Parish of Alfrick and Lulsley

Minutes of the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council held on Tuesday 19th May 2009 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Alfrick.

Present:

Cllr Mrs C Williams, Chairman.

Cllrs Mrs S Tolley, Messrs; P Brown, A Cooper, B Fishwick, S Glazzard, R Jackson, G Lowe, P Tebbit, G M Brewin (Clerk).

Apologies:

<u>Visitors:</u> Dr D Bradley - Parish Tree Warden.

Public Question Time prior to the formal meeting; None

The formal meeting began at 7.30pm.

1. To accept nominations and appoint a Chairman

Cllr G Lowe nominated Cllr Mrs C Williams. There were no other nominations.

In accepting the nomination Mrs Williams thanked the members and clerk for their support over the past year and signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office. (see appendix - a)

2. To accept nominations and appoint a Vice-Chairman

Cllr Mrs C Williams nominated Cllr P Tebbit. There were no other nominations.

Cllr Tebbit accepted the nomination as Vice-Chairman.

3. Apologies for Absence.

All members were present.

4. Members Declarations of Interest.

There were no declarations of interest in agenda items.

5. Appoint councillors to committees etc; -

a) Informal Housing Group and confirm terms of reference;

Cllrs R Jackson, P Brown, B Fishwick, P Tebbit, proposed. Agreed. (Revised Terms of Reference would be proposed at the next meeting)

b) Sphere Taxi Committee.

Cllr Mrs C Williams, Agreed.

c) Designate consultees on Planning Matters.

Applications in Alfrick; Cllrs B Fishwick, R Jackson; Alfrick Pound and Old Storridge, Cllr Mrs S Tolley, G Lowe; Lulsley, Cllrs Mrs C Williams, P Brown, proposed. Agreed.

6. Appoint representatives to external organisations;

a) Village Hall Committee;

Cllr B Fishwick was proposed. Agreed.

b) 2 representatives to serve on the WCALC Area Meeting.

Cllrs Mrs S Tolley and P Tebbit proposed. Agreed.

c) Alfrick Charities Trustees;

G M Brewin, P Brown, P Gilbert, L Higginson. Proposed. Agreed.

7. Allocation of Parish Plan Portfolios

The following arrangements were agreed.

Cllrs Mrs C Williams - (Recreation, Leisure & Communication), S Tolley (Young People)

Cllrs; P Brown (Environment), B J Fishwick (Village Hall Liaison), S V Glazzard (Highways), A Cooper (Highways), R Jackson (Planning & Statistics), G Lowe (Environment), P R Tebbit (Planning & Health)

8. Confirm the minutes of the monthly meeting held 15/4/08 and Risk Assessment .

The minutes of the meeting on 21st April 2009 and the Risk Assessment reviewed at that meeting, circulated in advance, were approved as correct records and signed by the chairman.

9. Financial Matters

- a) Confirm Clerk's salary and hours of work for 2008-9 (NALC SCP26 £11.435/hr, 304hrs/yr) Agreed
- b) Confirm payment, Council Insurance Premium; quotations received Allianz-£645.21, Came & Co (Norwich Union) £510.37 After a discussion it was agreed to accept the proposal by Came and Co for a 3 year contract with Norwich Union at £484.85/yr.
- c) Confirm Payment, WCALC, Membership Subscription, £245.31+vat £277.57 Agreed

10. Planning Matters

Consider a response to 09/00590/FUL - Remove masonry from disused railway bridge - Lulsley The council had considered a similar application at a previous meeting; the same response viz. 'No objection, it was suggested that the revised surfaces are planted with environmentally appropriate vegetation. As this work is likely to cause a road closure the time to complete this should be kept to a minimum.' - agreed.

11. Correspondence & Publications Received

The clerk drew members' attention to the following items;

Equality Rights Comsn Briefing - Public Sector Duties

Info Commissioner Freedom of Information Brief and DVD

WCC Worcs Warden Newsletter etc
MHDC First Half/Yr Precept £4500

WCALC Update email 09-11 WCALC Update email 09-13

WCC Environmental Services Information Bulletin

WCC Lengthsman Scheme - overspend Alfrick V hall Invoice - meeting charges 2008-9, £197

Lloyds TSB Current Acct - £7948.04

Alfrick Stores Invoice - Annual Parish Meeting - £30.65

A R Thomas Quotation - Drainage at Playing Field Gateway £953

MH-AONB Meeting Agenda, Minutes etc Dr D Bradley Tree Warden's Report

He would arrange to pay the invoices which arrived too late to be included as agenda items, under the delegated actions procedure, he would obtain additional quotations for the work on the gateway to the playing field and would arrange with the Tree Warden to cover the costs of applying identification plaques to the trees in the Jubilee Plantation. Following complains from the residents of Chapel Meadow he would raise their concerns with Elgar Housing Association, he would raise the matter of the gateway at Upper House Crossroads with MHDC Planning Office and WCC Highways and report again the poor state of the roadway in Whitehouse Lane.

12. Items for the next meeting

- a) Playing Field Gateway Work
- b) Confirm delegated action payments
- c) Clerks actions from the previous meeting.

13. Confirm the date of the next meeting -

16th June 2009 at 7.30pm, Alfrick Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 8.29pm

Chairman...