

## Parish Of Alfrick And Lulsley

### Minutes of the Meeting of the Council held on Tuesday 20<sup>th</sup> November 2007 at 7.30pm in the Village Hall, Alfrick.

#### Present:

Chairman; Mrs C Williams

Mrs S Tolley

Messrs; P Brown, B Fishwick, S V Glazzard, R Jackson, G Lowe, B Roscoe ( From 7.55pm), P Tebbit, C Smith (County Councillor), D Hughes (District Councillor), G M Brewin (Clerk),

Apologies: A Warburton (District Councillor), D Fowler (Parish Tree Warden),

Visitors: None

#### Public Question Time prior to the formal meeting:

None

#### The formal meeting began at 7.30pm.

##### 1. Apologies for absence from members.

All members were present.

##### 2. Members' declarations of interest.

There were no declarations of interest in agenda items.

##### 3. Report - Mr P Hanson - Chairman; Alfrick and Lulsley Peace Memorial Hall Committee.

Mr Hanson explained that the new regulations for licensing activities at the Village Hall required a formal application to be made and a licensee to be nominated. In addition it would be necessary for large events on the Playing Field (owned by the parish council) to be licensed and in conjunction with the Alfrick & Lulsley Horticultural Show Committee, who were the main promoters of such events requiring a licence, they had concluded that a single licence to cover both locations would be most appropriate. After a discussion it was decided that the licensing procedure should go ahead and the council would formally confirm this at the January meeting.

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

Reports; County Councillor, District Councillor, Parish Paths Warden, Parish Tree Warden, Parish Paths Warden. See appendix - b

##### 5. Confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 16<sup>th</sup> October 2007 circulated in advance.

The minutes of the meeting had been circulated in advance. They were approved as a correct record and signed by the chairman.

##### 6. Financial Matters;

Consider the report of the Informal Finance Group on the Budget for 2008-9;

On behalf of the group Cllr P Tebbit presented a review of the financial situation - see appendix -c and recommended that; the Council makes provision in 2008/9 for increasing its reserve by £800 and that the Precept for 2008/09 be set at £9,000 (an increase of 5.9% over 2007/08)

This would be formally considered at the January meeting.

##### 7. Parish Plan Portfolio Holders to review progress towards the report at the January Meeting.

Members discussed the objectives agreed in the Parish Plan and the progress towards the implementation of these. The clerk would draw up a formal report with the format of the Parish Plan objectives and circulate this to members for their review prior to the January meeting.

##### 8. Report; Sphere Taxi Project; Cllr C Williams

Promotional leaflets including free journey vouchers had been distributed to all households in the parish and the scheme appeared to be working well.

##### 9. Report; The informal group on Housing and Planning matters. Cllr R Jackson

Cllr R Jackson reported that the group had decided to delay the introduction of the Parish Design Statement whilst it considered the implications of the South Worcestershire Joint Core Strategy for which the consultation period ended on 14<sup>th</sup> December.

##### 10. Report; Village Hall Committee; Cllr B Fishwick

This is attached as appendix -d.

**11. Report; Actions from the previous meeting & Correspondence & Publications Received - circulated in advance - Clerk**

There were no actions outstanding from the previous meeting.  
The clerk drew members' attention to the following;

SWJCS; Core Strategy Consultation - as noted previously this is an important long-term document and he urged members to study it.

Standards Board; Request for information - Code of Conduct He had sent a copy of the minutes of the last meeting to the Standards Board confirming the council's acceptance of code.

**12. Items for the next meeting.**

- a) Approve the Council's Winter Newsletter
- b) Approve the Budget and precept for 2008-9
- c) Review the Parish Design Statement
- d) Confirm the Village Hall and Playing Field Licence for public events
- e) Review the report of Cllr P Tebbit on the West Midlands Quality Councils Briefing.

**13. Confirm the date of the next meeting; - Tuesday January 15<sup>th</sup> 2008**

The meeting closed at 9.21pm

Chairman...

*e. H. Williams*

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