

Donington with Boscobel Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Donington with Boscobel Parish Council held on Tuesday 19th October 2020 at 7.00pm at the Red House

In attendance: Cllrs Christine Jones, Adrian Robinson, David Williams, Robert Parry, Virginia Sankey, David Beechey, and Parish Clerk (Vanessa Voysey)

21.71 Welcome by the Chair

The Chairman, Christine Jones, welcomed everyone to the meeting

21.72 Apologies for absence and reasons:

Cllr David Dale – Personal Commitment
Cllr Philip Ogle – Health Reasons
Cllr Dawn Harper – Health Reasons
Cllr Hugh Kirton – Health Reasons

The above apologies were accepted

21.73 Declarations of Interest: a) Pecuniary b) Personal

No disclosable interests were declared at this time

21.74 Public Session:

There were no questions from the public at this time

21.75 Minutes:

It was proposed, seconded and **resolved** to approve minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 20th September 2021

Robert Parry said that the oak tree that need replanting in a suitable site (minute 21.57) is more than just an oak tree, it was presented to Prince Charles 20 years ago.

21.76 Matters Arising

- a) **Flooding** – there were no developments on flooding issues in and near the parish to discuss at this time. Cllr Adrian Robinson noted that flood warnings had been issued for the week of the meeting.
- b) **Flooding Proposal by Cllr Robert Parry** – it was agreed to defer discussion the the report and proposal relating to the Humphreston Brook prepared by Cllr Parry until next meeting, as a tree officer will be visiting the site at the end of October. It was agreed to send the proposal to Shropshire Council's Head of Environmental Policy and to the Environment Agency, with a copy to Shropshire Councillor Ed Bird, requesting any comments on it.

- c) **Telephone Box on Shackerley Lane** – a letter has been drafted for residents of Shackerley Lane about plans to renovate the telephone box. Cllrs Robinson and Parry said that they were happy to have their details included on it. Cllr Robinson said that he had already spoken to some residents and that the feedback had been positive.
- d) **Memorial for former Councillor** – it was agreed to approach a local landowner about locating a suitable site to plant a tree commemorating the service of former Cllr Malcolm White

21.77 New Business

- a) **Car Park Maintenance** – it was noted that an arrangement was in place with John Parry who maintains the car park through the summer and clears the area every summer. Mr Parry also maintains the closed churchyard – it was noted this was not part of the work paid for by the Parish Council.

Cllr Virginia Sankey commented on the littering in the corner of the car park and said that consideration could be given to trimming the hedge and the entrance. The Chairman, Cllr Christine Jones, said she would go and have a look at the area.

- b) **Approbation 2022** – Cllr David Beechey said that the date of the approbation event scheduled for May 7th 2022 had been agreed between R.A.F Cosford's Station Commander and the Chair of Albrighton Parish Council. Cllr Christine Jones said that she and Cllr David Dale had met with the Station Commander at his invite and that this had been mentioned. Cllr Adrian Robinson said that a joint committee had been suggested by Albrighton Parish Council, there was general agreement that this could be an appropriate way forwards.

Budgeting considerations were noted by Councillors present, and the appropriateness of a lavish event in the current times. Cllr Christine Jones said that there were options to scale down the event that could be put under consideration, and Cllr David Williams noted that a civic reception is not a requirement. Cllr Adrian Robinson reported that Albrighton Parish Council had raised the suggestion that Councillors could pay for their own meal.

Cllr Christine Jones, in the Chair, reported on the meeting with the Station Commander, with key points of discussion including:

- 1) The Parish Council had been offered a quarterly page of an online newsletter for camp residents. It was suggested that this might include the Parish Clerk's contact information and details on how to report problems such as potholes with 'My Shropshire'.
 - 2) The lack of dedicated cycling paths and poor state of footpaths had been raised as an issue. Cycling on Newport Road was considered to be dangerous.
 - 3) An area has been designated for participation in the Queen's Green Canopy project.
- c) **Albrighton Flood Action Group (AFLAG)** – Cllrs Christine Jones and David Williams are representative of AFLAG. Both had been invited to the meeting at the end of October.

21.78 Correspondence: For Action

- a) Senior Citizen's Christmas Lunch – correspondence was received from the Red House following the publication of the agenda. It requested that the Parish Council consider a donation towards the cost of festive food.

It was noted that £300 had been included in the budget for this purpose.

It was proposed, seconded and **resolved** to grant £300.

