ALWOODLEY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the Parish Council meeting
held on Monday 1st July 2019
at Alwoodley Community Hall

Commenced: 7.30pm
Concluded: 8.45pm

Present: Cllr L. Buckley (Chairman)
Cllr N. Buckley
Cllr Ian Greenberg
Cllr Williams
Cllr Smith
Cllr Hainsworth
Cllr Fryer
Cllr Black

Clerk: Rebecca Crabtree

1920/052 Introduction from the chairman
Cllr L. Buckley welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1920/053 Public participation
There were 6 members of public present.
Four members of the public had concerns regarding the travellers that were on the rugby field recently. They asked for an update about the access to the rugby field and if a barrier was going to be installed as it is a vulnerable site, not just for travellers but also motorcycles.
Cllr N. Buckley gave an update about the situation and made all aware that he was waiting for a response from Leeds City Council for their plans to ensure that areas are protected in the Village. Cllr N. Buckley told the residents he would update them as soon as possible.

1920/054 Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960
None

1920/055 To receive any apologies for absence
Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Towns, Cllr Illingworth and Cllr White.

1920/056 Declaration of disclosable pecuniary and other interests
None.

1920/057 To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate
None.
1920/058 Minutes of previous meeting
Resolved: To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 3rd June 2019.
Proposed: Cllr Greenberg
Seconded: Cllr L. Buckley

1920/059 Matters arising from the minutes and updating the Decision List
Faulty lights – The Clerk is awaiting a response to confirm that the repairs have been completed and agreed to contact them again.

1920/060 To receive updates (if any) from the Parish Council’s working parties
- WW1 Commemorative garden – Cllr Williams confirmed that weather permitting, the work will commence the week beginning 8th July 2019.
- Band Concert – Cllr L. Buckley gave an update. Due to bad weather, the concert was cancelled within 10 minutes of starting. An installation of a band stand on the Village Green was discussed and all agreed to add it to the next agenda.

1920/061 To receive an update from the Ward member
Cllr N. Buckley gave an update on the travellers that were in Alwoodley recently. The clean-up has taken place at the Park and Ride but is yet to be completed at the rugby field. Leeds City Council are currently looking at barrier options for the Park and Ride and have revised their plan for the new Park and Ride site which now includes a barrier. The first council meeting for the Climate Emergency is taking place on 2nd July 2019.

1920/062 To receive the minutes from the Planning Committee and to receive an update about the recent meeting
The minutes from the Planning Committee on the 3rd June 2019 were received. These had been approved at the Planning Committee meeting.
Cllr L. Buckley gave an update about the July Planning Committee meeting. There were 10 planning applications on the agenda which included 4 applications for tree removals.
An application on Alwoodley Lane has now been approved which had been refused previously and an application on The Valley for a new dwelling has been refused.
The council objected to an application on King Lane as they had concerns for the overdevelopment of the site and parking.

1920/063 Finance Matters
a) To note the schedule of payments
Resolved: That the schedule of payments are approved and signed by the chairman.
b) To accept the RFO’s report
Resolved: That the RFO’s report was approved.
c) To agree to pay Leeds City Council £5000 towards the new playground equipment
Resolved: To agree the amount of £5000 towards the play equipment.
d) To agree for two councillors to attend YLCA course at a cost of £230
Resolved: To agree the amount of £230 for the YLCA training.

1920/064 To accept the estimate from Retford Glass to refurbish the telephone kiosk and to set a budget of £2,300 for the renovation and fitting out with shelves
Resolved: To accept the estimate of £2300 to refurbish the telephone kiosk.
Proposed: Cllr Williams
Seconded: Cllr Smith

1920/065 To discuss and agree a request for a memorial bench to be installed near the new playground equipment
A resident had requested for a memorial bench to be installed near the new play equipment. The Clerk had attended a site visit and sent councillor’s photographs of potential areas a bench could be installed.
It was noted that the Council had previously agreed that no more benches were to be installed on the Village Green but as there was new equipment, it was agreed that the policy should now be amended.

Resolved: To amend the policy to allow for two benches to be installed in the vicinity of the new playground equipment.

Proposed: Cllr Hainsworth
Seconded: Cllr Greenberg

Cllrs agreed for the bench to be installed between the tree and new swing, looking towards all play equipment.

Cllr L. Buckley requested the Clerk to contact Vicky Nunn’s at Leeds City Council to liaise with the resident.

1920/066 To discuss the maintenance of the metal playground equipment

Cllr Fryer raised his health and safety concerns about the play equipment. It was noted that the equipment is Leeds City Council responsibility and Cllr’s requested the Clerk to email the relevant department along with photos.

1920/067 To discuss grass verge parking

Grass verge parking was discussed. Cllr Fryer requested for some signs to be placed on The Avenue. Cllr L. Buckley asked him to send the addresses to the Clerk who would then contact the lengthsman to place them in a suitable position.

1920/068 To discuss the possibility of a Circus visiting Alwoodley Village Green in 2020

A circus had been in touch about the possibility of visiting the Village Green. The Clerk had collated information and references which were read out to all Cllr’s

The Cllr’s discussed this and had concerns about parking, security, traffic, damage to the green as it can get waterlogged, the size of the site and the space that the Circus would need.

Resolved: that the Village Green is not a suitable site for a circus and therefore it would not be feasible.

Cllr N. Buckley requested the Clerk to contact Leeds City Council with their decision.

1920/069 To agree to continue the funding of the wildflower beds for 2019/2020 at a cost of up to a total of £1916 (as per our precept budget)

Resolved: To agree to continue the funding of the wildflower beds.

Proposed: Cllr L. Buckley
Seconded: Cllr Fryer

Cllr L. Buckley agreed to liaise with Parks and Countryside.

1920/070 To discuss and agree a replacement to Cllr L. Buckley on the planning committee

Cllr L. Buckley withdrew from the Planning Committee and asked if any of the Cllr’s would wish to volunteer to be a member of the committee. Cllr Black volunteered to be a member and Cllr L. Buckley thanked him.

1920/071 To discuss and agree preparations for the Jazz Concert in August

Cllr L. Buckley requested the Clerk to contact the ACA and ask if we could borrow 5 chairs for the concert.

It was noted that the banners and bunting would be put up a week before the concert.

1920/072 To invite a volunteer to attend the YLCA Joint Annual Meeting – 13th July at 2.00pm in Wetherby

Cllr Greenberg agreed to attend the meeting.

1920/073 To consider the Clerks CILCA training request

All Cllr’s agreed the Clerks training request.

1920/074 Agenda items for the next Parish Council meeting

- Band stand
- Photographs
- Dog bag dispensers
- The lengths man hourly rate
- Communication including Clerks fact sheet
- Road alterations

Copies of the minutes of this meeting will be available on the Parish Council website: www.alwoodleyparishcouncil.org

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1920/075 Chairman’s remarks and correspondence
Cllr L. Buckley requested the new Cllr’s to contact the lengths man via email if they see any areas in the village that require attention such as overgrown hedges. It was agreed to CC the Clerk in the email.

1920/076 To agree the date of the next Parish Council meeting
The next meeting will be held on Monday 2nd September 2019 at 7.30pm at the Alwoodley Community Hall.