

ALWOODLEY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council
Meeting held on
Monday 1st February 2016
at Alwoodley Community Hall



Commenced: 7.30 pm
Concluded: 8.25 pm

Present: Cllr Lyn Buckley (Chairman)
Cllr. Carol Allen
Cllr. Neil Buckley
Cllr. Ian Greenberg
Cllr. Richard Hainsworth
Cllr. Ramesh Khetani
Cllr. Jerry Pearlman
Cllr. Sue Smith
Cllr. Judith Williams

Clerk: Catriona Hanson

2016/024 Introduction

Cllr Lyn Buckley welcomed everyone to the Parish Council meeting.

2016/025 Public participation

None.

2016/026 To receive any apologies for absence

None.

2016/027 To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary and other interests.

None

2016/028 To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate

None

2016/029 Minutes of previous meetings

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 11th January 2016

Proposed: Cllr Allen

Seconded: Cllr Khetani

2016/030 Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting that are not already on the agenda and updating the Decision List

- **2016/002 Report from Alwoodley Junior Football Teams** Mrs Sue Gaunt had sent the following report:
“A big thank you to APC once again for their continued and very much appreciated support. It is a constant fund raising battle to keep finding money for kits and equipment.

“Not much football was played over December and January due to the deluge of rain

and even though we had work done on the pitch, the drains were struggling to cope with the big downpours but soon recover when we have a dry couple of days.

“The under 14s got their new kit and are currently still in 2 cups and are sitting at the top of the league. The under 11s have mixed results but last week had their biggest win, 13 1 !!

“The under 9s have had a string of wins and only a couple of defeats which is very good considering this team had to be virtually rebuilt when we lost 6 players to professional clubs.

“We are currently fundraising with Senior football to get our perimeter fence erected around the pitch.

“Many thanks once again for your support.”

- **2015/161 – King Lane footway** – Cllr Pearlman advised the meeting that a meeting date with Highways is still to be arranged. Following recent correspondence with Dr Houghton-Moss, Cllr Pearlman suggested inviting him to a meeting to discuss the footway. It was agreed that once a date had been arranged at least two other Parish Councillors would also attend.
- **2015/225 – Dangerous dogs training** – the Clerk reported that she had written to Old Leos again about the reported dangerous dogs, but had not yet received a response. Cllr Allen has been informed that dog training has already been seen to take place this year and we assume therefore that more will follow. She suggested contacting the Leeds City Council Dog Warden service if there is no response from Old Leos.
- **2015/224 – Lego crest event** – It was agreed to dismiss this topic from the Decision List
- **2016/009 Flowerbeds** – Cllr Allen had contacted Liz Amirahmadi and asked her to check whether the WW1 bed needs any additional bark mulch or plants.
- **2016/014 To agree to look into the possibility of commissioning a flower bed to celebrate the Queen’s 90th birthday** – Cllr Allen will be reviewing this item in March
- **2016/018 Metal plaques and sticky labels** – Cllr Smith reported that this is in progress.
- **2016/020 Annual Meeting of the Parish 2016** – Cllr Lyn Buckley had contacted David Burgess who has agreed to give a presentation. The Clerk had contacted Brian Wilkinson who has agreed to organise a speaker from the ACA. No response has yet been received from the Friends of Adel Woods.
- **2016/007 Car parking** – Cllr Neil Buckley reported that he has now been in touch with Moortown Rugby Club and suggested that they might like to recommend using the King Lane Park and Ride car park on their website and match tickets. He has not yet received a response.

2016/031 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 11th January 2016 were received.

Cllr Pearlman gave a summary of the discussions which took place at the earlier Planning Committee meeting. The meeting had discussed four planning applications, three of these were not of particular concern. One application, for converting the first floor of the Doctors' Surgery on King Lane into a commercial business raised concerns about traffic and parking issues and the Planning Committee has recommended that it is refused. Cllr Neil Buckley offered his support in his capacity as Ward Councillor.

