

Donington with Boscobel Parish Council

Minutes of the Meeting of Donington with Boscobel Parish Council held on Tuesday 15th February 2022 at 7.00pm at the Red House

In attendance: Cllrs Christine Jones, David Dale, Virginia Sankey, Philip Ogle, Dawn Harper, David Williams, Adrian Robinson, David Beechey, and Parish Clerk Vanessa Voysey

21.132 Welcome by the Chair

The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting

21.133 Apologies for absence and reasons:

The Council, considered and accepted the following apologies for absence:

Cllr Robert Parry –health
Cllr Hugh Kirton – health

21.134 Declarations of Interest: a) Pecuniary b) Personal

Cllr Adrian Robinson declared a personal interest in agenda item 7b) as his daughter is a member of the scouts.

21.135 Public Session:

There were no questions from the public at this time.

21.136 Minutes:

It was proposed, seconded, and **resolved** to confirm the minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 18th January 2022

21.137 Matters Arising

- a) **Memorial for former Councillor** – Cllr Christine Jones reported that this project is now completed. Cllr Jones, Cllr David Dale and Cllr Virginia Sankey, met with members of Malcolm White's family and planted an English Oak tree beside a commemorative plaque on an oak post. The family is very pleased with it. It was requested that the Parish Clerk writes to the landowner to thank him for his permission.
- b) **Approbation 2022**– an update was provided about the approbation event scheduled for May 7th 2022, requests to quote have been prepared for printed invitations, flowers and catering. There was some discussion about protocol, invitees, and the number of attendees. It was suggested that the Working Party should meet prior to the meeting at R.A.F Cosford.

It was **agreed** that the matter of organisation and invitations should be left to the Working Party, all in favour.

c) Land Usage

The Parish Clerk reported that three companies advertising in the Albrighton Parish Magazine had been emailed about possible costings of fencing on the land purchased by the Parish Council next to the Nature Reserve. Quotes were awaited. The company search would be widened if necessary to obtain three quotes.

Cllr David Dale reported that he and a member of the Nature Reserve Management Committee had measured the land and drawn a diagram of it. It was estimated that the materials required would be approximately £537.90. The type of fencing is known as motorway fencing and would stretch across the boundary between the grass and tarmac, the length being approx. 30.5m.

21.138 New Business

a) Cricket Club Grant

There was consideration of the request for grant funding from the Cricket Club

It was proposed, seconded and **resolved** to offer the Cricket Club £1000 in grant funding

b) Albrighton Scouts Grant

There was consideration of the request for grant funding from Albrighton Scouts. Cllr Adrian Robinson noted that his daughter is a member of the scout group and that he would not vote on this item.

It was proposed, seconded, and **resolved** to offer Albrighton Scouts £1000 in grant funding

c) Memorial Bench

It was noted that Cllr Parry had moved the date of the placement of the Memorial Bench at the Medical Practice to Saturday 26th February at 10am, all Councillors were welcome to attend.

It was **agreed** to fund the costs of labour and fixings to place the bench, up to £300, all in favour.

d) Albrighton Parish Council War Memorial Working Group

Consideration was given to electing a councillor to represent Donington with Boscobel Parish Council at the War Memorial Working Group and to commit financial support for the project up to a set agreed figure.

It was proposed, seconded, and **resolved** to elect Cllr David Williams to represent the Parish Council at the War Memorial Working Group.

Cllr David Williams gave an update from the Working Party meeting that he had attended on behalf of the Royal British Legion. The next meeting had been scheduled for 24th February 2022.

Cllr Williams reported that the War Memorial needs to be removed, restored and replaced. The work must be undertaken with the requirements of the Memorial's Grade II Listed status. The approximate total cost of the works would be £20,000, three quotes were being sought for this work. He recommended that the Parish Council considered financially contributing towards the cost of this work.

It was **agreed** that the Parish Council would consider supporting the initiative

e) Councillor Clerk Relations Policy

It was proposed, seconded, and **resolved** to renew the Councillor Clerk Relations policy

f) Refurbishment of road signage and bus shelters

There was discussion on the need for refurbishment and replacement of road signage in the Parish. Cllr Virginia Sankey noted that some signs looked shabby or had been damaged in accidents. She said that she had spoken to the Signage Technician at Shropshire Council who had advised that each item be submitted in turn and put on file for action. Councillors present suggested that the information should also be passed to the ward's Shropshire Councillor for follow up. Cllr Philip Ogle noted that he had spoken to Shropshire Council about the displaced Rectory Road sign and that he had been advised this would be re-sited.

It was **agreed** that information about signs be logged through My Shropshire using grid references and pictures.

