

ALREWAS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 10 February 2020 in Alrewas Village Hall at 7.30pm

CONFIRMED

PRESENT Cllrs Dave Whatton (Chair), David Butcher, John Pegg, Janette Potter, Jane Reilly (Vice Chair), Margaret Stanhope

IN ATTENDANCE Cllr Janet Eagland, District Cllr Sonia Wilcox, Kathryn Powell, Clerk.

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

Noted: that the Tarmac suite would not be suitable for meetings and so the room layout for meetings would be changed to try and improve sound quality. **ACTION: Clerk**

1 Apologies

a Noted and accepted: Cllr Jan Altham (unwell), Cllr Denise Tolson (another meeting), Cllr Michael Wilcox (another meeting), District Cllr Derick Cross (meeting at LDC).

2 New Declarations of Interest

a Noted: that Cllr Reilly declared an interest in relation to planning application **20/00034/FUL** 41 Fox Lane.

3 Minutes

a **RESOLVED:** to approve the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council meeting held on 13 January 2020 as a true record. **(APC/19-20/8/M)**

b Considered and agreed: the updated Action Sheet **(APC/19-20/9/1)**. The Clerk was asked to further clarify the weight limit on Bagnalls Lock Bridge. Agreed: Actions for the Development group previously on a confidential action list would be included on the main action list. **ACTION: Clerk**

7 Public Participation

a Village residents:

A member of the public spoke in support of planning application 20/00034/FUH, 41 Fox Lane, noting the street view would remain unchanged and that the proposed new units would be below the height of neighbouring properties. Care would be taken to maintain and enhance the natural environment. The speaker was thanked for her comments and was advised that she could ask to speak at the LDC Planning Committee meeting if the proposal was considered.

b Report from District Councillors:

Noted: that District Cllr Michael Wilcox had maintained contact with Crest Nicholson (CN) and was disappointed that a proposed meeting to discuss problems had been cancelled by CN at short notice.

c Report from County Councillor:

E mails from the Cllr had been circulated by the Clerk. Noted: that the mini roundabout by the NMA had been damaged in an accident. The AstroTurf had been stolen from the surface. The Cllr had asked SCC Highways to return to using a telephone help line. The Cllr was taking up the issue of flooding on Main Street

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and asked for more information to help the householder. **ACTION: Chair and Clerk**

5 Planning matters

a **RESOLVED:** the following recommendations on planning applications:

20/00034/FUL 41 Fox Lane – noted an objection had been received from a local resident on health grounds and other concerns had been raised about extra traffic on Fox Lane. There was concern about the impact on the environment and the need for car ports was questioned. **RESOLVED:** to note the application and report comments to LDC.

20/00053/FUH 44 Micklehome Drive **RESOLVED:** to recommend approval

20/00035/ADV Land adjacent to Micklehome Drive – Green Acres Noted: that the sign had already been erected. LDC would be informed.

20/00098/FUH 62 Wellfield Road **RESOLVED:** to recommend approval

20/00107/FUH 5 The Cricketers **RESOLVED:** to approve

ACTION: Clerk

6 Financial statements

a **RESOLVED:** unanimously to approve the financial statement for January 2020 (**APC/19-20/9/3**).

b **RESOLVED:** unanimously to approve the Cheques for Payment list (**APC/19-20/9/4**).

c Considered: grant application for £750 from the Coltech Foundation for regenerating land by the river to be used as a community space (**APC/19-20/8/5**). The Council was pleased that this project was for community use. Noted: that dredging at the Mill Stream was the responsibility of Severn Trent. The Council recommended that the Foundation should contact them to discuss the proposal. The representative of the Foundation was asked to present the project to the Parish Council at its next meeting before a decision is made on the grant application.

ACTION: Clerk

7 Revised guidelines for Parish Council working groups

a **RESOLVED:** to approve the paper from the Clerk subject to minor changes (**APC/19-20/8/6**). **ACTION: Clerk**

8 Reports from working groups

a Development group

The group had not met since 9 December. It had not been possible to meet with CN. Discussions were ongoing with the Local Lead Flood Authority (LLFA) about the revised drainage plans. Noted: that full details of the planning application and supporting documents were not on the LDC planning website.

Noted: the problems relating to the ongoing construction and the attempts by Cllr Michael Wilcox to arrange a meeting with CN. It was hoped to hold the meeting in the coming week.

The cost of a flood consultant was being investigated.

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Agreed: that the Council would continue to try and liaise with CN. Agreed: that the Council would seek support from Michael Fabricant MP if a meeting with CN could not be held. **ACTION: Clerk**

b Walkfield

Noted: that the Cricket Club had obtained full funding for the new temporary pitch. Fields in Trust had confirmed that they did not need to take an interest in the development.

Request from a local football team to hire the football pitch (**APC/19-20/9/7**). **RESOLVED:** not to hire out the pitch to a non-village team. **ACTION: Clerk**

c Traffic Management Group

No meeting had been held.

d Neighbourhood Plan Implementation Group

A meeting of the group had been held on 6 February. It had identified four priorities: supporting the development of a railway station, the creation of a footbridge over the A38, improved lighting without causing light pollution and planting trees to enhance the environment, especially on the proposed wildflower meadow on the Green Acres site. It was hoped that the National Forest might support this. Noted: the Civic Society had started a tree planting scheme and the group was asked to liaise with them. **ACTION: Cllr Potter**

e Communications and external funding group

No meeting had been held.

f GDPR group

Noted: Confirmation that APC had re-registered with the Information Commissioner's Office.

9 Residents' Complaints/Requests

Noted: the following issues raised, and actions taken:

a Query about a parking sign in Broomhalls Croft: Clerk asked resident to report it to SCC

b Report of two attacks by dogs not on leads on Walkfield, one on dogs and one on a person who was bitten

c Praise for decision to fence the Walkfield Play area

d Request from Derbyshire Environmental Trust for an update on the use of the Walkfield Play area – compliance monitoring of use of grant from Tarmac Landfill Communities Fund – response sent by Clerk

e Complaint about overnight car parking on Walkfield – referred to Police by Clerk

f Query over the ownership of the noticeboard at the Pharmacy addressed

g Satisfactory risk assessment received from the Open Gardens group re public parking on Walkfield

10 Police

a Noted: The Smart Alerts, already circulated.

11 Civic Society report

a Noted: that the Society was continuing with its tree planting scheme.

12 Planning decisions since the last meeting

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a Noted **(APC/19-20/9/8)**.

13 Parish Council diary

a Past dates – none.

b Future dates
Safer Alrewas Open Forum 30 March 2020

Parish Assembly 27 April 2020

14 Date of next council meeting

The next meeting will be held on Monday 9 March 2020 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall. The last date for notification of agenda items to the Clerk is **Thursday 27 February 2020**.

The meeting ended at 8.45pm.

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

..... **Date**

Kathryn Powell, Clerk
11 February 2020