

MINUTES OF ALPRAHAM PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held in Calveley Hall Chapel on Tuesday 29 January 2019

Present: Cllrs S Sparks (Chair); R Wilson (Vice Chair); S Crank; E McElroy; J Crook; P Howson; A McLennan; C Green (Ward Councillor); S Stockton, Clerk;

In attendance: No residents were in attendance.

- 10/19 Apologies for absence:**
M Caputo (Work Commitments).
- 11/19 Community Questions**
No residents attended for Community Questions.
- 12/19 Declarations of Interests**
All interests were as previously reported.
- 13/19 Approval of Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 8 January 2019**
The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 8 January 2019 were approved.
Proposed: S Sparks – Seconded: R Wilson
- 14/19 Matters Arising from the Minutes not covered elsewhere in the Agenda**
None
- 15/19 Planning Matters in Alpraham Parish**
- a) **Applications submitted since last meeting**
- 19/0152 : Land Adjacent to Cherry Tree House : New Dwelling - Full Planning**
- 19/0266 : Wayside, Long Lane Alterations to Existing Dwelling and Annexe**
No comments from the Parish Council
- b) **Decisions Made by Cheshire East**
- 18/4015 : Clays Farm – Outline Planning**
Refused
- 18/5788D : Land Adjacent to Jasmine Cottage : Discharge of Conditions**
Decided
- 18/5534N : Vine Tree Farm : Erection of 2 x 4 bed houses/vehicular access**
Granted
- c) **Decisions Awaited from Cheshire East Planning**
- 18/0186 : Vine Tree Cottage : Certificate of Lawful Use**
- 18/6121N : Land Off Nantwich Road : Reserved Matters following Outline Permission (15/0922)**
- 18/6282N Kiln House : Outline Application for new detached dwelling and vehicular access**
- d) **Other Planning Matters**

None

16/19 Village Green Project

The deadline for comments to be sent to Cheshire East Planning Department was 12 February 2019.

Mr Howson said that some expenditure would be necessary soon for modifying the website and additional written materials to communicate to residents. Other means of communication with residents were discussed. Legal fees will also be incurred over the coming months. It was agreed that £5,000.00 would be ringfenced for this expenditure, which would be applied for at meetings as and when required.

Proposed : E McElroy – Seconded : R Wilson

Oak Tree

An email from a resident had been received regarding the removal of the Oak Tree on the Plans for the new village hall.

17/19 Report on Improving Alpraham's Environment

EM/AM/JC/SC/

Sewage : Peckforton Estate

Cllr Crook highlighted a possible problem with sewage on the Peckforton Estate that posed a potentially serious health hazard and could have implications Alpraham.

Hedges : Hilbre Grange

It had been reported that a resident had complained about the state of the hedges at the top of Hilbre Bank which had not been cut properly and now took up a large proportion of the carriageway. The Clerk was asked to write to the occupiers and ask them to cut the hedges back, citing Cheshire East's procedures.

Broken Railings : Wettenhall Corner

Cllr Howson will contact Cheshire East Highways to find out the status re getting them replaced.

Pavements

Cllr McElry reported that certain pavements in the area were getting overgrown and becoming unsafe for pedestrians. Cllr Howson reported that Cheshire East Highways were just about to start maintaining the Gullies in the area and he would request that the pavements were cleared at the same time.

18/19 Report on Resident Safety and Security

19/19 Report on Highways

Unusable Speed Camera

Cllr Howson is progressing this matter with Scottish Power.

Speeding

Cllr Sparks reported that he had downloaded the statistical data from the speed indication device to gauge the effectiveness of it. It was found that the average speed during the daytime was 37 mph – 50 mph and during the night was 40 mph – 80 mph, the highest speeds being captured at 6am-7am. He also said that it was noticeable that as the camera was turned off to enable the data collection that the traffic speeded up and when the camera was turned on again the traffic slowed and concluded that it was a definite sign that the camera was slowing down the traffic.

20/19 Playing Field Inspections

The Playing Field / Defibrillator Inspections reports were pending.

21/19 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:

Cheque	Date	Amount	Payee
861	08 01 19	20.00	Bunbury PCC (Sept Meeting)
862	29 01 19	833.37	S Stockton (Clerks Salary)
863	29 01 19	179.60	HMRC

Proposed: S Crank – 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.

20/19 Date of Next Meeting – Tuesday 26 February 2019
(Agenda Items by 11 February 2019)

Signed: Chair

Clerk

Date:.....