

Parish Council of Alfrick and Lulsley

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on Tuesday 25th February 2016 at 19:30hrs in the Village Hall, Alfrick.

Present:

Cllr Miss L Randall, Chair.

Cllrs; Mrs D Jammal, P Brown, B Fishwick, B Martin, G Lowe, E Mutter,

D Bradley (Parish Tree Warden), G M Brewin (Clerk), Dist Cllr Ms S Rouse, Dist. Cllr A Warburton.

Apologies; Cllrs A G Cooper, A J Crockford, County Cllr P Tuthill, Dr D Bradley (Parish Tree Warden)

Visitors; One parishioner.

Public Questions prior to the formal meeting;

The matter of work planned in Jubilee Plantation was raised. The clerk would provide a copy of the planning application by the end of the following day.

Reports:

There were verbal reports from:

Dist Cllr Ms S Rouse, Cllr G Lowe, Parish Paths Warden, Cllr B Fishwick, Village Hall Representative, Cllr B Martin, Community Shop Representative.

In sending his apologies, Dr D Bradley (Parish Tree Warden) had sent the following report:

A Planning application was submitted to MHDC on 28th January 2016 to allow some work to be carried out at Jubilee Plantation. I requested permission for 2 trees to be felled and 2 branches on other trees to be lopped. These are all trees close to "Field End" and which have the effect of reducing sunlight to this and other neighbouring properties. In order for this application to have a better chance of getting approval I have encouraged local residents to comment and so far four supportive comments have been submitted.

The chances are that Chris Lewis Farley will refuse the application and therefore I would request that our District Councillors take it to committee.

The formal meeting commenced at 8:22pm

AGENDA

1.

Members' Apologies for absence

The apologies from Cllrs A G Cooper and A Crockford were accepted.

2.

Members' Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest in agenda items.

3.

Confirm the minutes of the monthly meeting held on Thursday 28th January 2016

These had been circulated in advance, were agreed as a true record and signed by the chair.

4.

Financial Matters;

- a) The clerk to make a statement on the council's opt out of the new audit arrangements with the Sector- Led Body and requests the council to rescind the decision ref minute 4,b - 28/01/2016.
The clerk explained that he had misunderstood the procedure for appointing an external auditor under the new audit arrangements. Following a discussion with the 'Sector-Led' auditing body it was preferable to remain in the existing arrangements and make a declaration as exempt from external audit each year.
The council agreed to the clerk's request to rescind minute 4,b - 28/01/2016.
- b) Approve payment - R Lambert - VAS Meter maintenance - £35.00 - Agreed

5.

Planning and Environmental Matters; -

- a) Review status and actions ref. Clay Green Farm Planning Appeal.
It was agreed that Mr R Brunt of Robert West Consulting would put the case against the Folly Road/C2065 junction as at the previous hearing (taking into account the latest Greenlight submission).
However the timing is not clear at present. He would need to be at the Council House Malvern at 10:00 hrs on 8th March to register to speak. The timetable for the various subjects would be known then.
It was expected that he will need to allocate two days at the most.
Cllrs L Randall, B Fishwick and B Martin would attend.

- b) Respond to Planning application 16/00270/HOU - Proposed single storey extension Ravens Cottage, Lulsley, It was agreed to support this application.

6.

Working with Leigh and Bransford Parish Council on a Joint Neighbourhood Plan.

Chair to report. Data on the local environment was being collected and would be reviewed shortly.

7.

Clerk's Report -

- a) Actions from the previous meeting
 - Litter Bins - can be replaced easily by similar but more robust versions. It was agreed to replace both.
 - Table Tennis equipment. The cheque for this was ready for signature.
 - Newsletter - he was asked to include the 'Sphere' in the dissemination of council news.
- b) Correspondence received. This had been circulated by email.
- c) Items drawn to the council's attention.
 - The Winter work on drains and ditches had been completed.

8.

Items for the next meeting.

The clerk was asked to open discussions with the landowner/developer of Chapel Meadow now that some preliminary work was under way.

9.

Confirm the date of the next meeting;

Thursday 24th March 2016 at 19:30 hrs. in the Village Hall, Alfrick was agreed.

The meeting closed at 9:00pm

Minutes confirmed.....

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