

Donington with Boscobel Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Donington with Boscobel Parish Council held on Tuesday 18th January 2022 At 7.00pm at the Red House

In attendance: Christine Jones, David Dale, Virginia Sankey, Robert Parry, Philip Ogle, David Williams, , David Beechey, Hugh Kirton and Parish Clerk (Vanessa Voysey)

21.118 Welcome by the Chair

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

21.119 Apologies for absence and reasons:

The following apologies were received and accepted by the Council:

Dawn Harper – ill health

Adrian Robinson – family commitment

21.120 Declarations of Interest: a) Pecuniary b) Personal

There were no declarations of pecuniary or personal interest at this time

21.121 Public Session:

There were no questions from Parish residents at this time

21.122 Minutes:

21.108 a) it was agreed to add the minute 'Cllr Parry's notes from a meeting held at the Nature Reserve on 14th December were discussed.'

Subject to this amendment, it was proposed, seconded and resolved to confirm the minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 21st December 2021

21.123 Matters Arising

a) **Flooding** – Cllr David Williams advised that he had report from AFLAG that dealt with flooding issues. It was agreed that this item would be dealt with in reports

b) **Memorial for former Councillor** – Cllr Christine Jones reported that she had purchased a tree for £14 and that she and Cllr Virginia Sankey had met with the farm manager to look at sites for planting it.

It was agreed for Cllr David Dale to arrange for a plaque for the tree and that wording would be similar to 'in memory of Cllr Malcolm White for his many years of service to Donington with Boscobel Parish Council.'

c) **Approbation 2022**– Cllr David Dale suggested that the Parish Clerk should contact the Albrighton Parish Clerk for any official updates regarding the a0pprobation event scheduled for May 7th 2022

- d) **Land Usage** – there was brief discussion on the possible costings for the land purchased by the Parish Council next to the Nature Reserve entrance, including signage, fencing and planters.

It was noted by Cllr David Dale that connection with electricity and water supplies needs to be done in conjunction with the care home neighbouring the land. He also commented that should be consultation with the Nature Reserve Management Committee about use of the land, although it is ultimately the decision of the Parish Council as owners.

It was agreed that the Parish Clerk should follow up quotes for the gates with Cllr David Dales.

21.124 New Business

a) **Budget**

It was proposed, seconded, and resolved to approve a budget of £35,512 for the financial year 2022-2023

The Parish Clerk was thanked for the work she had done on the budget.

b) **Precept**

It was proposed, seconded and **resolved** to approve a precept of £35,512 for the financial year 2022-2023

c) **War Memorial**

It was proposed, seconded, and **resolved** to contribute £100 towards the cost of £200 for repairing the War Memorial flagstones

d) **Albrighton Flyer**

It was proposed, seconded, and **resolved**, to grant a contribution of £2,500 towards the Albrighton Flyer for the financial year 2021-2022

e) **Albrighton Library**

It was proposed, seconded and **resolved**, to consider granting a contribution of £3,000 towards the Albrighton Library for the financial year 2021-2022

21.125 Correspondence: For Action

- a) Shropshire Council is holding a consultation on its budget proposals, responses are due by 16th February <https://www.shropshire.gov.uk/get-involved/budget-consultation-20222023/>

This was noted, members present suggested individual responses rather than a Parish Council response.

21.126 Correspondence: For Information

The following were noted:

- a) **Shropshire Rural Community Council now Community Resource** - a certificate of membership has been sent via email from Shropshire Rural Community Council. The organisation has also notified that Parish Council that it has changed its name to Community Resource.
- b) **Proposed Road Closure, Burnhill Green Road** – 26th February to 15th March, Monday to Sunday 9.30 to 16.00 for Site 305 Pre-Dressing Patching Works to include Patching, overlay, carriageway haunching, type-1, ironwork raising, ironwork replacement, sumpless gully, soakaway gully, concrete grip, ditch cleaning, road marks. Shropshire Council works promoter.

21.127 Planning

- a) **Applications:** there were none at this time
- b) **Permission Granted:** there none at this time
- c) **Permission Refusals:** there none at this time
- d) **Any other planning matters:** there was none at this time

21.128 Finance.

a) Payments –

It was proposed, seconded, and **resolved**, to approve the following payments:

Clerk	Clerk's salary (January)	£558.23	LGA 1972 s 112 (2)
HMRC	Tax (January)	£27.20	LGA 1972 s.112 (2)
Clerk	Travel expenses (January) Admin expenses (Parish Magazine)	£27 £28	LGA 1972 s.112 (2)

b) Income received

The following was noted:

Dividend (Public Sector Deposit Fund) - £3.06 for statement end 31st December 2021

c) Spend to Date

It was proposed, seconded and **resolved**, to receive and approve the following:

Bank Reconciliation –the bank reconciliation until the end of December 2021

Spend to Date –the spend to date to the end of December 2021

21.129 Reports:

(a) SALC: Cllr D. Beechey advised that there was nothing to report at this time.

(b) RAF Cosford: Sq. Ldr. C. Wilson has reported that tickets for RAF Cosford 2022 are now on sale; a small woodland area will be planted in Cosford as part of the Queen's Green Canopy; plans are underway to take part in a Beating Retreat to be held in Birmingham as part of the Jubilee celebrations.

(c) Nature Reserve Report : the Chairman filed a written report in advance of the meeting

(d) Albrighton Village Halls Trust: Cllr H. Kirton advised that there was nothing to report at this time

(e) AFLAG – Albrighton Flood Action Group: Cllr David Williams reported that AFLAG had met with the Environment Agency, Shropshire Council and national flood teams, and had visited everywhere there was flooding problems. A £4M pot of money has been made available to Shropshire that will be divided into four pots, this will not necessarily be evenly but Albrighton will be one of the four. Infrastructure work will be going ahead.

(f) Clerk's Report – the memorial bench has arrived and is waiting to be put in place. The invoice total is for £1022.40 including £105 of V.A.T. This had arrived after the publication of the Agenda but was due before the next meeting.

It was agreed that the invoice be paid (the bench cost having been agreed already by Council) and the item placed on the list of payments for the next meeting.

It was agreed that the Parish Clerk should contact a local builder regarding placing the bench on site. It was noted that this would incur some additional costs and that this would be likely to include fixing posts.

(g) Royal British Legion: Cllr David Williams noted that the first meeting of the year would be held on 19th January

(h) Footpaths: Cllr Virginia Sankey has attended meetings of the Footpath Committee and in has reported on footpaths in the area.

21.130 Training

Training information is available on: www.alcshropshire.co.uk/training

21.131 Date of the Next Meeting 15.2.22

Items for the agenda to be notified to the clerk by **5.2.22**