

Parish Of Alfrick And Lulsley

Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 21st April 2009 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Alfrick.

Present:

Chairman; Mrs C Williams

Mrs S Tolley

Messrs; P Brown, A G Cooper, S V Glazzard, G Lowe, P Tebbit, G M Brewin (Clerk),

Apologies:

B Fishwick, R Jackson, Cllrs D Hughes (District Councillor), A Warburton (District Councillor)

Visitors:

Dr D Bradley (Parish Tree Warden), Mrs D Skyrme, Mrs R Mutter, Mr N Mutter, Mrs M Brewin.

Public Question Time prior to the formal meeting:

appendix -a - None

The formal meeting began at 7.30pm.

1. Apologies for absence from members.

The apologies from Cllrs B Fishwick & R Jackson were accepted.

2. Members' declarations of interest.

There were no declarations of interest in agenda items.

3. Reports; County & District Councillors, Parish Footpaths' Warden. Parish Tree Warden.

Reports; County and District Councillors, Parish Paths Warden, Parish Tree Warden, Village Hall Committee Member; See appendix - b

4. Confirm the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 17th March 2009 circulated in advance.

These were approved as a correct record and signed by the chairman.

5. Financial Matters;

- a) Approve - Annual Accounts for 2008-9, Draft circulated in advance. The clerk explained that the monthly account statements were not yet available so the year-end bank account amount could not be confirmed but this would not affect the income and expenditure statement. - The accounts were agreed. See appendix -c
- b) Approve payment, Clerk's expenses for January-March 2009, £121.88 - Agreed

6. Review Risk Assessment for 2009-10

The Risk Assessment Schedule was reviewed. see appendix -d

The Tree Warden was asked to make an informal report on the state of the trees in the Jubilee Plantation and those surrounding the Playing Field.

7. Planning Matters;

Consider a response to application; 09/00432/FUL, Two-storey extension - Whistlewood Cottage, Lulsley;

In accordance with the council's policy of asking planning approval applicants to make a supporting statement to the council the applicant Mr N Mutter said that Whistlewood Cottage at present had very limited accommodation and the proposal would enable it to be used as a family home. He planned to use local materials and a vernacular style for the extension similar to the existing building and the extension would enable him and his wife, both born in the village to continue their residency here.

After a discussion the council agreed to support this application which would change a small cottage with limited facilities into a family home.

8. Approve Spring Newsletter - circulated in advance.

Agreed. See appendix -e

9. Report; Sphere Taxi/Bus project; Cllr C Williams

Cllr Williams said that the Sphere Taxi scheme would end in June when the funds ran out.

10. Report; The informal group on Housing and Planning matters.

In the absence of the group convenor (Cllr R Jackson), Cllr P Tebbit took members through the final Design Statement which was then agreed. Members congratulated the group on a comprehensive survey of the village, its facilities and characteristics. It would be presented at the Annual Parish Meeting and also published on the council's websites.

11. Clerk's Report - Correspondence & Publications Received - circulated in advance

The clerk drew members' attention to the following items;

From	Subject
swjcs	Local Development Framework
ICO	DVD - Guidance on Freedom of Information
WCC	Bus Pass Information
WCC	Communities 'Green Space' Pack
Clement Keys	Annual Return
MHDC	Rural Lettings Policy
Allianz Insurance	Council Insurance renewal £645.21
Equality Commission	Rights and Responsibilities
Alfrick Village Hall	Playing Field maintenance

He would obtain a cost for improving the drainage of the Playing Field in the area by the main gateway and write to the Village Hall committee accordingly. He had obtained a very competitive alternative insurer for the Council Insurance and would schedule this for the May meeting

12. Arrangements for the Annual Parish Meeting - 12th May

It was agreed that as in previous years the council will fund the refreshments at this meeting (£50 aprox)

13. Items for the next meeting.

- a) Approve the council's insurance 2009-10
- b) Improved drainage for the Playing Field
- c) Confirm Risk Assessment 2009-10

14. Confirm the date of the next meeting; -

The annual meeting of the council would be held on Tuesday 19th May 2009 in the Village Hall Alfrick.

The meeting ended at 8.49pm

Chairman

e. H. Williams

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