

ALWOODLEY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held on
Monday 6th February 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 Richard Hainsworth
Cllr Roderic Parker
Cllr Jerry Pearlman
Cllr Sue Smith
Cllr Judith Williams

Clerk: Catriona Hanson

2017/022 Introduction

Cllr Lyn Buckley welcomed everyone to the Parish Council meeting.

2017/023 To receive any apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllrs Ian Greenberg and Ramesh Khetani

2017/024 To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary and other interests.

None.

2017/025 To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate

None

2017/026 Minutes of previous meetings

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 9th January 2017

Proposed: Cllr Allen

Seconded: Cllr Williams

2017/027 Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting that are not already on the agenda and updating the Decision List

- **2017/006 20mph speed limit** – signs about the proposed 20mph speed limit have already been installed by Leeds City Council. It was resolved to put in a holding letter saying that the Parish Council wishes to consult parishioners and also to invite Bobby Viridi from Traffic to the Annual Meeting of the Parish in April to talk about the scheme. It was also resolved to put in a letter of objection.
- **2016/006 Buckstone Grove** – Cllr Neil Buckley has now received a response from Yorkshire Water about Johnson's Shaft and Verity's Shaft.

- **2016/216 Dog waste bag dispenser** – the Clerk was asked to invite Jessica Hodgson to the March meeting to talk about the dog waste bag dispenser and no parking on grass verge signs.
- **2016/216 Eccup Reservoir sign** – an email had been received from Vicky Nunns agreeing to meet on Friday 24th February. It was agreed to suggest meeting at 2.00pm at the house at Eccup Reservoir.
- **Public rights of way** – it was suggested that the Parish Council should review the public footpaths in the parish in order to be able to claim them as public rights of way before the deadline of 2026.

2017/028 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 9th January 2017 were received.

Cllr Pearlman explained that he had nothing to report from the earlier Planning Committee meeting.

Natural England has made a comment about 205/3B from the Neighbourhood Development Plan. David Burgess is discussing this matter with David Gluck.

2017/029 To receive verbal updates (if any) from the Parish Council's Working Parties:

- **Newsletter** – Cllrs Smith and Williams are currently writing the newsletter and are waiting for articles about the allotments and the Neighbourhood Development Plan.

2017/030 To receive an update from the Ward member

Cllr Neil Buckley gave an update from the PACT meeting which he had attended earlier in the evening. There has been an increase in reported cases of burglary with five cases reported near The Avenue within the last week and a resultant two arrests made. The Alwoodley Ward Councillors are going to contact the local police team to ask for reassurance about this trend.

2017/031 Schedule of Payments

RESOLVED: To agree the Schedule of Payments

Proposed: Cllr Allen

Seconded: Cllr Acharya

2017/032 To agree the Parish Council precept for 2017/18

After some discussion it was

RESOLVED: To set the precept at £12 per band D household resulting in a total amount of £43,835.

Proposed: Cllr Hainsworth

Seconded: Cllr Neil Buckley

There were seven votes in favour, one vote against and one abstention.

A proposal to set the precept at £13 per band D household was not supported.

2017/033 Allotment rent

RESOLVED: To agree to recover the £450 allotment rent from Alwoodley Allotment Association

Proposed: Cllr Hainsworth

Seconded: Cllr Lyn Buckley

2017/034 To suggest speakers for the Annual Meeting of the Parish - 25th April 2017

The newly-formed Women's Institute have agreed to send two speakers.

Roger Gilbert from the Friends of Adel Woods and Derek Hanton from Alwoodley Allotment Association have also agreed to speak.

It was agreed to ask David Burgess if he would like to give an update about the Neighbourhood Plan and also to contact Bobby Virdi to ask if he is available to speak about the proposed 20mph speed limit.

Following the suggestion at the January meeting to invite Yorkshire Water Estates to the Annual Meeting of the Parish it was agreed that it would be more appropriate to invite them to the March meeting to discuss the bridleway along North Side, the state of the footpath, the road which has been opened from Harrogate Road to Eccup.

2017/035 Best kept garden competition

RESOLVED: To agree that the Parish Council agree to hold a Best Kept Garden Competition to be judged Summer 2017 and to agree that an amount of up to £600.00 may be spent on promotion, prizes and any miscellaneous expenses incurred.

Proposed: Cllr Parker

Seconded: Cllr Smith

The meeting was informed that Cllr Allen has joined the working party. It was agreed to amend the title to include the word 'front'.

2017/036 Alwoodley Book Festival

It was agreed to set up a working party consisting of Cllrs Acharya, Smith and Williams to organise the event, float ideas and work together to make the Book Festival happen in Alwoodley.

2017/037 Agenda items for the next Parish Council meeting

- To approve a replacement tree on The Crescent (LB)

2017/038 Chairman's remarks and items of correspondence

- An invitation has been received from the YLCA for their Leeds branch meeting on 21st April. It was agreed to check whether Cllr Greenberg is available to attend.
- Cllr Lyn Buckley has received an invitation from Leeds Recycling and Energy Recovery Facility asking if the Parish Council would like to attend a guided tour. Cllr Buckley asked for anyone interested in attending to let her know.

2017/039 Date of the next Parish Council meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on 6th March 2017 at 7.30pm at the ACA.