



Alwoodley Parish Council Full Council Meeting

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 4th November 2019

Commenced: 7.30pm

Concluded: 8.50pm

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

Clerk: Rebecca Crabtree

1920/125 Public Participation

There were 2 members of public present along with Cllr Harrand and Mr Procter from Leeds City Council Highways Department.

Issues were raised and discussed regarding increased traffic and speeding problems on the Sunningdale and Birkdale estate. It was noted that vehicles are using the route to avoid traffic on King Lane along with a number of other factors.

Mr Procter confirmed that the yellow box on the roundabout leading onto the roundabout near Allerton High school is going to be enlarged to avoid vehicles blocking the area.

Mr Procter agreed that he will arrange another survey that will look at the speed of the vehicles, number of vehicles, and the direction the vehicles go once at the Nursery Lane junction.

Speed calming measures were discussed.

1920/126 Introduction from the chairman

Cllr L Buckley welcomed everyone to the meeting and requested that Cllrs who are on the Planning Committee, whenever possible, give plenty of notice if they are unable to attend in order to ensure the meetings are quorate.

1920/127 Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960

None

1920/128 To receive any apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Illingworth and Cllr Towns.

1920/129 Declaration of disclosable pecuniary and other interests

None

1920/130 To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate

None

1920/131 Minutes of previous meeting

Resolved: To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 7th October 2019.

Proposed: Cllr Smith

Seconded: Cllr White

1920/132 Matters arising from the minutes and updating the Decision List

Festive lights - It was noted that all tree lights are now installed and switched on.

Accessibility Regulation 2018 - Cllr White gave an update about the website and made Cllrs aware that work is required to make it compliant with the Accessibility Regulations but there are no major concerns. The Clerk will start making changes.

Telephone kiosk – The clerk confirmed that work will commence once the weather improves.

1920/133 To receive updates (if any) from the Parish Council's working parties

None

1920/134 To receive an update from the Ward member

Cllr N. Buckley asked Cllrs about the possibility of having an extra band concert for the 75th anniversary of VE Day. The early May bank holiday in 2020 will move from Monday 4 May to Friday 8 May 2020. All agreed to hold a concert and requested the Clerk to contact LCC to find out if any brass bands were available who would be willing to play music associated with the 1940s" were available that weekend.

Cllr Fryer, Cllr Black and the Clerk agreed to organise the concert and the Clerk will contact the lengthsman to see if he is available on the day.

1920/135 To receive the minutes from the Planning Committee and to receive an update about the recent meeting

Cllr White gave an update. The Cllrs considered eight planning applications and objected to four, these included two previous applications on King Lane and The Valley that had been refused.

1920/136 Financial 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.

1920/137 To agree the cost of bio-degradable dog waste bags to a limit of £500 per year

Resolved: That the Parish Council would fund the waste bags and review in one year. The Clerk will order 20 cases of economy bio-degradable waste bags and request that they are delivered to Leeds City Council ready for them to refill the dispensers.

1920/138 To agree to fund two band concerts in 2020 at a cost of £400 and agree the dates of the concerts

Resolved: That the Parish Council will fund two summer concerts. The Brass concert will be held on 21st June and the Jazz concert will be held on 16th August 2020.

1920/0139 To agree the date to switch on the festive lights

Resolved: That the festive lights are to be switched on 1st December 2019.

1920/140 To agree to commission Streetscape to carry out the annual inspection of the fitness equipment at a price of £230 (plus VAT)

Resolved: To agree that Streetscape will carry out the inspection and that this is to be an automatic cost each year on the Schedule of Payments.

1920/141 To consider installing 1 or 2 LED speed signs for use in the Parish

Resolved: That this item is deferred to January 2020 and Cllr Fryer will prepare a detailed report.

1920/142 To consider the Local Electricity Bill and agree comments

This item was considered and there were no comments.

1920/143 To discuss and agree future projects

Cllr White gave an idea of setting up a 'friends of' scheme to support local people who maintain the woods and field at the back of the Granges that connects with St Andrews and Wentworth. Local volunteers would be required. This was discussed and Cllr White was advised to contact the Friends of Adel Woods to enquire how they set up the group and further information.

It was noted that the Woodland Trust are hosting a tree planting event and groups can receive free trees.

LCC are actively looking for sites for planting of trees to combat carbon pollution and it was suggested Cllr White contact Glen Gerner, LCC Forestry Department, regarding this.

1920/144 Agenda items for the next Parish Council meeting

- LED Speed signs
- Band concerts

1920/145 Chairman's remarks and correspondence

Cllr Greenberg gave an update about the recent YLCA conference.

It was noted that Mr Burgess has offered to help the Parish Council if the Neighbourhood Plan is amended.

1920/146 To agree the date of the next Parish Council meeting

The next meeting will take place on Monday 6th January 2020 at 7.30pm at the Alwoodley Community Hall.