21.79 Correspondence: For Information.

The following was noted:

- a) **Road Closure** – Newport Road, 2nd November to 3rd November 2021, Shropshire Council, to enable ditch clearance and drainage works
- b) **Road Closure** – (received after the publication of the agenda) High House Lane, Albrighton, 8th November to 10th November 2021, Severn Trent Water, new water connection
- c) **Shropshire Rural Community Council** – the Parish Council has been invited to the Annual General Meeting of the Community Council of Shropshire (Shropshire RCC) on Wednesday 3 November 2021
- d) **RAF Cosford** - Squadron Leader Wilson has invited the Parish Council to a visit of the base on Tuesday 16 November at 13.00pm
- e) **English Heritage** – (received after the publication of the agenda) a formal thank you has been offered to the Parish Council for its donation to Boscobel House

21.80 Planning

a) Applications:

21/04551/FUL Boscobel House, Boscobel Lane, Shackerley , Bishops Wood ST19 9AR: Enlargement and improvements to the car park, provision of additional surface water drainage, and the installation of a new foul drainage package treatment plant, together with associated landscaping, including tree and hedgerow planting

No objection

b) Permission Granted:

The following were noted:

21/02868/FUL Installation of 1 No side window at first floor and 1 No ventilation window at ground floor, 7-8 Syndal Lane, Albrighton, WV7 3NB

21/04081/DIS Discharge of Conditions 3 (External Materials/Finishes) 6 (External Lighting) 8 (Tree Protection and Method Statement) 10 (Bat/Bird Boxes) associated with planning application number 21/01354/FUL, Wyvale Garden Centres Plc, Nursery Garden Centre, Newport Road, Albrighton, Wolverhampton, WV7 3EE

21/03830/FUL Erection of two storey side extension and single storey rear extension following removal of existing conservatory, 15 Windsor Road, Albrighton, WV7 3PY

The following decision was received after the arrival of the agenda and was noted:

21/04166/FUL, Erection of part two storey side and single storey rear extensions, 10 Brooklands Road, Albrighton, WV7 3DW

c) **Permission Refusals:** none at this time

d) **Any other planning matters:** none at this time

21.81 Finance.

a) It was proposed, seconded and **resolved** to approve the following payments –

Clerk	Clerk's salary (October)	£558.30	LGA 1972 s 112 (2)
HMRC	Tax (October)	£27.	LGA 1972 s.112 (2)
Clerk	Travel expenses (October)	£27	LGA 1972 s.112 (2)
Unity Bank	Service Charge	£18	LGA 1972 s.111
Ian Henery Solicitor (retrospective)	Legal Costs, Land Registry Fee	£7891	LGA 1972 s.111

b) Income received

The following was noted:

Dividend (Public Sector Deposit Fund) - £1.88 for statement end 30th September 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 September 2021

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

21.82 Reports:

(a) SALC: Cllr D. Beechey. The Finance Committee has met, an extra member of staff is needed and the budget will increase next year to include this requirement.

(b) RAF Cosford: Sq. Ldr. C. Wilson. A written report had been filed prior to the meeting and circulated to Parish Councillors.

(c) Nature Reserve Report: none at this time

(d) Albrighton Village Halls Trust: none at this time

(e) AFLAG : Cllr Robert Parry requested that problems on Long Lane be raised again as an issue.

(f) Clerk's Report: correspondence had been received from the Chair of Albrighton Parish Council about a joint Christmas Party. This has been circulated to Councillors.

Other Reports:

(g) Royal British Legion – Remembrance Sunday

Cllr David Williams said that the parade would be on 14th November starting at the Red House between 10.30 and 10.40 am and that as many Councillors as possible were requested. It had been traditional for the Parish Council to lay a wreath and to make a donation to the Royal British Legion.

It was proposed, seconded, and **resolved**, to donate £50 to the Royal British Legion.

(h) Albrighton Fayre: Cllr Robert Parry said that the proposed date was 9th July. He asked if the Parish Council was in favour of a re-distribution of the Fayre magazine and there was agreement on this point.

(i) Volunteers Event: Cllr David Beechey said that a volunteers event held in the Red House had been successful and suggested that the Parish Council holds a stand in a future event.

21.83 . Training

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

21.84 Confidential Session

PUBLIC BODIES (ADMISSION TO MEETINGS) ACT 1960

Pursuant to Section 1(2) of the above Act and due to the confidential nature of the following business to be transacted it will be PROPOSED, SECONDED, and RESOLVED that the public and press should not be present

21.85. Correspondence paperwork regarding the sale of land to the Parish Council is being prepared by its solicitors and will be sent in due course.

21.86 Date of the Next Meeting 23.11.21

Items for the agenda to be notified to the clerk by **13.11.21**