

ALREWAS PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Meeting of Alrewas Parish Council meeting held face to face on Monday 14 June 2021 at 7.30pm in Alrewas Village Hall

APC/21-22/3/M

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PRESENT Cllrs Dave Whatton (Chair), Cllrs Elizabeth Lawler, John Pegg, Janette Potter, Jane Reilly, Michael Wilcox

IN ATTENDANCE CCllr Janet Eagland, District Cllr Sonia Wilcox, Mr Stuart Threlfall (Chair of the Quarry Working Group, for agenda item 9a), Ms Kathryn Powell, Clerk (via Zoom), Mrs Jean Burton, Accounts Officer.

The Chair welcomed all participants, including members of the public who were observing, to the first face to face meeting for over twelve months, and noted the Covid 19 safety precautions in place for the meeting.

1. Apologies

a Received and accepted: Cllr Moss (health related), Cllr Tolson (caring responsibilities), District Cllr Cross (holiday), Cllr Butcher (health related), CCllr Eagland for late arrival due to a previous meeting at LDC.

2 New declarations of interest

a Noted: that Cllr Lawler has become a parent governor at All Saints School. She was congratulated on her appointment.

3. Minutes

a **RESOLVED:** to approve the Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on 5 May 2021 without amendment, as a true record. **(APC/21-22/AM/M)**.

RESOLVED: to approve the Minutes of the May 2021 meeting of the Parish Council held on 5 May 2021 without amendment, as a true record. **(APC/21-22/1/M)**.

b Considered: the updated Action Sheet **(APC/21-22/2/1)**.

RESOLVED: to order two new dual waste bins to be located on the canal bank at a cost of ??????. **ACTION: Clerk**

Considered: the quotation from LDC of £5200 + VAT for the replacement of the ornamental lock gates at the entrance to the village on the Kings Bromley Road. Noted: the Clerk has contacted the C&RT to see if the Parish Council can obtain old gates. It was agreed that this issue would be investigated further and discussed at a future meeting. **ACTION: Clerk**

4 Public Participation

a Noted: that Mr Threlfall's comments as Chair of the Quarry Working Group were considered under agenda item 9a.

Mr M Turner expressed concern about the possible development of the Parish Council owned land behind Inge Drive and Deepmoor Close, especially in relation to the possible building of three sheltered bungalows on the site or the creation of a car park for general use. Both would cause disruption to surrounding residents and

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destroy a valued piece of open land, rare in that part of the village. He was thanked for his comments.

Mr John Walton spoke about the Green Acres development, noting that he had submitted further objections to LDC Planners relating to the drainage proposals. He was thanked for his comments.

b District Cllrs:

Noted: District Cllr Michael Wilcox noted that LDC had developed a new initiative, the Councillor Local Community Fund, which would be reported on later on the agenda.

c County Cllr:

Noted: CCllr England reported that SCC were still considering the CEMEX quarry application and that she would support the village in their opposition to the development. She had sent other information to the Clerk for circulation to Cllrs.

5 Planning

- a Considered: planning applications from Lichfield District Council (**APC/21- 21/2/2**).

ENDORSED: the recommendations made by circulation due to LDC deadlines marked **.

RESOLVED: To make the following recommendations:

| Number | Applicant | Site | Proposal | Case Officer | Observations by | Parish Council rec | LDC decision |
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| 21/00465/FUH ** | Mr J Pratt | 7 Taylor Grove | Installation of 2 Velux roof lights and 1 gable end window | Sarah Atherton | 30 May 2021 | Approve | |
| 21/00614/LBC ** | Mr R Piper | Land at 122 Main Street | Works to listed building to allow farmhouse to be converted into four dwellings, conversion of outbuilding to form 2 dwellings, formation of a new car port to | Helen Sherratt | 3 June 2021 | Approve | |

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| | | | the site with a single dwelling to the first floor | | | | |
| 21/00613/FUL ** | Mr R Piper | Land at 122 Main Street | Works to listed building to allow farmhouse to be converted into four dwellings, conversion of outbuilding to form 2 dwellings, formation of a new car port to the site with a single dwelling to the first floor | Helen Sherratt | 3 June 2021 | Approve | |
| 21/00848/FUH ** | Mr R Kirkland | Overley House, Overley Lane | Proposed side and rear extension | Sarah Atherton | 3 June 2021 | Approve | |
| 21/00839/FUH ** | D & A Turner | The School House, 10a Mill End Lane | Erection of a single storey build to extend living space | Sarah Atherton | 5 June 2021 | Approve | |
| 21/00747/FUH ** | Mr R Richards | 154 Main Street | Erection of a two-storey extension | Sarah Atherton | 9 June 2021 | Approve | |

