

ALWOODLEY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held on
Monday 3rd April 2017
at Alwoodley Community Hall



Commenced: 7.30 pm
Concluded: 8.45 pm

Present: Cllr Lyn Buckley (Chairman)
Cllr Trupti Acharya
Cllr Carol Allen
Cllr Neil Buckley (from 8.00pm)
Cllr Ian Greenberg
Cllr Richard Hainsworth
Cllr Roderic Parker
Cllr Jerry Pearlman
Cllr Sue Smith
Cllr Judith Williams

Clerk: Catriona Hanson

2017/059 Introduction

Cllr Lyn Buckley welcomed everyone to the Parish Council meeting.

2017/060 Public consultation

Two members of the public had come to the meeting to listen to Bobby Viridi from Traffic talking about the proposed 20mph speed limit and the speed bumps. Cllr Lyn Buckley advised the local residents that Mr Viridi would be attending the Annual Meeting of the Parish on 25th April.

2017/061 To receive any apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Ramesh Khetari and apologies for a late arrival were received and accepted from Cllr Neil Buckley who was attending a PACT meeting.

2017/062 To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary and other interests.

None.

2017/063 To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate

None

2017/064 Minutes of previous meetings

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 6th March 2017 with the following addition to minute 2016/049 Book Festival – Cllr Smith had also attended the Book Festival meeting

Proposed: Cllr Parker

Seconded: Cllr Lyn Buckley

2017/065 Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting that are not already on the agenda and updating the Decision List

- **2016/216 No parking on grass verges sign** – it was agreed that the Clerk would query the price of the signs.
- **Festival lights** – it was noted that the tree lights are still lit. It was agreed to wait until the May meeting before reaching a decision about this.

2017/066 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 6th March 2017 were received.

Cllr Pearlman explained that the earlier Planning Committee meeting had considered eleven planning applications. With the exception of the application for 19A The Valley where the Planning Committee was concerned about harm to the existing trees, none of the applications was contentious.

2017/067 To receive verbal updates (if any) from the Parish Council's Working Parties:

- **Wildlife notice board at Eccup Reservoir** – Cllr Lyn Buckley explained that she only intended to attend the first meeting to introduce the other working party members to Vicky Nunns from Leeds City Council. Cllr Parker was delegated to respond to Vicky Nunns's inquiry about possible locations for the notice board.
- **Best kept front garden competition** – Cllr Parker reported that the prospective judge is now unable to help and so he has contacted Richard Gill at Leeds City Council to ask for suggestion for a replacement judge.
- **Website** – the Clerk had forwarded some minor amendments to the developers and they have started the coding work. The Clerk was asked to contact the current webmaster and ask him to add the date for the Annual Meeting of the Parish to the website and also to amend the meeting time for Parish Council meetings to 7.30pm

2017/068 To receive an update from the Ward member

Cllr Neil Buckley commented on a recent case of anti-social behaviour on Nursery Lane where three trees had been felled by an unknown member of the public. Local residents were considering planting six replacement trees.

2017/069 Schedule of Payments

RESOLVED: To agree the Schedule of Payments

Proposed: Cllr Hainsworth

Seconded: Cllr Lyn Buckley

2017/070 Grant application from Alwoodley Allotment Society

A grant application had been received from Alwoodley Allotment Society towards the cost of installing a rabbit-proof fence around the allotments. A resolution to award a grant of £250 was defeated. Cllr Buckley asked the Clerk to contact the Society to advise them that a small amount of funding may be available from the Ward Councillors' Mice Money and to contact him for further information.

2017/070 Annual subscription to the YLCA

RESOLVED: to approve the payment of £1,011 to the YLCA

Proposed: Cllr Pearlman

Seconded: Cllr Lyn Buckley

2017/071 Alwoodley Parish Council Neighbourhood Development Plan

It was agreed to forward the following amendment to item b in policy H2: Design of new housing developments - site HG2-36 to David Burgess:

- b) 'Sufficient primary school places are available nearby based upon an independent assessment of actual and anticipated demand'

the word 'are' will be replaced with the phrase 'should be' so that this item will now read:

- b) Sufficient primary school places should be available nearby based upon an independent assessment of actual and anticipated demand.

Cllr Neil Buckley had received a query from a local resident about the article in the recent newsletter. He agreed to contact the local resident and explain the consultation with Natural England.

2017/072 Children's book event

RESOLVED: To hold a Children's Book Event over the weekend of 23rd/24th September and to allocate funding of up to £650 for this event

Proposed: Cllr Williams

Seconded: Cllr Acharya

2017/073 Verity's shaft

RESOLVED: Alwoodley Parish Council will take responsibility for the copse surrounding Verity's Shaft on the Buckstone estate which has no known owner. The council will put up notices to that effect on the land, and will notify nearby residents that it has done so. If anyone lodges a valid objection, or puts forward a better claim to the land, the council will withdraw this proposal. The copse will be known as Verity's Copse.

Proposed: Cllr Hainsworth

Carried unanimously

The Clerk was asked to contact Zurich Municipal Insurance to ask whether this could be added to the Parish Council's insurance policy. It was also agreed to contact Leeds City Council, other public agencies and the local residents about this proposal.

2017/074 To contact Yorkshire Water to ask if they would make a gift of the land at the junction of Alwoodley Lane and Lakeland Drive

It was agreed that the Parish Council would contact Yorkshire Water to ask if they would agree to sell, lease or donate this land as a gift to the Parish Council. Cllr Pearlman agreed to support the Clerk in drafting a letter to Yorkshire Water asking whether they are interested in discussing this option with the Parish Council.

2017/075 Agenda items for the next Parish Council meeting

- To consider whether the Parish Council should approach Leeds Bradford Airport to request a specific place on the Airport Consultative Committee

2017/076 Chairman's remarks and items of correspondence

- **Inquiry from Alwoodley Scouts** it was agreed to respond that the Parish Council did not have any projects where they could help at present (although there may be some suitable projects in the future) and to suggest that the Scout leader contacts Alwoodley in Bloom.

- **Annual Meeting of the Parish** Cllr Lyn Buckley asked everyone to turn up from 6.45 to 7.00pm to help set up the room. It was agreed that the meeting would include updates on the following topics:
 - King Lane footway
 - Book festival – and dates
 - Shopping bus and dances
 - Goodrick Lane sign
 - Wildflower beds
 - Brass band and jazz band concert dates
 - Leeds Bradford Airport proposed changes

2017/077 Date of the next Parish Council meetings

The Annual Meeting of the Parish will take place on 25th April at 7.30pm at the ACA
The Annual Council meeting will take place on 8th May 2017 at 7.30pm at the ACA.