



## Alwoodley Parish Council Full Council Meeting

### Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Monday 2<sup>nd</sup> September 2019

Commenced: 7.30pm

Concluded: 8.45pm

**Present:** Cllr L. Buckley (Chairman)  
Cllr N. Buckley  
Cllr Ian Greenberg  
Cllr Williams  
Cllr Hainsworth  
Cllr Fryer  
Cllr Towns  
Cllr Illingworth

Clerk: Rebecca Crabtree

#### **1920/077 Introduction from the chairman**

Cllr L. Buckley welcomed everyone to the meeting.

#### **1920/078 Public participation**

None

#### **1920/079 Public Bodies Admission to Meetings Act 1960**

None

#### **1920/080 To receive any apologies for absence**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr Black, Cllr Smith and Cllr White.

#### **1920/081 Declaration of disclosable pecuniary and other interests**

None

#### **1920/082 To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate**

None

#### **1920/083 Minutes of previous meeting**

**Resolved:** To approve the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 1<sup>st</sup> July 2019.

**Proposed:** Cllr Williams

**Seconded:** Cllr Fryer

#### **1920/084 Matters arising from the minutes and updating the Decision List**

The Clerk told councillors that she is waiting for an update from Leeds City Council regarding the playground inspection.

The Clerk explained that after numerous calls and emails to the company, she has still not received an official quote for the telephone box renovation.

The faulty light on King Lane has now been repaired.

#### **1920/085 To receive updates (if any) from the Parish Council's working parties**

**WW1 Commemorative Garden** – Cllr Williams confirmed that the planting will begin later this month.

**Neighbourhood plan** – Cllr Towns is going to request an update.

Copies of the minutes of this meeting will be available on the Parish Council website: [www.alwoodleyparishcouncil.org](http://www.alwoodleyparishcouncil.org).

Copies are also available upon request to the Parish Clerk,

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### **1920/086 To receive an update from the Ward member**

Cllr N. Buckley gave an update about the PACT meeting he had attended the same evening.

A resident had sent an email to the Parish Council about vandalism that had occurred on The Drive and this was discussed at the meeting. It had been brought to the Parish Councils attention that there is controlled substance activity within the Parish. Both of these issues are going to be investigated.

Parks and Countryside have drawn up a map of vulnerable sites as a result of the recent traveller's site in the Parish. They have installed temporary barriers and will be planting trees as a long term plan.

The owners of the businesses on King Lane have been in contact with Leeds City Council after the double yellow lines were painted. They are concerned that it is going to make a negative impact on their business due to the decrease in parking availability. Cllr N. Buckley asked the Cllr's their thoughts about the possibility of using the land next to the adult fitness equipment to increase the number of parking spaces. It was confirmed that it would not be funded by the Parish Council. This was discussed and Cllr's agreed it was a good idea.

### **1920/087 To receive the minutes from the Planning Committee and to receive an update about the recent meeting**

Cllr Towns explained he acted as Chairman at the Planning Committee in Cllr Whites absence.

One resident had queried if an approved application can be appealed by the objector.

There were 7 planning applications to consider and the committee only made a comment on one application where the Cllr's had a query about sufficient parking. All present Cllr's agreed that they would not make any further comments on the correspondence received and have requested the Clerk to reply to the resident acknowledging the email.

### **1920/088 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.

### **1920/089 To discuss a letter received from the Leeds Local Access Forum and consider whether to undertake an investigation of lost historical rights of way within the Parish**

**Resolved:** To include an item in the next newsletter requesting residents to contact the Parish Council if they are aware of any lost historical rights of way.

It was agreed that the footpath near Buckstone Oval and the footpath behind Blackmoor Court would be investigated.

The Footpath's and Open Space working Group will find out further information. Cllr Greenberg offered his assistance.

### **1920/090 To discuss and agree a request for memorial tree to be planted within the Parish**

**Resolved:** All Cllr's agreed for a memorial tree to be planted in the Parish and requested the Clerk to contact Leeds City Council Forestry Department for their expertise on this and will forward the residents details.

### **1920/091 To agree the cost of bio-degradable dog waste bags to a limit of £500 per year**

**Resolved:** To add this to the October agenda as further information is required. Cllrs requested the Clerk to find out how many dispensers are in the Parish, if there is a key for the dispenser, would LCC replenish the dispensers and if certain waste bags are required for the dispensers.

### **1920/092 To discuss and agree the lengthsman's hourly pay rate**

**Resolved:** To add a proposal to the October agenda to increase the hourly rate. The Clerk will research what different parish Councils pay the lengthsman and the increase percentage rate.

### **1920/093 To agree to publish the 2018-2019 fact sheet on the website**

**Resolved:** To add the fact sheet to the website and noticeboards.

**1920/094 To consider installing a band stand on the Village Green**

**Resolved:** That this project is to be looked at in the future due to the large financial costs.

**1920/095 To discuss the road alterations that are being carried out in Alwoodley**

Cllrs agreed the plateau's on King Lane had made a positive impact. It was noted that vehicles are now doing U-turns on King Lane after the alterations at the Sainsbury's exit.

**1920/096 To consider ways to elevate and re-enforce the value and the support that the Parish Council, give and offer**

Cllr Fryer suggested that the Parish Council needs to communicate and ensure that the community is aware what the Parish Council does for the area. This was noted by councillors.

**1920/97 To discuss the Councils legal duties to enrol the Clerk in a Pension Scheme**

**Resolved:** That the Clerk has chosen not to enrol in a pension at present. It was noted that the Parish Council is not legally obliged to automatically enrol the Clerk as she earns less than £10,000 for Alwoodley Parish Council as stated on [www.gov.uk](http://www.gov.uk). It was confirmed that the amount of £10,000 is for each workplace and therefore, the fact that she works elsewhere does not impact on Alwoodley Parish Council.

The Clerk will add the item to the agenda once she is ready to join a pension scheme.

**1920/98 Agenda items for the next Parish Council meeting**

- Ideas for future projects

**1920/099 Chairman's remarks and correspondence**

Cllr L. Buckley asked councillors to contact Alwoodley Allotments Society if they wish to visit the allotments. It was noted that Cllr's were unable to attend the Parks and Green Spaces Forum meeting.

**1920/100 To agree the date of the next Parish Council meeting**

The next Parish Council meeting is to be held on Monday 7<sup>th</sup> October 2019 at 7.30pm at the Alwoodley Community Hall.