The Neighbourhood Development Plan consultant, David Gluck, had attended the last meeting and will be addressing the Parish Council at the March meeting.

2016/032 To receive verbal updates (if any) from the Parish Council's Working Parties:

- **Allotments** – Cllr Hainsworth gave an update about the allotments leases.
- **Alwoodley in Bloom** – Cllr Allen gave an update on behalf of Alwoodley in Bloom. They are very grateful for the recent Parish Council grant and have sent a letter of thanks. They have also passed on favourable comments about the recent improvements at the Alwoodley Lane boundary stone. They have recently been contacted by the webmaster for the Parish Council website about updating their page on the website but will be advised to wait for the new website. At the suggestion of two of the members, the group is hoping to enter the Leeds in Bloom competition for summer judging– further clarification is being sought about the scope of the competition. Although the group is still enthusiastic about their work, they would welcome new members.
- **Newsletter** – Cllrs Smith and Williams explained that they are still waiting for a few articles.
- **Website** – the Clerk gave an update.
- **Trees on Primley Park Avenue** – Cllr Lyn Buckley advised the meeting that the trees on Primley Park Avenue have finally been planted.

2016/032 To receive an update from the Ward member

Cllr Neil Buckley explained that the ward councillors are trying to ensure that, despite budget cuts to the police service, there are five PCSOs in Alwoodley ward.

2016/033 Schedule of Payments

RESOLVED: To agree the Schedule of Payments

Proposed: Cllr Allen

Seconded: Cllr Smith

2016/034 RFO's Report

RESOLVED: To note the RFO's report

Proposed: Cllr Allen

Seconded: Cllr Smith

2016/035 Parish Council newsletter

RESOLVED: To agree to spend up to £1,500 on the Parish Council newsletter

Proposed: Cllr Allen

Seconded: Cllr Smith

2016/036 Annual Meeting of the Parish

It was agreed to invite David Gluck to the Annual Meeting of the Parish

2016/037 Festive Lights

RESOLVED: to consider looking into festive lights on a tree at the King Lane / Nursery Lane junction at the south-west corner of the Parish

Proposed: Cllr Allen

Seconded: Cllr Williams

2016/038 Green space allocation

Cllr Pearlman had previously circulated a paper about green space allocation. He explained that this topic has been included in the Neighbourhood Development Plan and so withdrew the paper.

2016/039 One way system at the shops

It was agreed that the Clerk would write to Mr Lyons advising him that following his agreement to the original proposal for a one way system at the shops, a risk assessment has now been carried out and so the Parish Council would like to introduce a voluntary one way system with entry from The Avenue and exit onto King Lane.

2016/040 Band concert on the village green

The Clerk had been advised by Leeds City Council that the band would require payment if they turned up – whatever the weather. It was agreed that the Parish Council would not hire a marquee or take out any insurance. It was agreed that the Parish Council would book a band for Sunday 19th June from 2.30 – 4.30pm and hire 35 folding chairs. The ACA have agreed to store the chairs over the weekend and the Parish Council Lengthsman has agreed to set the chairs out and collect them afterwards.

2016/041 Items of correspondence

An invitation has been received from Leeds City Council to attend the Town and Parish Council Forum at the end of February. It was agreed to ask Cllr Pearlman if he wished to attend again.

Cllr Greenberg confirmed that he is happy to represent the Parish Council at the Leeds branch meeting of the Yorkshire Local Councils Associations on 9th February.

The Clerk was asked to contact the YLCA to find out whether they are going to run any future introductory training courses for new Parish Councillors.

2016/042 Agenda items for the next Parish Council meeting

Parish Councillors were reminded to notify the Clerk of any items for the next Parish Council meeting by 27th February

2016/043 Date of the next Parish Council meetings

It was agreed that the date of the Extraordinary Parish Council meeting will be Wednesday 3rd February at 7.30pm at the ACA and the next Parish Council meeting will be Monday 7th

March 2016 at 7.30pm at the ACA.