

## **ALREWAS PARISH COUNCIL**

### **Minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 09 September 2013 in Alrewas Village Hall**

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

**IN ATTENDANCE** Jean Burton (Clerk), PCSO Tracy Horton for Item 10.

**1 Apologies for absence**

Cllr M Stanhope and County Cllr Eagland.

**2 Casual Vacancy**

Cllr Pegg noted the resignation of Will Chapman and recorded thanks for all his efforts on behalf of the Parish over the last few years and particularly for championing the Neighbourhood Plan.

**3 Declarations of interest**

No declarations of interest recorded.

**4 Minutes**

- a To receive and approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 08 July 2013

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 08 July 2013 were a true record and could be signed by the Chair of the meeting.

**5 Public Participation**

- a Mr Dave Crump gave an update on progress with the Neighbourhood Plan.
- b Ms Joanne Lewis presented the petition regarding play area at Walkfield and summarised the matters of concern. Cllrs confirmed that the area was part of a programme for on-going improvement and the matters raised would be kept in mind as the project continued.

- c Mr Paul Brunt summarised his concerns arising in relation to Item 11b traffic vibration on Fox Lane. Cllr Pegg invited Mr Brunt to join the Traffic Management Task Group working on the Neighbourhood Plan so that his concerns are included in the matters considered by the Group.

**Cllr Slight**

**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 September 2013'
- b Article 4 application land to rear 20 Kings Bromley Road  
It was agreed to ask LDC to arrange a meeting with the appropriate parties to explore if removal of permitted development rights (Article 4) in relation to the hedge and fencing alongside the canal to the rear of the property was needed.

**Cllrs Pegg,  
Butcher  
and Tony  
Coates**

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- c Proposals for extension to the quarry east A38  
It was agreed to ask Lafarge to attend the Parish Council meeting at which the planning application would be considered in due course and to investigate if Fradley and Streethay members would like to be included.

#### 7 **Planning matters for information – to take notice of:**

- a The decisions from LDC for July and August 2013 were noted.

#### 8 **Premises Licences**

None to consider.

#### 9 **Financial Statements**

- a To receive and approve the financial statement for the months of July and August 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 two 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 Banking arrangements in relation to the Neighbourhood Plan  
It was **RESOLVED** that the Parish Council would accept the £7000 funding raised by the Alrewas Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group and following receipt would transfer a working capital sum of £2000 to the Group to allow the Group to manage expenses incurred.  
On receipt of paid invoices and expense forms duly authorised by the Group the Parish Council will transfer an amount to re-imburse the working capital sum.

- d Audit report 2012/13  
It was noted that the Annual Return for 2012/13 had been received from the auditors with a clean audit report.

#### 10 **Police report**

PCSO Horton reported very few incidents of note in the village since the last meeting.

#### 11 **Highways**

- a Traffic Management working group – the working group has met and identified the type of gates suitable for the character of the village. A meeting with Richard Rayson from SCC is still needed for advice on sourcing and how to progress.

No update from County Cllr Eagland on her offer to investigate if it would be possible to install “20 is plenty near our school” signs along Main Street and whether Fox Lane could be included in this proposal.

- b Traffic vibration on Fox Lane – see Item 5c

**Cllrs P  
Coates,  
Slight,  
Moss and  
T Coates**

**County  
Cllr  
Eagland**

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- c Lighting along Churchill Crescent – nothing to report **County  
Cllr  
England**
- 12 **Walkfield**
- a Alrewas Tennis Club  
The terms of the lease are agreed between the parties and the final version should be available for approval at the October Parish Council meeting. The Clerk will continue to progress this matter. **Clerk**
- b Improvements to play area  
The correspondence with Michael Fabricant was noted.  
  
The condition of the fencing around the toddler area is poor and will be addressed as soon as possible. The concerns raised under Item 5b will be taken into account when reviewing the options available.
- c Alrewas Cricket Club  
The letter sent giving permission for the nominated contractor to dig up the car park to lay pipework to drain for approved building works was noted.  
  
The Agreement for Grant offer received by the Cricket Club requires the Parish Council to be a party to the agreement with the Derbyshire Environmental Trust and it was agreed there were no objections to the restriction being sought by the Trust on disposition of the site.
- d Annual rental charge to Colts  
It was **RESOLVED** that the annual rental charge to the Colts for 2013/14 will be £125. **Clerk**
- e Condition of Cross-Scales  
This equipment is currently out of action as the support posts are rotten. Prices for repair or replacement are being obtained. **Clerk**
- f Tree behind 32 Chaseview Road  
It was agreed to request Gareth Hare the arboricultural officer at LDC to advise on the appropriate level of pruning. **Clerk**
- g Tree behind MUGA  
Cllr Tony Coates will investigate the condition of the tree as reported. **Cllr Tony  
Coates**
- 13 **War Memorial**
- a It was noted that the War Memorial has been cleaned and the Handyman is going to repaint the lettering. A request has been made to clad the concrete base. It was agreed that costs should be obtained for consideration at a future meeting. **Clerk**
- b A list of additional names has been received and it was agreed that the list would be verified by Cllrs Donna Moss and Tony Coates and once agreed would be incorporated onto the new base. **Cllrs Moss  
and Tony  
Coates**

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c Additional planting  
Requests for planting poppies for 2014 and lavender plants (estimated cost £60) along the front were approved subject to timing in relation to the new base. **Clerk**

14 **Parish Forum**  
The next meeting is on 02 October 2013.

15 **Residents Complaints/Requests**

a Sewage on A38 following rainstorms – Cllr Tony Coates  
Noted.

b Parking  
The complaint forwarded from the website was noted.

c Moles at Walkfield  
New mole activity needs to be referred to the pest controller. **Clerk**

16 **Brief items**

a The entrance to the Bailey Bridges has been agree with SCC and work should be starting in the next couple of weeks. Work is then needed on the plaques and hedges with the footpath re-opening shortly thereafter.

b The Post Office is proposing to move to the Pharmacy – consultation currently in hand.

c Memorial Bench  
It was agreed to write to thank Mrs Thomas and the makers of the bench. **Clerk**

17 **Parish Council Diary – (All)**

a Past Dates  
John Taylor High School Presentation evening 11 July 2013 7pm  
Cllr Moss attended.

b Future Dates

18 **Date of Next Council Meeting**

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

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

..... **Chair/Vice Chair**

..... **Date**