

The Parish Council of Alfrick and Lulsley

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on Tuesday, 21st February 2012 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Alfrick.

Present:

Chairman – Cllr Mrs C Williams

Miss L Randall,

Messrs; P Brown, B Fishwick, S V Glazzard, G Lowe, B Martin, P Tebbit, Dr D Bradley (Parish Tree Warden),
G M Brewin (Clerk),

Apologies; Cllr A G Cooper, D Hughes (District Councillor), A Warburton (District Councillor)

Visitors – Mr J Robinson

Public Questions prior to the formal meeting see appendix a; - none

The formal meeting began at 7.30pm

1. Members' Apologies for absence.

The apology from Cllr A G Cooper was accepted.

2. Members' Declarations of Interest.

None

3. Reports; County & District Cllrs, Footpaths' Warden, Tree Warden, Village Hall, Community Shop. see appendix b;

4. Confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 17/1/2012

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

5. Financial Matters;

a) Confirm the status of the council's £100 x £10 shares in the Community Shop.

It was agreed that as these shares were not tradeable commodities they should be accounted as a current account donation to the Community Shop.

b) Consider a request for support from Malvern Hills Citizens Advice Bureau:

Acting as Trustees of the Old Storridge Allotment Charity a donation of £200 was agreed.

The clerk would arrange this.

c) Pay – Lengthsman's Account; This had not been presented and was held over to the next meeting.

6. Planning Matters;

Consider a response to;

Planning Application 12/00153/FUL, Change of use of land to domestic curtilage and conversion of stables to ancillary accommodation. Wheatley Cottage, Folly Road, Alfrick, Worcestershire, WR6 5HN

It was agreed to recommend approval of this application.

7. Informal Planning Group; Progress on the development of a neighbourhood plan;

The report circulated in advance was discussed in detail. The report was formally agreed and the Informal Planning Group was asked to proceed as set out in the report. See appendix c.

It was noted that Cllrs S Glazzard and P Tebbit will be attending a Joint LGA & NALC seminar - 'Strictly Localism' on Thursday 22nd March 2012 in Birmingham.

8. Locations of Speed Cameras; Clerk to report on progress.

The clerk had attended a meeting with representatives of Suckley Parish, Leigh and Bransford Parish and WCC Highways. The VAS equipment had been purchased and was handed over to the Lengthsman who covered the other two parishes. He will also be responsible for installing and servicing the two sites so far agreed in Alfrick and Leigh. The schedule of locations/dates around the three parishes is attached as appendix d.

9. Heating Oil Syndicate; Clerk to report

In addition to publicising this in the Newsletter details were included in the March edition of the Sphere magazine. So far eight expressions of interest had been received. Cllr P Tebbit is liaising with Leigh and Bransford on this.

10. Response to Martley Broadband presentation; Clerk to report

In addition to publicising this in the Newsletter details were included in the March edition of the Sphere magazine. So far six expressions of interest had been received. He would wait for responses from Sphere readers before progressing this.

11. Report on Councillor Training seminars – Cllr B Martin

Cllr Martin commented on the high quality of both training sessions organised by WCALC that he had attended in December and January.

12. Appoint a representative to the Suckley Charities.

Cllr C Williams agreed to represent the Parish Council.

13. Clerk's Report - a) Actions from the previous meeting: b) Correspondence Received

a) The clerk confirmed that all actions from the January meeting had been completed.

The cost of the new method of posting the Newsletter was £162. This would be reduced in the future by distributing emailed versions to those who have broadband facilities. He suggested the council consider reducing the frequency to every six months to maintain a reasonable yearly cost.

b) In response to a proposal from WCC that the council foregoes the routine notifications of the implementation of Temporary Traffic Regulation Notices the council agreed that this would be acceptable.

There would be a need for a new/relocated noticeboard when the conversion of the old Village Shop begins. He would obtain quotations for this.

He proposed that the 2012 Annual Parish Meeting be held on Wednesday 9th May. This was agreed.

14. Items for the next meeting.

a) Approve the Spring Newsletter

b) Notice Board (see 13 above)

c) Neighbourhood Plan progress.

15. Confirm the date of the next meeting; -

20/03/2012 at 19:30 hrs. in the Village Hall, Alfrick.

The meeting closed at 8:58pm.



Chairman

20/3/2012