

ALREWAS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 14 January 2013 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.
District Cllr Mike Wilcox (to Item 13) County Cllr Janet Eagland (from Item 4 to item 14)

IN ATTENDANCE Jean Burton (Clerk).

1 **Apologies for absence**

None

2 **Declarations of interest**

None

3 **Minutes**

To receive and approve the Minutes and Confidential Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10 December 2012

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10 December 2012 were a true record and could be signed by the Chair of the meeting.

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4 **Public Participation**

Mr Tim Aston gave a presentation on the proposed development of facilities at Alrewas Cricket Club.

Cllrs commended the proposal and thanked Mr Aston for his presentation. A letter of support will be forwarded to Alrewas Cricket Club.

Clerk

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 14 January 2013'

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

It was **RESOLVED** that the comments drafted be approved and forwarded to Lichfield District Council.

Clerk

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

The decisions from LDC for December 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 month of December 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 Precept 2013/14
It was **RESOLVED** that the Precept for 2013/14 be set at £34,000.

9 Police report

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

10 Highways

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

- b Additional planters at junction of Main Street and Exchange Road
It was **RESOLVED** that the annual contract for maintenance of the planters be renewed with Mr Barrett and will be extended to include the two new planters.

Neighbourhood Watch will consider whether they are able to assist with the costs of the two additional planters.

Clerk to continue to progress.

Clerk

- c Condition of tree at Park Road
It was noted that the Arboricultural Officer at LDC is monitoring the condition of this tree and is liaising with Highways about any action to be taken. The next review is in 12 months time.

11 Allotments

- a The Allotments Association has a draft constitution due to be signed at the next meeting.

It was **RESOLVED** that Cllrs Pegg and Moss together with the Clerk are authorised to complete and sign the agreements between the Parish Council and the allotment association.

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

14 Play area Walkfield

- a Alrewas Tennis Club
The working group will meet with the Tennis Club to address the solicitor's points for consideration.

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- b QEII Fields in Trust
The report from Parish Council's solicitor is with Cllrs for review and comments. The working group will meet to progress. **Cllrs Moss, Butcher, Tony Coates, Reilly and Clerk**
- c Willow tree alongside canal
The arboricultural officer at LDC has given permission for the pruning to take place. Clerk to progress. **Clerk**
- d Memorial bench at Walkfield
Nothing to report, may be possible to site along towpath.
- e Dog fouling
It was noted that the incidence of dog fouling on Walkfield has increased and agreed that the dog warden at LDC should be contacted regarding additional signage and possible prosecutions. **Clerk**
- 13 **Neighbourhood Plan**
The next meeting will be held on 28 January 2013 7pm in the village hall.
- 14 **Parish Forum**
Next meeting 17 January 2013.
- 15 **Residents Complaints/Requests**
- a Overgrown area behind George and Dragon
The reply to Cllr Pegg from Marstons PLC advises that the work remains under review, next scheduled review towards the end of January.
- b Removal of telegraph poles
A redundant telegraph pole in Church Road opposite Ellerby Cottage is covered with ivy and causing concerns about whether it is unstable. Clerk to investigate if it and any other unused poles can be removed. **Clerk**
- 16 **Brief items**
- a Removal of trees
An application has been made to fell 2 silver birch trees in a garden along Kings Bromley road. The arboricultural officer is negotiating with the owners but the trees cannot be protected by TPOs.
- 17 **Parish Council Diary – (All)**
- a Past Dates
- b Future Dates

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18 Date of Next Council Meeting

Monday 11 February 2013, Parish Council meeting at Alrewas Village Hall starting at 7.30pm.

Last date for notification of agenda items – Thursday 31 January 2013.

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Chair/Vice Chair

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Date