

## **ALREWAS PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 20 May 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 (from Item 5a).

**IN ATTENDANCE** Jean Burton (Clerk).

1 **Apologies for absence**

Cllrs M Stanhope for late arrival.

2 **Declarations of interest**

None

3 **Minutes**

To receive and approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 15 April 2013

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 15 April 2013 were a true record and could be signed by the Chair of the meeting.

4 **Public Participation**

a Mr David Crump gave an update on progress with the Neighbourhood Plan and a copy of the strategic programme targeting completion in March 2014.

It was **RESOLVED** that the Steering Group progress to Stage 1 was approved.

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 20 May 2013'

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

The decisions from LDC for April 2013 were noted.

7 **Premises Licences**

The application from the Midlands Co-Operative was noted.

8 **Financial Statements**

a To receive and approve the financial statement for the month of April 2013.

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.

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#### **9 Police report**

No report was available from the police but the apprehension of car thieves as a result of prompt action by Neighbourhood Watch members was commended by all.

#### **10 Highways**

a Traffic Management working group – County Cllr Eagland’s offer to progress the plans prepared by SCC Highways for the entrances to the village was approved by all.

**County  
Cllr  
Eagland**

b Lighting along Churchill Crescent

The response received from e-on was considered to be unsatisfactory and County Cllr Eagland was asked if she could obtain details of the terms of the contract between SCC and e-on and ask for comments from SCC on the contents of the letter.

**County  
Cllr  
Eagland**

c Condition of ironworks at Kent Bridge

SCC Highways has confirmed the bridge is due to be painted in this year’s financial programme.

d Car parking at the end of Fox Lane

SCC Highways has undertaken to raise this matter with County Cllr Eagland.

**County  
Cllr  
Eagland**

The Clerk was asked to write to Bromford to request that space be made available on site for residents currently parking on the road.

**Clerk**

#### **11 Walkfield**

a Alrewas Tennis Club

The working group will meet with the Tennis Club to address the solicitor’s points for consideration.

Waiting on Tennis Club to arrange a meeting.

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

b Improvements to play area

It was noted that the project to lay turf and remove the outer fencing is due to start after the half-term holiday.

c Alrewas Open Gardens

The use of Walkfield for car parking on 29<sup>th</sup> and 30<sup>th</sup> June 2013 was approved.

d Sports Clubs meeting 15 April 2013

Cllr Tony Coates provided an update from the recent meeting of sports clubs using Walkfield and advised that the 2 senior football teams would not be using the pitch this season since the proposed improvements to the Cricket Club would mean access to the changing rooms could not be guaranteed to the football teams.

There will be a reduction in revenue of £900. It was agreed that there should be minimal expenditure on the grass in the current financial year and the provision of £1000 in the budget should be carried forward.

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**12 Parish Forum**

The next meeting is on 15 July 2013.

**13 Residents Complaints/Requests**

a Overgrown area behind George and Dragon  
Work is in progress.

b War memorial

It was agreed to clean the war memorial before deciding whether the lettering needed to be renewed.

**Clerk**

c Hedgerow at Dark Lane

In addition to the report from the Arboricultural Officer at LDC it was noted that the hedgerow had been re-planted.

d Dog mess

The amount of dog mess being left along Statfold Lane and Dark Lane is increasing and all are urged to report any offenders on 01543 308999.

**14 Brief items**

None.

**15 Parish Council Diary – (All)**

a Past Dates

Parish Assembly 22 April 2013 – it was agreed that the format worked well and it had been a very successful evening.

b Future Dates

Hearing sessions of the Examination into the soundness of the Lichfield District Local Plan w/c 24 June, 1 and 8 July 2013.

**16 Date of Next Council Meeting**

Monday 10 June 2013 Parish Council meeting at Alrewas Village Hall starting at 7.30pm.

Last date for notification of agenda items – Thursday 30 May 2013.

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**Chair/Vice Chair**

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**Date**