

## MINUTES OF ALPRAHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held in Calveley Hall Chapel on Monday 26 June 2018

**Present:** Cllrs S Sparks (Chair); J Crook; P Howson; E McElroy; A McLennan  
S Stockton, Clerk

**In attendance:** Two residents, who had both applied for the vacancy for a Parish Councillor attended the meeting

**72/18 Apologies for absence:**  
Cllr R Wilson (Vice Chair) and Cllr S Crank did not attend the meeting due to work commitments

**73/18 Community Questions**  
No residents attended for Community Questions.

**74/18 Declarations of Interests**  
All interests were as previously reported.

**75/18 Vacancy for Parish Councillor**  
**Two** applicants for the vacancy attended the meeting. After a discussion with each candidate separately, when questions were exchanged, the applicants were informed that they would be contacted later in the week with the results of the Parish Council's decision. After a discussion a candidate was decided upon and the position would be offered to him. This was decided by a unanimous vote.

**76/18 Approval of Minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 29 May 2018**  
The minutes of the Annual Meeting held on 29 May 2018 were discussed and it was noted that the name of the Vice Chair was incorrect, with this amendment corrected the minutes were approved.  
*Proposed: P Howson – Seconded: E McElroy*

**Approval of the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 29 May 2018**  
The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 29 May 2018 were approved.  
*Proposed: E McElroy – Seconded: P Howson*

**77/18 Matters Arising from the Minutes not covered elsewhere in the Agenda**  
None

**78/18 Planning Matters in Alpraham Parish**  
a) **Applications submitted since last meeting**  
**16/3540 : Land North of Vale Road : Proposed Construction of Eco Dwelling**  
This was discussed and the Parish Council's response would be prepared to be submitted before the deadline of 3 July 2018.

b) **Decisions Made by Cheshire East**  
None

c) **Decisions Awaited from Cheshire East Planning**  
**18/0186 : Vine Tree Cottage : Certificate of Lawful Use**  
**18/1576N : South View.**

d) **Other Planning Matters**  
It was brought to the attention of the Parish Council that work was being done at The Elms, Cllr Green said that the Enforcement Officer had been alerted to this and will be visiting the site.

**79/18 Report on Improving Alpraham's Environment  
War Memorial**

**EM/AM/JC/SC/**

Work in progress

**Hedges**

It was noted that several hedges around the Parish needed cutting back as they were either obstructing speed cameras or posing a danger to pedestrians. After discussion the Clerk was asked to ascertain the correct procedure and write to the householders to ask them to make the hedges safe.

**Old Phone Box**

The old phone box has been painted by a resident. The Clerk will write to thank him for his help with this.

**80/18 Report on Resident Safety and Security**

The next Cluster Meeting will be held on 23 July 2018.

**Obstructive Parking**

Cllr Wilson has not yet reported back on the results of her investigation of the obstructive parking on the footpath along the A51 in the village.

**81/18 Report on Highways**

**SIDs (Speed Indication Devices)**

The battery of the Speed Indication Device is working well but it was agreed that as it was solar powered it would need to be regularly monitored during the winter months. Cllr Sparks will arrange for Cllr Wilson to hold the spare keys to the device.

**82/18 Playing Field Inspections**

The Playing Field Inspections had been carried out and the report submitted to the meeting.

**83/18 Village Green Project**

Nothing further to report.

**84/18 Finance**

**a) Internal Audit (Statement of Accounts)**

The up-to-date Statement of Accounts was available at the meeting.

**b) Expenditure**

The following cheques were agreed for payment:

<b>Cheque</b>	<b>Date</b>	<b>Amount</b>	<b>Payee</b>
837	29 05 18	355.66	S Stockton (Salary etc Feb18)
840	29 05 18	96.80	HMRC (Clerk's Tax Feb 18)
842	29 05 18	33.96	BHIB Ltd, Insurance
843	29 05 18	20.00	Bunbury PCC (Meeting Room)

*Proposed: E McElroy – Seconded: J Crook*

**c) Receipts**

There were no receipts since the last meeting.

**d) Mandate/Telephone and Internet Banking**

The updating of the mandate was in progress.

**85/18 Asset Register**

The Asset Register was updated and would be reviewed again before the end of the year.

**Defibrillator**

In progress

**86/18 Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 31 July 2018**  
(Agenda Items by 20 July 2018)

**Signed: Chair**

**Clerk**

**Date:.....**