any authority to make any agreement with the agent.

All and Clerk

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14 Allotments

- a There has been no further correspondence from neighbours.
Two people from the village have agreed to be involved with setting up and running the Allotment Association.
A notice advising that allotments will be available shortly and asking anyone interested to contact Cllr Tony Coates or the Clerk has been placed on the noticeboard.
The order has been placed for LDC to install the fencing and gates. The area has been topped.
South Staffs Water has advised that providing water to site as initially suggested will be costly and require legally enforceable easements across property so negotiations are in hand to link into the water supplied to the bowling green on behalf of the Royal British Legion Club.

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

15 Play area Walkfield

- a Improvements to play area
Final installation of the rubber surfacing has been delayed by the weather.

16 Neighbourhood Plan

All considered the presentation given by Neil Cox Planning Policy Manager at LDC prior to the start of the Parish Council meeting to have been very clear and comprehensive and Cllrs formally recorded their thanks to Mr Cox.

After discussion it was **RESOLVED** that the next meeting of the working group would prepare a project plan to take forward the development of a Neighbourhood Plan for presentation to the Parish Council meeting in September.

All

17 Parish Forum

Next meeting on 18 September 2012.

18 Residents Complaints/Requests

- a Overgrown area behind George and Dragon
Work is due to start any time dependent on the weather – nothing further to report.
- b Inge Drive/Poppy Gardens
Installation of the fencing will be completed by Highways.
It was **RESOLVED** that Cllr Tony Coates should work with the contractor responsible for the planters to provide and plant some prickly hedging along the fence-line, cost c£25.
- c Hedge along Dark Lane
It was noted that the hedge bordering Dark Lane is overgrown.
Clerk to contact landowner to request cutting.
- d Grass cuttings on Walkfield
A resident has complained about the heaps of grass cuttings being left on Walkfield. Cllr Tony Coates to investigate.

**Cllr T
Coates**

Clerk

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19 Brief items – to take note of:

a Nothing reported.

20 Parish Council Diary – (All)

a Past Dates

Nothing reported.

b Future Dates

John Taylor Presentation Evening 12 July 2012.

Cllr Moss

Battle of Britain Service Fradley Church 16 September 2012 at 3pm – all invited. Cllr Pegg will attend on behalf of the Parish Council and will lay a wreath.

All

21 Date of Next Council Meeting

It was agreed that there would be no meeting in August so the next Parish Council meeting will be on Monday 10 September 2012, at Alrewas Village Hall starting at 7.30pm.

Last date for notification of agenda items – Thursday 30 August 2012.

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Chair/Vice Chair

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Date