

ALREWAS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 14 October 2013 in Alrewas Village Hall

PRESENT Cllrs David Butcher, Tony Coates, Peter Coates (Items 1 to 12), Donna Moss, John Pegg, Jane Reilly and Graham Slight.

IN ATTENDANCE County Cllr Janet Eagland (Items 1 to 12) District Cllr Mike Wilcox (Items 1 to 12) and Jean Burton (Clerk).

1 **Apologies for absence**
Cllr M Stanhope.

2 **Declarations of interest**
No declarations of interest recorded.

3 **Minutes**
a To receive and approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 09 September 2013

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 09 September 2013 were a true record and could be signed by the Chair of the meeting.

5 **Public Participation**
a Mr Ross Halley gave a presentation on the proposed 11.5 hectare extension to Alrewas Quarry Item 6b.
b Mr Dave Crump gave an update on progress with the Neighbourhood Plan.

5 **Co-option of Member – in confidence**

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 14 October 2013'

b Application L.13/07/817 MW- proposed 11.5 hectare extension to Alrewas quarry
It was **RESOLVED** that there were no objections to the proposed extension.

7 **Planning matters for information – to take notice of:**
a The decisions from LDC for September 2013 were noted.

8 **Premises Licences**
None to consider.

9 **Financial Statements**
a To receive and approve the financial statement for the month of September 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.

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- 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.

10 Police report

PCSO Horton apologised for being unable to attend the meeting but had supplied a brief report of incidents in the village since the last meeting.

11 Grant

It was **RESOLVED** that the grant application submitted by 1st Alrewas Scouts for £250 towards repairs to a gazebo be approved for payment.

12 Highways

- a Traffic Management working group – the working group has met with Richard Rayson from Highways and agreed on the type of gates suitable for installation at the entrances to the village from the A513. The gates will incorporate signage to request all to drive carefully and on Fox Lane will include the village logo.
Mr Rayson has also agreed to extend the 30mph zone along the Kings Bromley Road to nearer the junction with the A513 if so requested.

It was **RESOLVED** that the gates as proposed by the working group be approved and that Mr Rayson be asked to implement the extended 30mph limit as soon as possible.

Clerk

Highways will also improve the road markings at both entrances to the village.

County Cllr Eagland advised that the "20 is plenty" signage is also in hand and should be installed on the main road.

- b Lighting along Churchill Crescent

County Cllr Eagland apologised at the time taken to respond which was the result of officers taking leave but this matter was now being addressed and it was suggested that representatives from SCC and e-on be invited to a Parish Council meeting so all concerns could be discussed.

It was agreed that Cllrs would submit details of questions and lighting areas requiring attention for consideration at the Parish Council meeting in November and once a comprehensive list was prepared the representatives be advised of the questions and asked to attend a Parish Council meeting.

All

- c Access to NMA

It was noted that visitors to the NMA had written expressing their concerns over the lack of bus services, footpaths and signage from the village to the NMA.

County Cllr Eagland advised that there is nothing she can do via Highways regarding a footpath and signage from the A38 exit is being improved.

Cllrs suggested that a walking route signed from the village would be useful – volunteers sought to take the matter forward.

All

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13 Walkfield

a Alrewas Tennis Club

It was **RESOLVED** that the Chair and Vice-Chair are authorised the sign the lease with Alrewas Tennis Club on behalf of the Parish Council subject to receipt of the formal agreement of Fields in Trust.

b Play area – toddler fencing

The working party will visit the site to determine the area to be fenced so that costings can be obtained.

**Cllrs
Moss, Reilly
and Tony
Coates**

c Condition of Cross-Scales

The prices for repair or replacement are being still awaited but it was noted that it may be cheaper to place a new structure in a different location and not incur the costs of digging out the existing concrete block.

d Tree behind 32 Chaseview Road

The comments received from the Arboricultural Officer at LDC were considered and it was agreed to plan for replacement of the trees along the boundary with more suitable species. Clerk to obtain prices for inclusion in budget 2014/15.

It was **RESOLVED** that the tree behind 32 Chaseview Road should be removed.

Clerk

e Tree behind MUGA

The tree does not look dangerous at present. The boundary line needs to be defined at some point. No further action required for the time being.

f Walkfield Sports Forum

The minutes from the meeting held on 02 October 2013 were circulated and noted.

14 War Memorial

a A meeting has been held with a supplier regarding cladding the concrete base and adding the missing names. The quote is awaited.

Clerk

b Cllrs Moss and Tony Coates will verify the list of additional names.

**Cllrs Moss
and Tony
Coates**

15 Parish Forum

No report from the meeting held on 02 October 2013.

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16 Residents Complaints/Requests

a Request for new dog bins from the Civic Society
Cllrs noted there is a dog bin at the entrance to the Bailey Bridge and did not agree that a second bin was required.
The bins along the canalside were originally supplied by British Waterways and the Civic Society should approach the Canal and Riverways Trust to replace these.
There is already a bin by the Cricket Club entrance to Walkfield.
In summary the Clerk was asked to advise the Civic Society that the Parish Council would be pleased if the Civic Society wished to replace any bins.

Clerk

b Increased noise from A38
The complaints were noted. The Lichfield Highways department has advised it is not aware of any action by SCC which may have contributed to increased noise levels. Residents should report concerns directly to Staffordshire County Council Highways.

17 Brief items

Nothing to report

18 Parish Council Diary – (All)

a Past Dates

b Future Dates

19 Date of Next Council Meeting

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

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

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Chair/Vice Chair

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Date