

Parish Council of Alfrick and Lulsley

Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council on Thursday 27th April 2017 at 19:30hrs in the Village Hall, Alfrick.

Present: Cllr Miss L Randall, Chair

Cllrs; Ms B Brown, A G Cooper, A Crockford, B Fishwick, B Martin, N Tudge.

Dist. Cllr S Rouse, Dist. Cllr A Warburton, County Cllr P Tuthill, G M Brewin (Clerk),

D Bradley (Parish Tree Warden),

Apologies; G Lowe, E Mutter

Visitors; One parishioner. Ms Alice Spearing, Engagement Officer St Richard's Hospice,

Informal questions -

The matter of the removal of a hedge to improve access to the Clay Green Farm development was raised. Councillors agreed to help in resolving this dispute by raising this with the developers who were holding an informal presentation the following day.

Ms Alice Spearing gave a presentation on the outreach work of the hospice and asked for the council's support in drawing this to the attention of the wider community.

Reports:

There were verbal reports from: County Cllr P Tuthill, Dist. Cllr S Rouse & Dist. Cllr A Warburton, Cllr B Fishwick Village Hall representative, D Bradley (Parish Tree Warden) Village Shop representative B Martin, Cllr G Lowe, Parish Footpaths Warden. In sending his apologies reported; A path in Blackhouse Wood which is the last bit of the path from White House Farm, has been reported that the path has all but been obliterated by tree felling and he has been asked to inspect it.

The formal meeting commenced at 20:35 hrs.

AGENDA

1.

Members' Apologies for absence

The apologies from Cllrs G Lowe & E Mutter were accepted.

2.

Members' Declarations of Interest

There were no Declarations of Interest in agenda items.

3.

Confirm the minutes of the Meeting held on 23rd March 2017

These had been circulated in advance. It was noted that although Cllr A Crockford had attended he was not listed as such. It was agreed that, subject to the clerk correcting and re-issuing page 2017-05, the minutes were a true record and signed by the chair.

4.

Financial Matters;

- a) Approve the Council's Accounts 2016-7 - Circulated in advance. Approved - see appendix a
- b) Approve the formal Annual Governance Statement 2016-7 - Circulated in advance. Approved
- c) Approve the formal Annual Statement of Accounts 2016-7 - Circulated in advance. Approved
- d) Approve payment - Council's Membership Fee WCALC - £388.37 inc vat Approved
- e) Approve payment - Council's Insurance, Came & Co £525.61 Approved
- f) Approve payment - Village Hall - Meeting expenses 2016-7 £120.00 Approved

5.

Planning and Environmental Matters; -

- a) Clay Green Farm development - Members would attend the presentation by the developers and report at the next meeting.
- b) Chapel Meadow development - Now that the reserved matters had been approved and construction was expected to commence in the next few weeks it was agreed that Cllr A Cooper would act as the council's contact with the site management on day-to-day matters.

6.

Litter Bins

Consider the proposals of the committee on the location and specification of such bin(s).

Cllr A Cooper would make proposals for specific types of bin at the next meeting.

7.

Bus shelter at Alfrick Pound

Discuss condition and decide on any action needed.

It was agreed that Cllr N Tudge would replace the broken glass in the window and give a general refurbishment to the interior at the council's expense. (*note - After inspection it was agreed that the window, which was covered by shrubs on the outside, would be boarded-up.*)

8.

Lengthsman

Clerk to report.

Mr R Wilks of New House Nurseries, Upper Sapey had been appointed as Parish Lengthsman for the year 2017-8.

9.

Clerk's Report -

- a) Actions from the previous meetings
- i) War Memorial, The previously agreed contractor had declined to do only the cleaning work and he was looking for someone to do this.
- ii) Playing Field matters, The new 12 x 6 Goal Posts and nets had been installed.
- b) Correspondence received. - All items had been circulated via email
- c) Items drawn to the council's attention. The need to elect a new Chair at the Annual Meeting.
- d) Note arrangements for the Annual Parish Meeting on Tuesday 9th May 2017 - The council would again cover the costs of refreshments etc. - Noted

10.

Items for the next meeting.

nos. 5 and 6 above.

11.

Confirm the date of the next meeting;

Thursday 25th May 2017 at 19:30 hrs. in the Village Hall, Alfrick. Agreed.

This will be the Annual Meeting of the Parish Council

The meeting closed at 21:25

Minutes confirmed

25th May 2017

