

## **ALREWAS PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 10 September 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** District Cllr Mike Wilcox (from Item 5a) and Jean Burton (Clerk). PCSO Tracy Horton for Item 9.

1 **Apologies for absence**

County Cllr Eagland.

2 **Declarations of interest**

Cllr Chapman Item 5a.

3 **Minutes**

To receive and approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 09 July 2012

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 09 July 2012 were a true record and could be signed by the Chair of the meeting.

4 **Public Participation**

None.

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 10 September 2012'

b **Response to Lichfield District Local Plan Strategy**

It was **RESOLVED** that the 3 Consultation Submissions registered with LDC were approved.

Cllr Chapman was commended for his hard work in preparing the submissions.

c **Meeting with Lion Court Homes**

It was **RESOLVED** not to meet with Lion Court Homes in advance of a planning application being submitted. Clerk to advise Lion Court Homes.

**Clerk**

d **Letter from Connells**

It was **RESOLVED** to write to Connells advising that the Parish Council would give due consideration to a proposal for this area when full details of what is planned are available.

**Clerk**

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

a The decisions from LDC for July and August 2012 were noted.

7 **Premises Licences**

No applications for consideration.

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#### **8 Financial Statements**

- a To receive and approve the financial statement for the months of July and August 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 months 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 The receipt of the grant from the Midlands Co-operative Society Limited was noted.

#### **9 Police report**

The Neighbourhood Watch report was noted and PCSO Tracy Horton gave a brief report indicating that once again there had been very few incidents in the month. Those responsible for theft of the Arts Festival decorations are being identified and will provide community service by delivering leaflets around the village.

Speed checks undertaken along Fox Lane identified an average speed of 21-27mph with 4 out of 263 drivers exceeding the 30mph limit.

PCSO Horton will liaise with Highways to see if traffic data along Main Street can be collected ahead of the meeting with County Cllr Eagland and Richard Rayson.

#### **10 Highways**

- a Police comment on the report from the Main Street Traffic Management working group – PCSO Horton will attend the meeting to be arranged with County Cllr Eagland and Highways.

**Clerk**

- b Bollards at junction of Main Street and Exchange Road to be addressed at the meeting to be arranged with County Cllr Eagland and Highways.

**Clerk**

- c The Section 96 Licence Agreement – Planters at Main Street Alrewas was approved and it was **RESOLVED** that the Clerk is authorised to sign the agreement on behalf of the Parish Council.

**Clerk**

- d The A38 trunk road (Hilliard's Cross to Branston Interchange, Staffordshire) (30mph speed restriction) order 2012 was noted.

- e The clarification in the Briefing Note relating to the Street Lighting – Energy Conservation Initiative was noted.

#### **11 Parish Publicity**

- a Website

The new website is live and operating successfully. A link to the flood photographs will be set up.

- b Newsletter

The annual newsletter has been distributed.

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#### **12 Footpaths**

- a Proposed diversion of public footpath No.49  
It was **RESOLVED** that the proposed diversion of FP49 be accepted.

#### **13 Allotments**

- a Cllr Tony Coates gave an update on progress regarding the layout of the site.  
The Alrewas Royal British Legion Bowling Club have agreed to allow water to be drawn from their supply and it was **RESOLVED** that spending of £115 for a meter and pipework to the boundary be approved.  
The working group will continue to liaise with the Allotment Association.

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

#### **14 Play area Walkfield**

- a Improvements to play area  
The request from a resident to paint the equipment and fencing was considered and it was noted that the manufacturer advises that the equipment should not be treated or painted. Costs to replace the fencing will be investigated for consideration in the budget for 2013/14. Cllr Moss will advise the resident.  
The Clerk will review the bark levels and weekly maintenance and weed-killing with LDC.

**Cllr Moss**

**Clerk**

- b Alrewas tennis club  
Planning permission has been secured and it was agreed that the working group would progress the request for a lease.

**Cllrs Moss,  
Butcher,  
Reilly and  
Clerk**

#### **15 Neighbourhood Plan**

The Neighbourhood Plan strategy was presented by Cllr Pegg for consideration and it was **RESOLVED** that East Staffs Borough Council should be approached to see if an officer would give a presentation on what is involved at the initial public meeting.

**Cllr Pegg**

#### **16 Parish Forum**

Next meeting on 18 September 2012.

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

- a Overgrown area behind George and Dragon  
The contact at Marstons has confirmed that it is their intention to complete the works as stated and he will investigate reasons for the delay.
- b Inge Drive/Poppy Gardens  
Installation of the fencing has been completed and the shrub planting will take place in the autumn.
- c Overgrown area behind Mellor Drive and Foxton Close  
The condition of the site was noted and that the landowner has been identified. He has agreed to contact the resident directly to deal with the complaint.

**Clerk**

**Cllr T  
Coates**

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d Rykneld Street  
It was noted that a resident has complained about the proposal in a recent developers presentation for 2 way traffic on the slip road and about the lorries queuing from the garage.

**18 Brief items – to take note of:**

a Planning enforcement survey consultation closes 30 September 2012, replies to Clerk by 18 September. **All**

b Statement of Principles (Gambling Policy) consultation closes 14 September 2012, replies to Clerk by 12 September. **All**

c Presentation by BDW Group regarding proposals for major strategic mixed-use development in South-East Staffordshire held on 4 September 2012.

d A leaflet raising funds for repair of the Bailey bridges will be distributed around the village soon.

**19 Parish Council Diary – (All)**

a Past Dates

Cllr Moss attended the John Taylor Presentation Evening 12 July 2012.

The Alrewas Arts Festival held at the end of August was an excellent community event, even better than those held in previous years, and very well attended. A letter of appreciation is to be sent to the organisers. **Clerk**

b Future Dates

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**

Community Council of Staffordshire AGM 24 September 2012 – details with Clerk.

**20 Date of Next Council Meeting**

Monday 08 October 2012, Parish Council meeting at Alrewas Village Hall starting at 7.30pm.

Last date for notification of agenda items – Thursday 27 September 2012.

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**Chair/Vice Chair**

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**Date**