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| <p>20/01753/F UH</p> <p>(revised application)</p> <p>**</p> | <p>Mr G Cowie</p> | <p>19 Manor Fields</p> | <p>Installation of window & rooflights to bedroom, roof lights and shower room and reconfiguration of garden wall (part removal) with replacement post and rail fencing and erection of timber outbuilding.</p> | <p>Sarah Atherton</p> | <p>29 May 2021</p> | <p>Reject</p> | |
| <p>21/01005/F UH</p> | <p>Mr & Mrs Billington</p> | <p>2 William IV Rd</p> | <p>Single storey side extension to replace existing garage</p> | <p>Sarah Atherton</p> | <p>17 June 2021</p> | <p>Approve</p> | |

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| 21/01030/FUH | Mr & Mrs Wagner | 12 Oakfield Rd | Demolition of existing garage, erection of side extension forming garage, utility and garden room | Sarah Atherton | 25 June 2021 | Approve | |
| 21/1106/FUH | | 134 Main Street | | | | Refer to LDC Conservation Officer | |
| 21/00955/FUL | Mr R Kirkland | Overley House, Overley Lane | Conversion of existing workshop into domestic gym/games room serving existing dwelling | Karen Bentley | 27 June 2021 | Approve | |
| L.20.03.867/M | CEMEX | Land south of A513 at Orgreave | Sand and gravel extraction and associated factory – further paperwork submitted | SCC Matthew Griffin | 10 July 2021 | | Referred to Quarry Working Group meeting to draft letter |

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| | | | | | | | to SCC for approval by APC |
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ACTION: Clerk

6 Financial Statements

Mrs Burton, Accounts Officer, was thanked for her hard work on the annual accounts as reflected in the excellent outcome of the Internal Audit.

- a Considered: the Annual Report **APC/21-22/2/3** and letter from the Internal Auditor **APC/21-22/2/4**. The positive report and letter were noted and approved. The Clerk would respond to the Internal Auditor. **ACTION: Clerk**
- b **RESOLVED:** to approve that the statement in Section 1 of the AGAR that the Cllrs were satisfied that they had a sound system of internal control for accounting and that the statement could be signed on behalf of the Parish Council.
RESOLVED: to sign the Annual Governance Statement for the year ended 31 March 2021 **APC/21-22/2/5** **ACTION: Chair and Clerk**
- c **RESOLVED:** to approve signature of the Accounts for the year to 31 March 2021. **ACTION: Chair and Clerk**
- d **RESOLVED:** that the amount of the Chair's allowance in pursuance of Section 15(5) of the Local Government Act 1972 would remain unchanged from the previous year.
- e Appointment of Internal Auditor: The Parish Council noted Mrs Morris's comments about the length of her term of office but was satisfied that she is appropriately independent. **RESOLVED:** To re-appoint the Internal Auditor Mrs Sandie Morris for a further year. **ACTION: Clerk**
- f **RESOLVED:** that the bank signatories would remain unchanged, with the continuing requirement that at least one of the Chair or Vice Chair signs each cheque.

7 Accounts for April and May 2021

- a **RESOLVED:** to approve the Accounts for April 2021 **APC/21-22/2/6**.
- b **RESOLVED:** to approve the Accounts for May 2021 **APC/21-22/2/7**.

8 Cheques for payment

- a **RESOLVED:** to approve the Cheques for Payment list for June 2021 **APC/21-22/2/8**. **ACTION: Chair, Vice Chair and Clerk**
- b Noted: the Cheques for Payment list for May 2021 (**APC/21-22/2/9**). Cheques had been signed by the Chair and Vice Chair under delegated authority.

9 Reports from working groups

- a Quarry working group
Planning application L.20/03/867M – proposed quarry and cement factory at Orgreave
Considered: a verbal update from the Chair of the Quarry Working Group. Noted: that CEMEX had submitted further documents to SCC on the likely impact of the crossover of workings on HS2 phase 2 works and the proposed quarry workings. Given the SCC deadline for responses the working group would prepare a response to this documentation for approval by Cllrs by circulation. **ACTION: Working group**
LDC had commented on the new information.

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Agreed: that the SCC deadline for comments was very close to the proposed date for the Planning Meeting. Noted: the proposed date was not one of the advertised dates for a SCC Planning Meeting and the Parish Council would write to Cllr Willington, Chair of the SCC Planning Committee, to ask for the proposal to be put back to a scheduled SCC Planning Committee meeting. **ACTION: Clerk**

Cllrs Wilcox and Eagland would also speak to the Chair of the SCC Planning Committee. **ACTION: Cllrs Wilcox and Eagland**

Noted: that the next meeting of the Quarry working group would be held on 17 June 2021.

b Development working group - Green Acres at Alrewas

Considered: a verbal update from the Chair of the Development Working Group, Cllr Pegg. There had been no major developments since the last meeting, although Crest Nicholson had produced more documentation to support their planning application including for a revision to the design of some houses. The working group would develop a draft objection for approval by Cllrs by circulation, given the LDC deadline. It was regretted that the LLFA would not meet with representatives of the local community to discuss drainage concerns. It was noted that some residents had moved into some of the new houses and the Parish Council wished to represent all residents in the community.

