

**ALLESLEY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of Parish Council Meeting
held on Monday, 24th July 2017 at 7.45 pm
All Saints Church, Allesley**

Present: Cllr L Swann Chairman
Cllr T Burton
Cllr Mrs V Parry
Cllr W Shakespeare
Cllr A Hobson
Cllr J College
Cllr I Farrar
The Clerk

Cllr David Kershaw
Cllr Glenn Williams
Members of the Public : 5

PUBLIC FORUM

Cllr Farrar referred to a matter which was not on the agenda relating to a meeting he had attended the previous week when local groups had met to discuss bringing a Judicial Review challenging the local authority Local Plans. The statistics on which thousands of extra homes had been included in the Local Plan were questioned. A barrister living locally was providing advice pro bono to local groups and advising them of the cost of a Judicial Review. He requested the Judicial Review be put on the next agenda for discussion.

Mandy Davies raised the issue of the verges being cut and had discussed the number of cuts and when these were undertaken with the City Council and arranged for it to be undertaken in the Autumn. She advised that the Harvest sign had been painted and put back up. The grass around the bench on Tamworth Road was very overgrown and was to be cut. Cllr Burton queried verge cuts and felt that the verges should not be left until they had flowered as road safety was more important and following further discussion requested the Parish Council consider this as an agenda item.

Cllr Farrar proposed a vote of thanks to Mandy Davies be recorded for the work she had undertaken.

APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None.

MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATIONS OF PECUNIARY OR OTHER INTEREST

None declared.

REQUESTS FOR DISPENSATIONS

None received.

MINUTE 47/2017 - MINUTES OF RECENT MEETINGS

RESOLVED:- that the Minutes of the Annual Council Meeting held on 15th May 2017 be approved.

RESOLVED:- that the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 26th June 2017 be approved subject to amendment to Minute 36/2017 Hollyfast Road to read Hollyfast Lane.

MINUTE 41/2017 – CLERK AND RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL OFFICER

The Chairman introduced Jane Chatterton who would be taking over as Clerk and RFO to members.

MINUTE 31/2017 - NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Cllr Burton requested members consider whether to proceed with a Neighbourhood Plan as there had been no support from the local community. He advised that Cllr Farrar had been absent for 3 meetings and members had been unsure whether he was continuing on the Parish Council and he had been the only member supporting a Neighbourhood Plan and driving it forward.

Cllr Shakespeare referred to advice from the Parish Council's Planning Consultant which had not been followed. Cllr Shakespeare felt that the Parish Council need to know and have an outline of where it is going. Cllr Farrar suggested he organise a meeting in September following the September Council Meeting. He advised that the Parish Council should be involving other stakeholders. Members discussed arrangements for a meeting and publicity with a stall at the Fillongley Show.

RESOLVED:- the proposed meeting for a Neighbourhood Plan be advertised in the Parish Magazine, a flyer advertising the meeting to be circulated. A budget of £162 be allocated for posters and flyers. The Parish Council to host the meeting, with a drop in evening session on a Thursday evening between 5pm-9pm. Members to approve the flyer before circulation.

Ward Cllr Kershaw arrived and apologised for being late due to attendance at an earlier meeting.

MINUTE 48/2017 - WALC – NEWSLETTER /CORRESPONDENCE

Members noted receipt of email correspondence from WALC which had been circulated to members including:

WALC Events Programme with details of forthcoming seminars

Offer by WALC Chairman to come along to talk to individual parish councils

Security advice from DCLG

WALC model 'Staff Handbook – update and request for photographs

HS2 Community Benefit Seminar – notes provided by WALC

MINUTE 36/2017 - HIGHWAYS MATTERS

Ward Cllr Kershaw advised that he had raised the issue of speeding traffic along Hollyfast Lane with the City Council and officers had informed him they had been monitoring this and would continue to do so during the summer and he should have a report for the Parish Council for the September meeting.

Ward Cllr Kershaw requested the Chairman's consent to speak. Consent was granted. He updated members on various local issues, including a warden controlled flat complex and a complaint re potential misuse of the planning consent with regard to a proposed change of use from older population to mixed use, the Amazon warehouse which was sited at the former Jaguar Landrover Site and the proposed new road linking to the M6. A discussion of S106 funding ensued and when development on the new road would start. Ward Cllr Kershaw advised that it was difficult coming to terms with timing because the bulk of funds were coming from outside the city, such as regional, government and European funds with the City Council acting as Agent and for these reasons it was difficult to know when development on the new road would start.

Ward Cllr Williams referred to the petition he had presented to the City Council's Planning Committee opposing the Amazon development and a decision to be made as to whether noise detectors could be fitted on the lorries.

The Chairman re-opened the meeting.

MINUTE 49/2017 - HALLAM LAND MANAGEMENT LTD – PLANS FOR A NEW COMMUNITY – LAND NORTH OF EASTERN GREEN, COVENTRY

Members noted receipt of an email from Hallam Land advising the Parish Council of their plans for a new community at Eastern Green and to invite the Parish Council to a meeting to discuss the current draft masterplan for the site.

RESOLVED:- that a date for an evening meeting be requested.

MINUTE 50/2017 - PLANNING MATTERS

Planning Applications

List Week Ending 30th June

No applications

List Week Ending 7th July

HH/2017/1590 Application Site: Oakhill Cottage, Birmingham Road, Allesley

Proposal: Erection of two storey rear extension

RESOLVED: that the application be noted.

List Week Ending 14th July

No applications

MINUTE 51/2017 – FINANCE

Clerk's salary approved under confidential session.

MINUTE 52/2017 - COMMUNICATIONS RECEIVED

Email query received from local resident querying whether the Orchard opposite the White Lion Public House was owned by the parish council. Cllr Shakespeare advised that the land was private land owned by Severn Trent and to go onto the land would be deemed trespass.