



Alwoodley Parish Council Full Council Meeting

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 2nd March 2020

Present: Cllr L. Buckley (Chairman)
Cllr N. Buckley
Cllr Greenberg
Cllr Williams
Cllr Towns
Cllr Smith
Cllr Black
Cllr Illingworth
Cllr Hainsworth

In the absence of the Clerk due to illness notes were taken at the meeting by Cllrs. L. Buckley, Smith and Williams.

1920/178 Introduction from the chairman

Cllr L. Buckley welcomed everyone to the meeting.

1920/179 Public participation

Two members of the public were present. One complained about tree branches being blown down on King Lane opposite the golf club in the recent storm and not being cleared away. The resident also queried the safety on the trees in the area and whether LCC had done a survey. He also mentioned that a drain had been blocked and debris deposited on King Lane opposite Crag Lane. Debris resulting partially from the blocked drain and partially from items being deposited due to the heavy rain.

Cllr L. Buckley suggested that in the first instance the Lengthsman should look at the extent of the debris and see if he was able to remove it, but that the responsibility ultimately lay with LCC to make sure that drains remained cleared. She also requested Cllrs to advise of any drains they knew of which repeatedly cause flooding in heavy rain.

1920/180 To receive apologies and approve reasons for absence

Apologies were received and approved by Cllr Fryer.

1920/181 Declaration of interest

a) To receive any declarations of interest not already declared under the councils code of conduct or members Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests

None

b) To receive, consider and decide upon any applications for dispensation

None

1920/182 To confirm minutes of meeting held on 3rd February 2020 as a true and accurate record

Cllr Hainsworth's name was omitted from the attendees at the February meeting.

Resolved to approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 3rd February 2020 with the amendment.

1920/183 To receive information on the following ongoing issues, the Decision List and decide further action where necessary:

a) To receive an update on the King Lane footpath

The meeting concerning King Lane Footway had been postponed following LCC's Chris Proctor being ill. The meeting will be rearranged when he returns to work, but the date for this is not known.

A meeting will be held on 12th March with members of the Compliance Team regarding the possible installation of CCTV on the village green. A report on this will be given at the April meeting.

Cllr Hainsworth reported that the new "No Entry" white lining in front of the King Lane shops had been carried out.

b) To receive an update on the defibrillator

Cllr Illingworth confirmed that the defibrillator has been installed on the exterior wall of the ACA. It is fully operational and the ambulance service have been made aware of it. It is necessary to ring 999 before it can be operated. The ACA is currently discussing where a sign should be placed to advertise its location.

Cllr Black reported that there is also a defibrillator inside the Tesco Express store on King Lane.

c) To consider and agree the arrangements for the additional Band Concert for VE Day including considering the cost of a band at £220 for 2 hours & hire of generator at £25.20 + petrol.

Resolved to go ahead with the arrangements for the additional concert on the village green to commemorate VE Day, hiring the Chris White Band for 2 hours at £220 and a small generator at £25.20 + petrol. It was suggested that a further check be made to ensure that the generator would not be too noisy. One member of the public suggested that the Allotment Association could lend their generator and Cllr Illingworth mentioned that the Scouts could also offer the use of one. However, it was decided to go with the original one and they were thanked for their offers.

d) To consider installing LED Speed signs

Resolved to defer this item to the next meeting due to Chris Proctor being ill.

e) To agree and confirm arrangements for the Annual Parish Meeting

Friends of Adel Woods confirmed they will send a speaker.

Alwoodley in Bloom will supply a report for the meeting but a representative will be unable to attend the meeting.

It was confirmed that someone will be talking about and giving a demonstration of the defibrillator. Cllr Black to inform Clerk when named speaker is known.

It was noted that the Clerk had not received a response from the Neighbourhood Police Team or LCC Lights department. The Clerk will be requested to contact the Police Team again.

It was suggested that a member of the Allotment Association could be asked to give a short talk as well as someone from LCC re their Climate Change policy. It was emphasised that, with the exception of the demonstration of the defibrillator, speakers were advised that no talk should be longer than 10 mins.

