

ALREWAS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the parish council meeting held on Monday 21 May 2018 in Alrewas Village Hall

PRESENT Cllrs Jan Altham, David Butcher, Miles Moseley, Donna Moss, Chris Niblock, John Pegg, Jane Reilly, Margaret Stanhope and Dave Whatton.

IN ATTENDANCE District Cllr Mike Wilcox (until Item 8a), County Cllr Janet England and Jean Burton (Clerk).

1 **Apologies for absence**

None.

2 **Declarations of interest**

None.

3 **Minutes**

a To receive and approve the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 16 April 2018

It was **RESOLVED** that the Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 16 April 2018 were a true record and could be signed by the Chair of the meeting.

4 **Public Participation**

a Members of the public – None

b Report from District Cllrs

Cllr Wilcox advised that LDC is preparing comments on the Local Plan Review; Cllr Stanhope confirmed that these will include reference to the recent re-zoning of the flood area around land to the north of Dark Lane by the Environment Agency. Although too late to affect the planning permission for the 121 houses it is important that potential purchasers are made aware of the extent of the flood area. See Item 8b.

c Report from County Cllr England

Updates and reports on potholes can be processed via the SCC website.

Once the final course of action on the rabbits at Walkfield is determined (Item 15b) Cllr England will try to assist with the costs.

The centre of excellence for dementia is going ahead in Fradley.

Recent meetings with HS2 indicate that there will be significant disruption to business and traffic at Fradley Park and along the A38.

5 **Police**

a The Smart Alerts report was noted.

b CCTV in village

County Cllr England will contact Cllr Tittley for an update.

6 **Essington Green land north of Dark Lane**

No further information on the sale of this site by Lioncourt.

Items 6a and b are on hold pending completion of a sale.

a Planning conditions mitigation, execution and policing

b Application of CIL to this development

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7 **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 21 May 2018'.

- b It was noted that Bromford are hosting a drop in session at the Village Hall on 24 May 2018 from 7.30pm for residents and Cllrs to view the plans for the Anson Road re-development.

All

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

- a The decisions from LDC for April 2018 were noted.

- b It was noted the Lichfield District Local Plan Review consultation closes 11 June 2018 and it was agreed that the Parish Council would write in support of the concerns raised by LDC regarding the flood zone on the land north of Dark Lane.

Clerk

9 **Neighbourhood Plan**

- a The Examiner has been positive about the revised boundary and proposed local green space so the Steering Group has not asked the Consultant to review his report.
LDC are due to publish their decision statement in mid-June with the referendum likely to be in August.

10 **Financial Statements**

- a To receive and approve the financial statement for the month of April 2018.

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.

11 Staffing – *in confidence*

12 **Data Protection**

- a It was noted that further clarification of the requirements of GDPR has confirmed compliance is needed.

- b It was noted that further clarification of the requirements of GDPR has given an exemption for Parish Councils from appointing a Data Protection Officer.

13 **Highways and footpaths**

Benches

SCC have said they will look at the benches proposal ahead of a one-off licence fee which will cover all benches in a parish being issued. Contact details have been passed to the Civic Society.

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- a Proposal for staging benches throughout the village
The proposal to install benches on Fox Lane at the junction with Walkfield Road and Burway Meadow near the junction with Wellfield Road to be costed and brought back to the Parish Council when fully detailed.
Cllr Reilly advised there is nothing further to report.
- b A38 traffic flows
Cllr Whatton referred to the reduction in accidents following the speed restriction from Weeford to Bassetts Pole and will undertake an investigation over the next 12 months to ascertain if it will be possible to impose a speed restriction along the section from Branston to Hilliards Cross.
Cllr Pegg noted that reduced speed on the A38 may cause Highways to reconsider allowing access at Micklehome Drive for vehicles from the new houses on land north of Dark Lane.
- c Roundabouts A38 flyover
County Cllr Eagland confirmed that previous requests to SCC to allow these areas to be planted in some way had been turned down but she would ask again if anything could be done.
- 14 **Waterways**
- a Flood Task Group – Cllr Moseley reported some progress over Easter. Only one person from the village is helping at present so Cllr Reilly will re-advertise for assistance.
- 15 **Walkfield**
- a Concerns over dogs and children
The working group have reviewed the comments received and recommend that a properly qualified consultant is requested to look at all the facilities on the site and give an independent report on any resulting Health and Safety issues.
Cllr Moss has approached the H&S manager at LDC who has confirmed he is happy to visit.
It was agreed in principle to seek an independent report for future consideration.
- b The latest report on the rabbits was noted.
- c Easement across Walkfield
Awaiting contact from the developers to set up a meeting with the working group – nothing further to report.
- 16 **War Memorial**
- a The War Memorial Trust has refused to allow the application of masonry paint to the base.
The contractor has arranged for the base to be cleaned and re-rendered but a site meeting will be held before to ensure this is the best way to proceed.

Cllr Whatton

Cllr Eagland

**Cllrs Moseley
and Reilly**

Cllr Moss

**Cllrs Altham,
Butcher and
Pegg and the
Clerk**

**Cllrs Butcher,
Moss and Clerk**

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- 17 **Parish Forum**
The next meeting is on 22 October 2018.

- 18 **Residents Complaints/Requests**
 - a The grass at Deepmore has been cut after being missed following a change in crew.

- 19 **Brief items**
 - a Liaison with the Civic Society – nothing to report.

- 20 **Parish Council Diary – (All)**
 - a Past dates
The Parish Assembly was well attended and went well.

 - b Future Dates

- 21 **Date of Next Council Meeting**
Monday 11 June 2018 Parish Council meeting at Alrewas Village Hall starting at 7.30pm. Last date for notification of agenda items – Thursday 31 May 2018.

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

..... **Date**