Noted: the response from Crest Nicholson to queries from the Civic Society.

Agreed: the Development Working Group would meet during the week commencing 14 June. **ACTION: Cllr Pegg**

Considered: the notes of the meeting of the Development Working Group held on 20 May 2021 **APC/21-22/2/10**

c Neighbourhood Plan Implementation Working Group

Considered: a verbal update from the Chair of the NPIWG, Cllr Potter and the recommendation of the group **APC/21-22/2/12**. The group had considered three possibilities for the land by Inge Drive and Deepmoor Close: a car park, sheltered housing or a rewilding project. All supported the aims of the Neighbourhood Plan. Taking into account the views expressed on behalf of residents it was **RESOLVED** to develop the area as a wildlife area for residents to enjoy. Noted that the protection and enhancement of green spaces in the village was a priority in the Neighbourhood Plan. The area would be developed alongside the rewilding project near the Royal British Legion Club. **ACTION: Cllr Tolson**

Considered: the notes of the meeting of the NPIWG held on 20 May 2021 **APC/21-22/2/11**

10 Councillor Local Community Fund

a Considered: a report from Cllr Wilcox noting LDC had developed a fund for Ward Cllrs to support small projects in their wards. He would publicise the scheme locally so that local groups could apply for funding. **ACTION: Cllr Wilcox**

11 Request from All Saints' School

a To consider a request for £5000 from All Saints School for enhancing facilities. Agreed: the School would be asked to contact SCC Education to discuss the County's CIL monies allocated to the School which have not yet been used. **ACTION: Clerk**

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- b **RESOLVED:** to continue to present the annual cheque to All Saints School of £25 and £75 to John Taylor Academy. **ACTION: Accounts Officer**

12 Walkfield

- a Approved: a request from a resident for scrub to be cleared near her house on the edge of Walkfield. **ACTION: Clerk**

13 Alrewas Fryer

- a Approved: a request from the Alrewas Fryer to put tables and chairs outside the building during opening hours only. **ACTION: Clerk**

Matters for report

14 Update on planning applications

- a Noted: updates LDC decisions on planning applications since the last meeting **APC/21-22/2/13.**

15 Residents' comments/correspondence received since the last meeting

- a Noted: that correspondence included:
Clarification from the local RBL Branch that they have no objection to the wilding project
Updates from LDC re Covid 19 issues and support available
Updates from SCC on Covid 19 issues and support available
Information on fire safety from Staffordshire Fire and Rescue service
Information from Highway's England on planned works on A38
Information from LDC on the pedestrianisation survey for Lichfield city centre and a request for comments on the proposals for the city centre
Notification that the government's consultation report has been published relating to the results of the consultation under Clause 60 of the High-Speed Rail (West Midlands to Crewe) Act 2021 to which the Parish Council made a submission. The Consultation report is available on the Gov.Uk website. The Digest of appeal decisions and judgements, dated 19 May 2021, has been sent to the Clerk
Report from a resident of vandalism to property and antisocial behaviour reported to the Police by the Clerk
Statistics on work completed by SCC Highways provided by the CCllr
Objections from a resident of Deepmoor Close to possible proposals to build bungalows or a car park on the land behind the houses at Deepmoor Close/Inge Drive
Report of dangerous driving on Rykneld Street referred to the Traffic Management Group
Information from SCC on the schedule of works for repairing Chetwynd Bridge in 2021 and 2022
Information on the "20 is plenty" speed campaign referred to the Traffic Management Group
Information on LDC on the costs of fly tipping. **Agreed:** to propose that LDC holds a pilot project to reduce or cancel the charge for the collection of large items and see if it has an impact on the costs of clearing fly tipping. **ACTION: Clerk**

16 Police Smart Alerts (already circulated)

- a Noted: the alerts
b Noted: that the PCSO responded to complaints from the landowner about children swimming off Alrewas Island during half term week due to safety concerns.

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17 Update from the Civic Society

a Noted: that a response had been received from Crest Nicholson to some queries.

18 Parish Council Diary

Noted:

a Past dates - HS2 webinar 27 May 2021 and 1 June 2021 Cllr Potter and the Clerk participated
Cllr Lawler attended the D Day ceremony at the NMA on behalf of the Parish Council.

b Future Dates – 17 June 2021 LDC Parish Forum - cancelled

19 Date of the next Parish Council Meeting

a Noted: that the next meeting will be held on 12 July 2021 at 7.30pm.

b Noted: that the agenda deadline is 1 July 2021.

Kathryn Powell,
Clerk,
Alrewas Parish Council,
15 June 2021.
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