

Parish Council of Alfrick and Lulsley

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on Thursday 24th November 2016 at 19:30hrs in the Village Hall, Alfrick.

Present:

Cllr Miss L Randall, Chair.

Cllrs; Ms B Brown, A G Cooper, A J Crockford, B Fishwick, B Martin, E Mutter, G Lowe, N Tudge.
Dist. Cllr A Warburton, County Cllr P Tuthill, G M Brewin (Clerk), D Bradley (Parish Tree Warden),

Apologies; Dist. Cllr Ms S Rouse,

Visitors; none

Reports:

County and District Councillors, Footpaths' Warden, Tree Warden, Village Hall, Community Shop.

There were verbal reports from:

County Cllr P Tuthill, Dist. Cllr A Warburton, Cllr G Lowe, Parish Paths Warden,

Cllr B Fishwick Village Hall representative, D Bradley (Parish Tree Warden)

The formal meeting commenced at 7:55pm

AGENDA

1.

Members' Apologies for absence

All members were present.

2.

Members' Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest in agenda items.

3.

Confirm the minutes of the Meeting held 27th October 2016

These had been circulated in advance, were agreed as a true record and signed by the chair.

4.

Financial Matters;

- a) Approve payment - R Lambert, VAS maintenance £10.00 - Approved
- b) Approve payment - Grant Thornton - Audit fee, £120 inc vat - Approved
- c) Establish a committee to consider expenditure in 2017-8, and propose a budget and precept for approval at the January meeting. It was agreed that Cllrs Randall, Cooper and Martin would form this committee.

5.

Planning Matters

None

6.

Litter Bins

- a) Rescission of Previous Resolution - In accordance with the council's standing orders, to decide to re-open the decision (within six months) on the provision of litter bins in the parish previously resolved at the meeting on 30/6/16 - It was agreed unanimously to re-open the decision.
- b) If a) above is agreed, to establish a committee to decide on the location and specification of such bin(s). It was agreed that Cllrs Randall, Cooper and Martin would form this committee.

7.

Malvern Hills Community Awards 2016

Members' proposals. None had been made.

8.

Lengthsman

Clerk to report: There had been one offer to take up the remainder of the current year's contract. Mr J Garness, who had taken on some of the staff made redundant by the death of Mr R Thomas and the closing of his business, had expressed an interest. It was agreed that the clerk should contact Mr Garness and subject to a suitable quotation on costs involved should agree the remainder of the contract to the end of the financial year.

9.

Clerk's Report -

- a) Actions from the previous meetings
 - i) War Memorial,
He was still working on obtaining a grant towards the cost of this renovation.
 - ii) Playing Field Pavillon,
He had received a quotation for £780.00. Cllr N Tudge said that if the council would cover the cost of a refuse skip he would undertake the demolition at no additional cost to the council.
This offer was gratefully accepted.
 - iii) Jubilee Plantation
He had sent a formal order to Mr N Denley and this work would be done shortly at a cost of £460.00.
- b) Correspondence received.
Members' attention was drawn to the latest Broadband Newsletter showing that some locations in the parish were now linked to the fibre-broadband network and members could now check with their individual suppliers to see what services were available.
Members' attention was drawn also to the latest parish profiles available from MHDC.
- c) Items drawn to the council's attention.
 - i) Bus Shelter at Alfrick Pound. According to the plaque in the shelter the council has owned this since 1953. He asked members to visit it and give proposals as to its renovation, at the January meeting.
 - ii) Instructions had been given for a contractor to spend up to 16 hours clearing the Alfrick Pound at the beginning of Winter.

10.

Items for the next meeting.

Budget and precept for 2017-8
Alfrick Pound Bus Shelter
Litter Bins

11.

Confirm the date of the next meeting;

Thursday 26th January 2017 at 19:30 hrs. in the Village Hall, Alfrick proposed.
Agreed.

The meeting closed at 9:00pm

Minutes confirmed

26th January 2017

