

Parish Council of Alfrick and Lulsley

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on 16th September 2014 at 19:30hrs in the Village Hall, Alfrick.

Present:

Miss L Randall, Chair.

Mrs D Jammal, Messrs: P Brown, A G Cooper, A J Crockford, G Lowe, B Martin, P Tuthill, (County Councillor), A Warburton (District Councillor), D Bradley (Parish Tree Warden), G M Brewin (Clerk)
Seven parishioners

Apologies:

Mrs C Williams, B Fishwick, D Hughes (District Councillor),

Public Question Time prior to the formal meeting;

There was a wide-ranging exchange of views and information on the planning applications in Clay Green Farm and Folly Road.

Reports:

Cllr P Tuthill reported on further developments on the cost reductions at County Hall, the widening of the Worcester Southern Relief Road and progress on the proposed Parkway railway station at Norton.

Cllr A Warburton reported on the developing process of up-dating the draft SWDP.

There were verbal reports from Cllr G Lowe, Parish Paths Warden, Dr D Bradley (Parish Tree Warden) and Cllr B Martin Community Shop Representative.

The formal meeting commenced at 8:55pm

AGENDA

1.

Members' Apologies for absence

The apologies from Cllrs Mrs C Williams and B Fishwick, were accepted.

2.

Members' Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest in agenda items.

3.

Confirm the minutes of the meetings held on Tuesday 15th July and Tuesday 26th August 2014

Both had been circulated in advance, were agreed as true records and signed by the chair.

The clerk noted that the two appendices to the meeting on 26th August were very large and had not been circulated as part of the draft minutes as they had been circulated previously. They will be included in the final published minutes of that meeting.

4.

Financial Matters;

- a) Approve payment – Alfrick Village Hall – Meetings Jan 2013 – July 2014, £336.00. - Agreed
- b) Approve payment – Grant Thornton – Audit 2013-14, £120.00 inc vat. - Agreed
- c) Note – Clerk's Delegated Payments - A R Thomas War Memorial, £256.80 inc vat - Noted
- A R Thomas Playing Field, April - July £285.60 inc vat - Noted
- d) Note Auditor's Report – Accounts 2013-14 an 'Unqualified Report' was given. - Noted
- e) The clerk asked to make a 'Delegated Payment' to Robert West Consultants of £600.00 inc vat for advisory work on the Folly Road Junction, to be formally noted at the next meeting. - Agreed

5.

Planning and Environmental Matters;

- a) Clerk to report – Folly Road and Clay Green Farm, Planning Developments
The clerk reported that he had re-sent the council's response to the two planning applications covered by the extra-ordinary meeting of 26th August. Following on from comments made by County Cllr P Tuthill, with the council's agreement he would request a site meeting with WCC Highways engineers and the Highways Portfolio holder Cll J Smith to review the configuration of the Folly Road/C2065 road junction and the suggestion that the WCC Highways review for the current planning applications would be less stringent than that when last reviewed in 2001. This was agreed.
- b) Respond to 14/01000/FUL Installation of new sewerage treatment system 1, Barn Cottage, Lulsley,
It was agreed that the council would support this application.

- c) Note Clerk's Delegated Response, 14/00313/HOU - Oast House, Knapp Farm, Alfrick, 'No comment'.
Noted.

6.

Community Planning Advisory Group

Cllr A Cooper reported that some 114 returns had come in following the questionnaire the 'group' had circulated in July. These would be processed at the next meeting on 8th October. On that date the correspondence from Mr P Tebbit relating to the council's acceptance of the group's recommendations regarding the Neighbourhood Plan would also be considered.

Cllr Cooper recommended that the clerk should write to MHDC Development Control recommending that details of the District Council's 5-year Land Supply should be published quarterly. This was agreed.

7.

Picnic Tables on the Playing Field - ref minute – 12 (i. 20/05/14

It was agreed that the two picnic tables would be located on the righthand side of the main gate. The clerk would arrange the formal quotation for supplying and installing with ground locking security.

8.

Clerk's Report -

- a) Actions from the previous meeting: VAS Speed Camera I Leigh and Bransford have now purchased their own VAS camera system leaving the original unit to be shared between Alfrick and Lulsley, and Suckley. He would be working with Suckley Parish Clerk on the abstraction and presentation of individual vehicle speeds.
- b) Correspondence Received. He drew members' attention to the WCC Parish Conference on Oct 29th
- c) Items drawn to the council's attention. New proposals for Quality Parish Status are being considered. Would the council consider re-applying?

9.

Items for the next meeting.

6, 7, 8 c) above. Autumn Newsletter.

10.

Confirm the date of the next meeting; 21/10/2014 at 19:30 hrs. in the Village Hall, Alfrick.

Agreed.

The meeting closed at 9:40pm.

Minutes Confirmed

Chairman.....

21/10/2014