

ALREWAS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 10 December 2012 in Alrewas Village Hall

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

IN ATTENDANCE Jean Burton (Clerk).

1 Apologies for absence

Cllrs Peter Coates, Margaret Stanhope and County Cllr Eagland.

2 Declarations of interest

a Dispensation in relation to setting the budget and annual Precept
It was noted that unless a dispensation was granted the number of persons disqualified in relation to this matter would be so great a proportion as to impede the transaction of business and it was **RESOLVED** that a dispensation up until the next ordinary election be granted to all parish councillors who live within the parish to enable them to participate in any discussion or vote on any matter concerning the setting of the Council's budget and annual precept. Applications for a dispensation have been received from Cllrs Butcher, Chapman, A Coates, Moss, Pegg, Reilly, Slight and Stanhope and are now granted.

b **Other declarations of interest**

Cllrs Chapman, A Coates, Pegg and Slight in relation to Item 9.

3 Minutes

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

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

b Local Plan Strategy – comments on updated Sustainability Appraisal by 17 January 2013

Cllrs agreed to review the updated Sustainability Appraisal prior to the next Parish Council meeting so that comments can be agreed before submission to LDC.

Clerk to book meeting room at RBL for 7 January 2013 at 7pm.

Clerk to check website link at LDC and link to Parish Council website and advise LDC that the mobile library from Burton does not carry copies of the Appraisal.

All

**Clerk
Clerk**

6 Planning matters for information – to take notice of:

The decisions from LDC for November 2012 were noted.

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7 Premises Licences

No applications for consideration.

8 Financial Statements

a To receive and approve the financial statement for the month of November 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 Budget 2013/14 – *in confidence*.

9 Grant

Cllrs Pegg, Chapman, A Coates and Slight left the meeting.

Cllr Moss took the Chair.

It was **RESOLVED** that a grant of £500 be awarded to the Alrewas Community Fund towards the Bailey Bridge Repair Project subject to the Alrewas Community Fund confirming:

a the money would be used for this project only,

b by making this award the Parish Council is not taking any responsibility for this repair

c by making this award the Parish Council is not taking any responsibility for any future repairs

Payment to be made following submission to the Clerk of a paid invoice in relation to this project to a value in excess of £500.

Cllrs Pegg, Chapman, A Coates and Slight rejoined the meeting.

Cllr Pegg took the Chair.

10 Police report

The police apologised for being unable to attend but had supplied a brief report which was read by the Clerk.

11 Memorial Bench

It was agreed that Cllrs Moss and Tony Coates would contact the resident with a view to placing the bench on Walkfield.

**Cllrs Moss
and Tony
Coates**

12 Highways

a Main Street Traffic Management working group – nothing to report.

b Additional planters at junction of Main Street and Exchange Road
Clerk to follow up with Neighbourhood Watch to see if they would fund two additional planters.

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13 Allotments

- a At the Allotments Association meeting held on 3 December 2012 a Chair, Secretary and Treasurer were nominated. A constitution will be drafted at the next meeting to be held on 13 December 2012.

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

14 Play area Walkfield

- a Mole Activity

It was **RESOLVED** that a one-off treatment costing £236 plus VAT be approved to eliminate the moles providing any recurrence within 3 months would also be covered.

Clerk

- b Alrewas Tennis Club

The request for a lease is still with the Parish Council's solicitor. Clerk to progress.

Clerk

- c QEII Fields in Trust

The report from Parish Council's solicitor is with Cllrs for review and comments.

All

- d Willow tree alongside canal

The pruning is awaiting approval from the arboricultural officer at LDC.

- e Annual play inspection report

The comments from the inspector were noted. LDC has been asked to provide quotes for the major items.

- f Overgrowth alongside the canal

A meeting has been held with LDC and action already taken to clear the area.

- g Alrewas Cricket Club presentation

It was agreed to hear from Mr Tim Aston in relation to the planned improvements at the Cricket Club at the Parish Council meeting to be held on 14 January 2013.

15 Neighbourhood Plan

There was an excellent response at the initial public meeting and the next meeting to decide what is critical to the village will be held sometime in January.

16 Parish Forum

Next meeting 17 January 2013.

17 Residents Complaints/Requests

- a Overgrown area behind George and Dragon
Cllr Pegg has written to the CEO of Marstons PLC.

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18 **Brief items** – nothing reported

19 **Parish Council Diary – (All)**

a Past Dates

b Future Dates

20 **Date of Next Council Meeting**

Monday 14 January 2013, Parish Council meeting at Alrewas Village Hall starting at 7.30pm.

Last date for notification of agenda items – Thursday 03 January 2013.

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Chair/Vice Chair

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Date