

ALREWAS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 8 July 2019 in Alrewas Village Hall at 7.30pm

CONFIRMED

PRESENT Clls Jan Altham, John Pegg, Janette Potter, Jane Reilly (Vice Chair and Acting Chair), and Margaret Stanhope.

IN ATTENDANCE Ms Kathryn Powell, Clerk.

Members of the public were welcomed to the meeting and thanked for their attendance.

1 Apologies

- a Noted and accepted: Cllr David Butcher (ill health), Cllr Dave Whatton (other commitment) Cllr Denise Tolson (other commitment) District Cllrs Derick Cross, Michael Wilcox and Sonia Wilcox (holidays), CCllr Janet Eagland (other commitment).

2 New Declarations of Interest

- a Noted: Cllr Stanhope declared an interest in planning application 19/00899/FUL.

3 Minutes

- a **RESOLVED:** to approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council meeting held on 10 June 2019 as a true record, without amendment. **(APC/19-20/2/M)**.
- c Considered: the updated action sheet **(APC/19-20/3/1)**

4 Public Participation

- a Village residents:

Alrewas Residents Group (ARG): an update on actions including:

The ARG pamphlet distribution jointly with the Parish Council had been undertaken and the ARG update 16 published on the Parish Council website. Mr Walton was pursuing contacts and queries with several parties. Crest Nicholson had moved the fencing to the correct boundary. ARG was waiting for a response from Crest Nicholson to the request to allow access to footpaths across the northern edge of the site.

Bus shelters: A resident asked that the Council consider the installation of at least one bus shelter to provide shelter for those waiting for buses, especially the elderly and disabled. [see Minute 8]

The members of the public were thanked for their participation.

- b Report from District Councillors
Noted: that there was no report.

- c Report from County Councillors
Noted: that there was no report from the County Cllr but e mail updates from her had been circulated to Cllrs in between meetings by the Clerk.

5 Planning matters

- a Considered: Recommendations were made on the following planning applications **(APC/19-20/2/2)**:

19/00467/FUH	11 Turton Close	Recommend approval
19/00906/LBC	88 Main Street	Recommend approval subject to

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19/00899/FUL	Trent Cottage, 1 Park Road	Conservation Officer's approval Recommend approval
19/00748/FUL (extra information)	37 Mill End Lane	Recommend refusal as extra information does not address Council's previous concerns
19/00862/FUL	7 Puddledock Grove	Recommend approval

ACTION: Clerk

- b **RESOLVED:** applications received until the end of August 2019 would be considered by e mail consultation.
ACTION: Cllrs/Clerk

6 Financial statements

- a **RESOLVED:** to approve the financial statement for June 2019 (**APC/19-20/3/3**). Significant issues would be highlighted by the Clerk at future meetings.

- b **RESOLVED:** to approve the Cheques for Payment list (**APC/19-20/3/4**).

7 Upgrade to IT system and IT equipment

Noted: that the Council's IT consultant had recommended that one laptop owned by the Council needed replacement due to age. He further recommended that the Council moved to Office 365 as its operating system for effectiveness and added security (**APC/19-20/3/5**).

RESOLVED: to approve the purchase of a new computer up to the value of £400 and to purchase Office 365 at a cost of £120, plus £79.99 per annum.

ACTION: Clerk

8 Bus shelters in Alrewas

- a Considered: a proposal from a local resident who had spoken in the Public Participation section of the meeting (**APC/19-20/3/6**).

RESOLVED: to refer the proposal to a meeting of a sub-group of Cllrs Pegg, Potter and Stanhope, who would report back to the September 2019 meeting.

ACTION: Cllrs Pegg, Potter and Stanhope

9 Traffic on the A38

- a Considered: the letter received from Highways England (**APC/19-20/3/7**). The matter would be pursued.
ACTION: Chair/Clerk

10 CCTV project

- a Considered: the detailed proposal for the installation of CCTV, as approved in principle at the last meeting, subject to a satisfactory technical report (**APC/19-20/3/8**).

RESOLVED: to pay for the installation of the CCTV system as detailed in the technical survey at four locations in the village, at a cost of up to £5,600.00 with annual running costs of £200.

ACTION: Clerk

11 Grant application from the Alrewas Arts Festival

- a Considered: a request from the Alrewas Arts Festival for a grant to support its work at the Festival in 2020 (**APC/19-20/3/9**).

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RESOLVED: to approve a grant of £400.00. The Arts Festival Committee would be asked to confirm which activity/ies the grant would support, and the money would be paid to the Arts Festival in the 2020-21 financial year. **ACTION: Clerk**

12 HS2 Grant Application

- a Considered: whether to make an application for a grant from HS2 Ltd to enhance facilities in Alrewas (**APC/19-20/3/10**). A working group would consider issues and report back with a proposal to the September meeting. The working group would be Cllrs Whatton (Chair), Altham, Pegg and Potter.

ACTION: Cllrs Whatton, Altham, Pegg, and Potter

13 Reports from working groups

- a Development Working Group – Dark Lane Construction

Considered: the report of the last meeting of the group (**APC/19-20/3/11**) and a verbal update from Cllr Pegg, Chair of the working group. The note regarding flooding risks was amended to read "may be increased" not "will be increased". Clarification was sought on the construction yard being created outside of the boundary of the site on land owned by the developers, as this had been designated as Open Green Space in the Neighbourhood Plan. Investigations of Section 106/CIL funding will be undertaken by the Parish Council through the Clerk liaising with LDC who are currently obtaining legal advice.

ACTION: Clerk

An ongoing concern was the access of the five houses in Dark Lane given the layout of the construction site. This would be raised with the Crest Nicholson site manager shortly.

ACTION: Clerk

- b Walkfield Working Group

Considered: whether to increase LDC litter picks and bin emptying during the school holidays and lighter evenings (**APC/19-20/3/12**).

RESOLVED: to pay for LDC to undertake a weekly litter pick and bin emptying service until the end of September 2019. The service would return to fortnightly until the beginning of November 2019. The service would then be reduced to every three weeks through to the beginning of March 2020, unless there was evidence that more regular picks and bin emptying were required. **ACTION: Clerk**

- c Tarmac Liaison Group

Considered: the report of the Tarmac Liaison Group meeting held on 21 June 2019 (**APC/19-20/3/13**). Cllr Potter requested direction from the Council on matters to raise at the next Liaison meeting. **ACTION: Cllrs**

It was reported that Tarmac were keen to offer support to the locality and could offer grants or a workforce to undertake work. Consideration of this would be added to the remit of the working group looking at the grant scheme offered by HS2. **ACTION: Cllrs Whatton, Altham, Pegg, and Potter**

14 Residents' complaints/requests

- a Noted: that a complaint had been received about lorries in Overly Lane. The Clerk had contacted SCC Highways concerning the matter.

- b Noted: that a complaint had been received from a resident about disabled access in Alrewas and the problems caused by traffic and parked cars. This was referred to the Traffic Management working group for a report to the September meeting.

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ACTION: Cllr Tolson

15 Police

a Noted: The Smart Alerts, already circulated.

16 Civic Society report

a Noted: that no meeting had been held since the last Parish Council meeting.

17 Planning decisions since the last meeting

a Noted: that LDC had approved one of the previously considered applications (**APC/19-20/3/14**).

18 Date of next council meeting

a It was agreed that the August 2019 meeting would not be held.

b The next meeting will be held on Monday 9 September 2019 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. The last date for notification of agenda items to the Clerk is **Thursday 29 August 2019**.

The meeting ended at 8.30pm.

Kathryn Powell,
Clerk,
10 July 2019

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**Chair/Vice
Chair**

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Date