

## **Parish Council of Alfrick and Lulsley**

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 19<sup>th</sup> April 2011 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Alfrick.**

### **Present:**

Mrs S Tolley,

Messrs; P Brown, A G Cooper, S V Glazzard, G Lowe, P Tebbit, G M Brewin (Clerk).

**Apologies;** Cllrs: B Fishwick, R Jackson, C Williams, C Smith (County Councillor), D Hughes (District Councillor), A Warburton (District Councillor).

**Visitors:** Dr D Bradley (Parish Tree Warden).

**Public Question Time prior to the formal meeting; (see appendix -a)**

**The formal meeting began at 7.30pm.**

In the absence of the Chairman Cllr Mrs C Williams the Vice-Chairman Cllr P Tebbit took the chair.

### **1. Members' Apologies for absence**

The apologies for absence from Cllr s Mrs C Williams, B Fishwick and R Jackson were accepted.

### **2. Members' Declarations of Interest.**

There were no declarations of interest in agenda items

### **3. Reports; County & District Councillors, Parish Footpaths' Warden, Parish Tree Warden, Village Hall Representative.**

See appendix -b

### **4. Confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> March 2011**

These had been circulated in advance, they were approved as a correct record and signed by the chairman.

### **5. Financial Matters;**

- a) Confirm the Council's Accounts for 2010-11 - Details circulated in advance.

These were confirmed – subject to a correction to the 'Lengthsman Income' of £100 which had not been included.

- b) Confirm Clerk's Payments; Lengthsman - £739.71 and K&D PC - £241

Confirmed

- c) Approve Payment; Worcs. CALC Annual Subscription - £294.52

Agreed

- d) Approve Payment; Rate Relief to Village Shop - £108.25

Agreed - 'In pursuance of the power conferred by Section 137 of the Local Government Act 1972

(as amended) and being of the opinion that the expenditure satisfies the requirements of that section, the council agrees that this business is of benefit to the local community and it would be reasonable to grant the relief, and the Parish Council agrees to make the financial contribution of £108.25, so that the full 50% Discretionary Relief may be awarded.'

- e) Approve Payment; Alfrick Village Hall (3 Meetings) - £18

This invoice had not been submitted the payment was held over to the next meeting

- f) Approve Payment; Clerk's Expenses Jan-March 2011 - £189.02

Agreed

**6. Planning Matters; None**

**7. Village Shop Committee**

Cllr Tebbit reported that the proposed sale of the Village Shop and Post Office had fallen through so it was necessary to re-convene the committee as soon as possible. It was agreed that Wednesday 4<sup>th</sup> May at 7.30 in the Village Hall was the most appropriate date and the clerk asked to make the necessary arrangements.

**8. Review - Consultation on Bus Services**

It was noted that following a substantial number of objections to the WCC proposals the review of Bus Services was being reconsidered.

**9. Confirm the Spring Newsletter; Draft circulated in advance.**

Subject to a change to the text reflecting the situation regarding the Village Shop and the inclusion of the members of the new council from 6<sup>th</sup> May this was approved.

**10. Clerk's Report -**

a) Actions from the previous meeting:

He was still trying to obtain a suitable quotation for the repair of the surround to the War Memorial.

As the football season on the Playing Field had now finished he would inspect the playing surface with regard to re-seeding, maintenance, etc.

b) Correspondence & Publications Received

The clerk drew members' attention to the following:

WCC Highways - 2011-12 Lengthsman Scheme

WCC Waste Core Strategy – Publication

**11. Items for the next meeting.**

The May Meeting is the Annual Meeting of the Council

Review the situation regarding the Village Shop and Post Office.

**12. Confirm the date of the next meeting;**

17/5/2011 at 19:30 hrs. in the Village Hall, Alfrick.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm

**Chairman .....**