

ALWOODLEY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting
held on
Monday 5th March 2018
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 Sue Smith
Cllr Judith Williams

Clerk: Catriona Hanson

2018/045 Introduction

Cllr Lyn Buckley welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2018/046 Public participation

Two members of the public were present.

2018/047 To receive any apologies for absence

Apologies for absence were received and accepted from Cllr Pearlman and apologies for a late arrival were received and accepted from Cllr Neil Buckley.

2018/048 To receive any declarations of disclosable pecuniary and other interests.

None.

2018/049 To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate

None

2018/050 Minutes of previous meetings

RESOLVED: To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 5th February 2018

Proposed: Cllr Acharya

Seconded: Cllr Allen

2018/051 Matters arising from the minutes of the last meeting that are not already on the agenda and updating the Decision List

- **2017/154 King Lane footway** – the Clerk was asked to contact Russell Martin from Leeds City Council and request a response and to copy Cllr Neil Buckley into the correspondence.

- **2018/041 Co-option** – the Clerk confirmed that the Council Room has been booked for the Co-option meeting on 20th March at 7.30pm. It was agreed to circulate the questions used in the previous Co – option procedure.
- **2018/034 – Grant awarded to Old Leo’s** – the Clerk was asked to write and request proof of purchase once the six months had expired.

2018/052 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 5th February 2018 were received.

Cllr Lyn Buckley gave an update about the Planning Committee meeting. The meeting had considered three applications and objected to the proposal to demolish the existing property at 374 Alwoodley Lane and to build a block of flats.

2018/053 To receive verbal updates (if any) from the Parish Council’s Working Parties:

- **2018 Newsletter** – the Working Party will be meeting with the printers on Wednesday and the newsletter will be ready for distribution later in March. Cllr Lyn Buckley will draw up a distribution schedule.
- **Playground improvements** – a site meeting was held with Vicky Nunns and the Ward Councillors. Vicky Nunns had concerns about the proposed wooden structure and has agreed to look at other options. The Sid the Snake proposal was received favourably. The current playground also needs an additional gate, but the funding for this is uncertain
- **Band concerts** – the same groups as last year have now been booked to play on 17th June and 19th August.
- **Verity’s Copse** – Cllr Hainsworth contacted Bardsey Tree Services who have agreed to provide some free barking chipping for Verity’s Copse.

2018/054 Schedule of Payments

Cllr Allen clarified that the payment of £271.77 covered the payment of the plaque for the Queen’s 90th Birthday Bed.

RESOLVED: To agree the Schedule of Payments

Proposed: Cllr Smith

Seconded: Cllr Hainsworth

2018/055 Internal Auditor

RESOLVED: To re-appoint Voluntary Action Leeds as the Parish Council’s internal auditor

2018/056 Neighbourhood Development Plan archive

It was agreed to approach West Yorkshire Archive to ask if they would accept the Neighbourhood Development Plan archive and the Parish Council minutes.

2018/057 Best kept front front garden competition

RESOLVED: To agree to a budget of £720 for the 2018 best kept front garden competition.

Proposed: Cllr Smith

Seconded: Cllr Williams

2018/058 Annual inspection of the adult fitness equipment

RESOLVED: To agree to a budget of £230 (plus VAT) for the annual inspection of the adult fitness equipment.

Proposed: Cllr Smith

Seconded: Cllr Allen

2018/059 Festive lights for winter 2018-19

RESOLVED: To agree to fund the festive lights for winter 2018-19 at a cost of £5,912 (+VAT).

Proposed: Cllr Allen

Seconded: Cllr Smith

2018/060 General Data Protection Regulations

It was agreed to re-draft the list of information held by the Parish Council to take account of the latest suggestions from the YLCA. The Clerk had been asked by Leeds City Council to remind members of the Parish Council to review their Declarations of Interest as shown on the Leeds City Council website.

2018/061 Variation to the agenda

RESOLVED: to vary the agenda to receive an update from the Ward Member.

2018/062 Ward Member's update

Cllr Neil Buckley advised the meeting that some anti dog-fouling posters have been posted on footpaths in Collingham. It was agreed that Parish Councillors should contact Cllr Buckley if they have any suggested locations.

Cllr Buckley gave an update about the proposal to donate funds to improve local shopping parades in Leeds. Cllr Buckley approached the owners of the parade of shops on The Avenue who had complained about the out-of-service red telephone box outside the shops. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact BT Business to ask for more information about their 'Adopt a Kiosk scheme'

2018/063 Possible sites for a Little Free Library

After some discussion it was agreed to investigate the potential to site a Little Free Library on the Village Green. Cllr Acharya agreed to contact Carry Franklin to ask how difficult it would be to locate a Little Free Library on an existing tarmac base. She also agreed to query the total funding necessary to purchase and install the Little Free Library. The Parish Council agreed to the additional £100 funding to install the library, should this be necessary.

2018/064 Meeting dates for 2019

It was agreed to accept the meeting dates for 2019.

2018/065 Agenda items for the next meeting

- Annual Meeting of the Parish
- Little Free Library
- Adopt a Kiosk
- Bus priority consultation – underway as part of 'Connecting Leeds'

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2018/066 Chairman's remarks and items of correspondence

Cllr Greenberg gave an update about the recent branch meeting of the YLCA.

Cllr Smith agreed to contact Roger Gilbert from the Friends of Adel Woods and ask him to speak at the Annual Parish Meeting.

Cllr Allen agreed to contact Alwoodley in Bloom to ask if they would like to provide a speaker for the Annual Parish Meeting.

2018/067 Date of the next Parish Council meeting

The next Parish Council meeting will take place on 9th April 2018 at 7.30pm at the ACA.