

Parish Of Alfrick And Lulsley

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 16th June 2009 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Alfrick.

Present:

Chairman; Mrs C Williams

Mrs S Tolley

Messrs; A G Cooper, S V Glazzard, B Fishwick, R Jackson, P Tebbit, C Smith (County Councillor), A Warburton (District Councillor), G M Brewin (Clerk),

Apologies:

P Brown, G Lowe, D Hughes (District Councillor),

Visitors:

None

Public Question Time prior to the formal meeting:

appendix -a - None

The formal meeting began at 7.30pm.

1. Apologies for absence from members.

The apologies from Cllrs P Brown and G Lowe were accepted.

2. Members' declarations of interest.

Cllr Mrs S Tolley declared a prejudicial interest in agenda item 6 (b).

3. Reports; County & District Councillors, Parish Footpaths' Warden. Parish Tree Warden.

Reports; County and District Councillors, Parish Paths Warden, Parish Tree Warden, Village Hall Committee Member; See appendix - b

4. Confirm the minutes of the annual meeting held on Tuesday 19th May 2009 circulated in advance.

These were approved as a correct record and signed by the chairman.

5. Financial Matters;

- a) Approve - Statement of Accounts for 2008-9 and Annual Governance Statement. (Copies of the Governance Statement had been circulated in advance.) Approved
- b) Approve payment - D Bradley, Jubilee Ptn Tree Labels £29.90. Approved
- c) Note Clerk's delegated action payments;
Alfrick Village Stores - £30.65 (Annual Parish Meeting refreshments)
Alfrick Village Hall - £197 (Council meetings 2008-9)
Both noted

6. Planning Matters; Note Clerk's delegated action responses;

- a) 09/00627/FUL - Solar Panel & Pump etc, Paper Mill Cottage Alfrick 'No Comment'
- b) 09/00678/FUL - Conversion of a redundant building to two residential dwellings at Grange Farm -
'This council supports this application which would bring back into use a building which is currently redundant'
- c) 09/01374/FUL - Stables at Alfrick Court. 'No Comment'
All noted.

7. 7. Proposal - To use the Parish Council website at WCC -My Parish to include 'Sales and Wants'

Cllr B Fishwick proposed that this would enable parishioners to sell, exchange or dispose of relatively low-value items they no longer needed but which could still be useful, rather than disposing of them in council refuse.

The subsequent discussion led to the following guidelines;

- a) No admission of liability by the council - it would be up to interested parties to make contact and conclude their individual arrangements with each other.
- b) Private matters only (No trade advertising).
- c) A time limit of one month on each entry.
- d) To run for a limited period only - the council would review this at the March 2010 meeting.

The clerk would announce this in the Summer Newsletter to be published at the next meeting.

8. Report; Sphere Taxi/Bus project; Cllr C Williams

Cllr Williams said that the Sphere Taxi committee would hold its final meeting on 24th June when the project would be ended. Members discussed the history of the project which started in late 2004 and considered that it could be useful for the Sphere Taxi Committee to remain together in some form to keep the matter of local community transport alive. Cllr Williams said she would convey the council's ideas to the meeting on 24th June.

9. Report; The informal group on Housing and Planning matters.

To be held over to the July meeting.

10. Clerk's Report - Correspondence & Publications Received - circulated in advance

The clerk drew members' attention to the following items;

From	Subject
Came & Co	Council Insurance confirmation
WCC	New Countryside Access Officer
HSBC	Current Acct £2885.15 balance at 14/05 -

HSBC Account - He would arrange to transfer funds to bring this up to £5000 again

He had been unable so far to obtain additional quotations for the work on the gateway to the playing field and would continue searching for one.

He had written to the chief Executive of Elgar Housing but had yet to receive a reply on the matter of the hedge in front of Chapel Meadow houses.

He has discussed the matter of the gateway at Upper House Crossroads with MHDC Planning Officers who were in the process of enforcing the current refusal of the retrospective application for the track from this gate to the site of the proposed stables. The gateway could not be closed off until the stables - the subject of a granted application were constructed.

He had advised WCC Highways about the poor state of the roadway in Whitehouse Lane and the damaged road-signs in the parish and was awaiting action.

11. Items for the next meeting.

- a) Approve the July Newsletter
- b) Improved drainage for the Playing Field Gateway
- c) Parish Design Statement.

12. Confirm the date of the next meeting; -

Tuesday 21st July 2009 in the Village Hall Knightwick.

The meeting ended at 8.35pm

Please note - until the building work on Alfrick Village Hall is completed all meetings will be at Knightwick Village Hall at the foot of Ankerdine Hill.

Chairman

e. H. Williams

21/7/2009