1920/184 To receive updates (if any) from the Parish Council's working parties

Cllrs Smith and Cllr Williams reported that the Newsletter was almost finished and it was agreed that an A5 Flyer advertising the VE Day Concert based on the Clerk's design should be printed and included as an insert.

Cllr Towns reported a conversation he had with Ian MacKay from LCC Planning Department regarding revision of the Neighbourhood Plans. There is/will be a new ministerial team who will look at Neighbourhood Plans and it was agreed that no action should be taken until a White Paper is published.

Cllr Greenberg gave a report on the recent YLCA meeting he attended which had moved to a new venue for the next year. The meeting was dominated by a presentation from Cllr Walshaw on Climate Change but no details were given on LCC's policy.

1920/185 To receive an update from the Ward member

Cllr N. Buckley advised the meeting that the entire LCC fleet of vans were in the process of being converted to electric vehicles. Cllr N. Buckley mentioned that he had been in a meeting where emphasis had been put on the infrastructure of pathways and the benefits of walking for health. He took this as an ideal opportunity to press claims for the improvement of the King Lane Footway and, once the new development on Alwoodley Lane is completed, the possibility of a footpath from there joining up with this one. Cllr Buckley is intending to issue a press release about this.

1920/186 To receive the minutes from the Planning Committee and to receive an update about the recent meeting

Cllr White gave a report of the Planning Committee meeting. The Committee had objected to the demolition of the cottage at Burden Head Farm and were disappointed that the Planning Department had given their approval for this. The revised application for Headingley Golf Club concentrated on the car park which is in Adel and therefore not in our Parish. It is estimated that there will be 15 – 20 lorry movements per day which *will* affect the Parish and the Committee will be making stronger objection comments.

The Committee discussed four applications which were not contentious. They had noted that an appeal had been lodged in respect of 658 King Lane, but as their previous comments would be read by the Planning Inspector there was no need for them to comment further on this.

1920/187 Financial matters

a) To note and approve the schedule of payments

Resolved that the schedule of payments are approved.

b) To receive the RFO's Report

The RFOs report was noted.

c) To agree to contribute towards the Clerks SLCC membership at a cost of £21

Resolved to agree the cost of the SLCC membership.

d) To agree to re-appoint Voluntary Action Leeds to carry out the Parish Council's internal audit for 2019/2020

Resolved to appoint Voluntary Action Leeds.

1920/188 Matters requested by councillors

a) To consider a request to plant wildflowers on Nursery Grove (LB)

Cllr L. Buckley had spoken to the resident who requested wild flowers in a small area on Nursery Grove and had visited the site. She explained that the plot was too small for LCC to plant wild flowers but would ask the Lengthsman to see what planting could be done there.

1920/189 To consider the following Correspondence received and decide action where necessary:

a) To consider a grant application

Cllr L. Buckley explained the history of similar applications in the past and how they did not fall within the remit of the Grant rules. It was suggested that the applicant be advised that this grant could not be given but were they to apply for a grant on behalf of the Guide or Brownie Pack as a whole it would be reconsidered.

It was agreed that the wording on the website would be changed to indicate that grant applications from individuals could not be considered, and that a more detailed explanation of the rules for grants would be drawn up and added to the website. Cllr White agreed to look into this.

b) To consider correspondence received from a resident

The Council had received a letter regarding litter on Wentworth Avenue. The Lengthsman would be asked to check this area and remove litter.

A further item of correspondence was received regarding a ramp that had been constructed by cyclists on Birkdale Drive. The lengthsman will be asked to look at this and, if not possible to complete the works, to contact LCC.

1920/190 To notify the clerk of matters for inclusion on the agenda of the next meeting

- Arrangements/speakers for the APM.
- CCTV
- King Lane footpath

1920/191 Chairman's remarks and correspondence

None

1920/192 To confirm the date of the next meeting as Monday 6th April 2020 in accordance with the agreed schedule

The next Parish Council meeting is to be held on 6th April 2020.