

ALWOODLEY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held on
Monday 2nd October 2017
at Alwoodley Community Hall



Commenced: 7.30 pm

Concluded: 9.00 pm

Present: Cllr Lyn Buckley (Chairman)
Cllr Neil Buckley
Cllr Trupti Acharya
Cllr Carol Allen
Cllr Neil Buckley
Cllr Ian Greenberg
Cllr Jerry Pearlman
Cllr Sue Smith
Cllr Judith Williams

Clerk: Catriona Hanson

2017/158 Introduction

Cllr Lyn Buckley welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2017/159 Public participation

None.

2017/160 To receive any apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllrs Hainsworth and Parker

2017/161 To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary and other interests.

None.

2017/162 To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate

None

2017/163 Minutes of previous meetings

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 4th September 2017.

Proposed: Cllr Allen

Seconded: Cllr Williams

2017/164 Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting that are not already on the agenda and updating the Decision List

- **2017/141 Public participation** - Cllr Lyn Buckley advised the meeting that Cllr Khetani has now tendered his resignation in writing and so it was noted that the Parish Council now has a casual vacancy and that a notice would be duly published on the Parish Council's website and notice boards.
- **2017/153 Bench on King Lane** – Cllr Lyn Buckley advised the meeting that she has now met with the local resident and Vicky Nunns. Leeds City Council's Parks and Countryside Service is now dealing with this request and any costs associated with

the upkeep of the bench will be the responsibility of the local resident.

- **2016/084 Parking** – a request for some ‘No parking on grass verge’ signs had been received from a local resident who was concerned about vehicles parking on The Avenue. After some discussion it was agreed that the Clerk would contact the local resident to explain that the signs had been purchased in order to stop vehicles parking on grass verges and causing damage, not to stop vehicles parking on highways.
- **2017/094 Leeds Bradford Airport** – the Clerk was asked to forward the request for a place on the airport consultative committee again.
- **2017/111 Notice boards at Eccup Reservoir** – the Clerk had forwarded the request for information to Vicky Nunns who had recently replied that Leeds City Council can source the design work and that she can provide a cost for the design work and also for the boards and their interpretation. She asked for further clarification about the type of boards – either upright boards for fixing to fences or standing on their own legs or lectern style boards with either four or two legs.
- **2017/124 Land at the junction of King Lane and Lakeland Drive** – the Clerk had received a response from the Land Registry to say that they had no records of any transactions for this plot of land. Cllr Pearlman asked the Clerk to write to Yorkshire Water and Leeds City Council to ask for clarification as to whether this land was sold.

2017/165 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 4th September 2017 were received.

Cllr Pearlman gave an update about the Planning Committee meeting. The meeting had considered two applications – an additional application on the agenda has been decided by the Plans Panel earlier in the day and the Clerk had been asked to write the Planning Department to query this.

Cllr Pearlman gave an update about the Neighbourhood Plan. Leeds City Council has now given the Parish Council a choice of two examiners. The Parish Council had delegated this decision to the Neighbourhood Planning group who have now selected an examiner. The Plan will now be examined to see whether it fits within Leeds City Council’s policies and within planning law.

2017/166 To receive verbal updates (if any) from the Parish Council’s Working Parties:

- **Book festival** – Cllr Acharya advised the meeting that the Book Festival had been successful. The working party had set an initial target of selling 150 tickets and had finally sold 82 and raised £255 from the event. The Alwoodley Community Association had covered the refreshment costs. The audience had come from further afield than the Parish and had been very complimentary about the event and activities. Cllr Acharya thanked Cllrs Smith and Williams for their invaluable help in organising the event. She also thanked the other members of the Parish Council who had gone along to help run the event. Cllr Lyn Buckley thanked the Working Party for their hard work in making the book festival a success.

- **Trees** – Cllr Lyn Buckley advised the meeting that she has now received a response from Parks and Countryside about tree planting on Primley Park Road – the ground is unsuitable for tree roots and so the request from the local resident cannot be agreed. Some of the trees planted on King Lane are in need of some attention. It was agreed that Cllr Buckley would ask Rolf Neueberger to cut out the dead wood from these trees and to review their future.

2017/167 Ward Member's update

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

2017/168 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

2017/169 Responsible Financial Officer's report

RESOLVED: to note the report

Proposed: Cllr Smith

Seconded: Cllr Lyn Buckley

2017/170 Proposed budget

The proposed budget was discussed and it was agreed that this would be brought back to the meeting to discuss the 2018-19 precept.

2017/171 Requests for funding

The following requests for funding were discussed:

- **Babbling Babes – Alwoodley Women's Institute**

RESOLVED to approve the application for £352

Proposed: Cllr Allen

Seconded: Cllr Williams

- **Alwoodley Junior Football Team**

RESOLVED to approve the application for £250

Proposed: Cllr Lyn Buckley

Seconded: Cllr Allen

- **Alwoodley Community Association Petanque Court upkeep**

RESOLVED not to approve this application

Proposed: Cllr Pearlman

Seconded: Cllr Smith

2017/172 To consider the future of the tea dance

The Clerk was asked to write to MaeCare expressing the Parish Council's concerns about the tea dance and requesting information about the number of people who had attended these events.

2017/173 Date of the Annual Meeting of the Parish

It was agreed to contact the ACA to ask whether the Council Room is available on 24th April. If this date is unavailable it was agreed that the second choice is 17th April. It was agreed to invite Roger Brookes from Leeds City Council's Public Rights of Way and a representative

from the Recycling Centre.

2017/174 To consider ideas to celebrate the 10th anniversary of the Parish Council in 2018

It was agreed to add this to the agenda for the next meeting.

2017/175 Agenda items for the next meeting

- Dates for the brass band and jazz band concerts in 2018

2017/176 Chairman's remarks and items of correspondence

Cllr Lyn Buckley commented on the forthcoming branch meeting of the YLCA and Cllr Greenberg confirmed that he would be attending and report back at the next Parish Council meeting.

2017/177 Date of the next Parish Council meetings

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