

**ALWOODLEY PARISH COUNCIL**  
**Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting**  
**held on**  
**Monday 4<sup>th</sup> September 2017**  
**at Alwoodley Community Hall**



Commenced: 7.30 pm

Concluded: 9.00 pm

**Present:** Cllr Lyn Buckley (Chairman)  
Cllr Trupti Acharya  
Cllr Carol Allen  
Cllr Neil Buckley  
Cllr Ian Greenberg  
Cllr Richard Hainsworth  
Cllr Ramesh Khetani (until 7.45)  
Cllr Roderic Parker  
Cllr Jerry Pearlman  
Cllr Judith Williams

Clerk: Catriona Hanson

**2017/140 Introduction**

Cllr Lyn Buckley welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**2017/141 Public participation**

One member of the public was present and asked for more advice about the procedure for applying for a grant from the Parish Council and was advised to make a written request for each grant to the Clerk prior to the next meeting. Cllr Ramesh Khetani also announced his intention to stand down from the Parish Council.

**2017/142 To receive any apologies for absence**

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr Sue Smith

**2017/143 To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary and other interests.**

None.

**2017/144 To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate**

None

**2017/145 Minutes of previous meetings**

**RESOLVED:** To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 3<sup>rd</sup> July 2017.

**Proposed:** Cllr Acharya

**Seconded:** Cllr Allen

**2017/146 Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting that are not already on the agenda and updating the Decision List**

- **2016/179 Organising day trips** – it was agreed to delete this item from the Decision List

- **2017/111 Notice boards at Eccup Reservoir** – it was agreed to contact Vicky Nunns to check whether Leeds City Council is able to source the artwork for the notice boards, to obtain the installation costs and the artwork costs and forward the artwork costs to Yorkshire Water for their consideration.
- **2017/028 Public rights of way** – the Parish Council discussed the blocked footpath from Tesco Express parallel to The Avenue. It was agreed that the Clerk would forward the details to Leeds City Council's Public Rights of Way officer - Cllr Parker agreed to forward the details to the Clerk.
- **Band concerts**  
It was agreed to write to Leeds City Council to thank them for organising the band concerts.
- **Annual Meeting of the Parish 2018**  
It was agreed to invite Roger Brooks from Leeds City Council's Parks and Countryside to the Annual Meeting of the Parish in 2018.

**2017/146 To receive the minutes from the Planning Committee and to receive an update about the most recent meeting**

The minutes from the Planning Committee meeting held on 7<sup>th</sup> August 2017 were received.

Cllr Pearlman gave an update about the Planning Committee meeting. The meeting had considered six applications, three of which had given grounds for discussion: a proposal to build a house in land adjoining 15A The Valley. The Parish Council has learned that Leeds City Council Planning Officers are strongly opposed to this proposal being located in the green corridor; 10 St Andrew's Walk – concerns were expressed about the proposed change of use of a garage to a granny annex; 264 Alwoodley Lane – an application has been made for a large house and concerns were expressed about the potential for this building to be converted into flats.

**2017/147 To receive verbal updates (if any) from the Parish Council's Working Parties:**

- **Verity's Copse** – Cllr Hainsworth advised the meeting that the leaflets have now been delivered and about one dozen responses have been received from people who are interested in volunteering. The first meeting will take place on 6<sup>th</sup> September.
- **King Lane footpath** – Cllr Parker reported that the letter and document discussed at the July Parish Council meeting was forwarded to Russell Martin. A response from Russell Martin apologising for the lack of action was received on 17<sup>th</sup> August. It was agreed that the Clerk would chase this up.
- **Book festival** – Cllr Acharya advised the meeting that ticket sales for the Book Festival have been slow. After some discussion it was agreed that the book festival should go ahead. Members of the Parish Council agreed to act as volunteers on the Sunday.

**2017/148 Ward Member's update**

Cllr Neil Buckley advised the meeting that there was no news to report.

**2017/149 Schedule of Payments**

**RESOLVED:** To agree the Schedule of Payments with the following amendment – a payment had been made to Cllr Allen for expenses for the garden competition

**Proposed:** Cllr Allen

**Seconded:** Cllr Lyn Buckley

**2017/150 To receive an update about the travellers on the village green**

Cllr Lyn Buckley advised the meeting that keys for the new gate on the village green will be available shortly – one will be stored in the Parish Council office and the Lengthsman will take possession of the other.

**RESOLVED:** To agree retrospectively to make a contribution of £1,200 towards the installation of some railings and a gate on the village green.

There were seven votes in favour and three votes in opposition

**Proposed:** Cllr Lyn Buckley

**Seconded:** Cllr Allen

**2017/151 Appointment of an examiner of the Neighbourhood Development Plan**

**RESOLVED:** To delegate the decision to agree the appointment of the examiner to the Neighbourhood Development Plan group

**Proposed:** Cllr Parker

Agreed unanimously

**2017/152 To consider the reports from the Working Party regarding the projects with MaeCare**

After some discussion it was agreed to defer the decision about the monthly tea dance until the October Parish Council meeting.

**2017/153 Request for a bench**

The Parish Council had been approached by a local resident who wished to fund a bench within the Parish. There was some discussion about the suggested location and Cllr Lyn Buckley agreed to contact the local resident and Vicky Nunns to arrange a site meeting.

**2017/154 To consider ideas to celebrate the 10<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the Parish Council in 2018**

The Parish Council identified two suggestions: renaming the summer band concert in honour of the anniversary and extending the playground on the village green.

**2017/155 Agenda items for the next meeting**

- Monthly tea dance
- Date of the next Annual Meeting of the Parish and suggested speakers

**2017/156 Chairman's remarks and items of correspondence**

The Clerk had received an inquiry from a PT instructor about holding classes on the village green. The Parish Council agreed to the proposal, but asked the Clerk to advise the PT instructor that she is unable to display any posters on the notice boards or website.

**2017/157 Date of the next Parish Council meetings**

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on 2<sup>nd</sup> October 2017 at 7.30pm at the ACA.