Cllr Virginia Sankey noted that the bus shelter on the A41 by the caravan site looks in need of some maintenance, and that the windows were green. Cllr Christine Jones suggested that she liaise with the Parish Clerk regarding the contact at R.A.F Cosford who had raised interest in undertaking community projects.

21.139 Correspondence: For Action

- a) Shropshire Council's Country Parks and Heritage Sites Manager (South) has requested that the Parish Council considers offering a grant of £2000 in the financial year 22-23. A report has been filed in advance. If the Parish Council agrees then a new funding agreement will be sent to it.

It was proposed, seconded and **resolved** to support the request for a supporting grant of £2000.

21.140 Correspondence: For Information

The following were noted:

- a) **Proposed Road Closure:** Pattingham Lane, Albrighton, 23rd to 31st March 2022, 9:30-16:00, Site 209 Prep works for surface dressing, Kier on behalf of Shropshire Council
- b) **Proposed Road Closure:** Woodhouse Lane, Albrighton, 19th April 2022, 9:30-15:30, BT – pole testing.

- c) **Proposed Road Closure:** Beamish Lane, Albrighton, 21st to 22nd April 2022, to rectify utility defect within carriageway, Western Power Distribution
- d) **Shrewsbury and Telford NHS Trust** - the Public Participation Unit at the Shrewsbury Telford NHS Trust has sent information on its services. Filed in advance. Membership is open to individuals and groups and is free.

21.141 Planning

a) Applications:

Received after the publication of the Agenda

Reference: 22/00482/FUL (validated: 03/02/2022)

Address: White Ladies Farm Barns, Shackerley Lane, Cosford, Albrighton, Shropshire

Proposal: Conversion of outbuilding to one dwelling (resubmission)

View online at: <http://pa.shropshire.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=R6OYDTTDL8P00>

To file: neutral, no objection

b) Permission Granted:

The following was noted:

Reference: 21/05549/FUL (validated: 03/12/2021)

Address: Caravan Site, Garden Centre And Premises, Bowling Green Lane, Albrighton, Wolverhampton, Shropshire, WV7 3HB

Proposal: Application under Section 73A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 for the temporary change of use of land for the siting of 8 No. static caravans for use as specialist/seasonal horticultural worker accommodation

View online at: <http://pa.shropshire.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=R33BGHTDJT000>

Reference: 21/04551/FUL (validated: 04/10/2021)

Address: Boscobel House, Boscobel Lane, Shackerley, Bishops Wood, ST19 9AR

Proposal: 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

View online at: <http://pa.shropshire.gov.uk/online-applications/applicationDetails.do?activeTab=summary&keyVal=QZQVE3TDIDN00>

c) Permission Refusals: there were none at this time

- d) **Any other planning matters:** the Parish Clerk noted that there was an issue with planning applications not being automatically updated on the Parish Council website and that she understood that this was due to compatibility issues with new software at Shropshire Council.

21.142 Finance.

a)

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

Clerk	Clerk's salary (February)	£558.43	LGA 1972 s 112 (2)
HMRC	Tax (February)	£27.00	LGA 1972 s.112 (2)
Clerk	Travel expenses (February)	£27	LGA 1972 s.112 (2)
Chairman	Expenses (memorial gift)	£14	Power of General Competence
John Parry	Hedge-cutting in car park	£90	Open Spaces Act 1906 ss. 9 & 10

b)

It was **noted** that the following payments were made following January's meeting:

<i>Albrighton Parish Council</i>	<i>Contribution towards Albrighton Library for year 2021-2022</i>	<i>£3000</i>	<i>Power of General Competence</i>
<i>Albrighton Parish Council</i>	<i>Contribution towards Albrighton Flyer for year 2021-2022</i>	<i>£2500</i>	<i>Power of General Competence</i>
<i>Albrighton Parish Council</i>	<i>50% cost of War Memorial Maintenance</i>	<i>£100</i>	<i>Power of General Competence</i>
<i>David Ogilvie Engineering</i>	<i>Purchase of Memorial Bench</i>	<i>£1022.40</i>	<i>Power of General Competence</i>

c)

The following income received was **noted**:

Dividend (Public Sector Deposit Fund) - £6.91 from statement end 31st January 2022

d) **Spend to Date**

Bank Reconciliation – it was proposed, seconded, and **resolved** to receive and approve the bank reconciliation until the end of January 2022

Spend to Date – it was proposed, seconded, and **resolved** to receive and approve the spend to date to the end of January 2022

21.143 Reports:

12.143.1 AFLAG (Albrighton Flood Action Group)

There were no updates on the flooding project headed by AFLAG at this time

12.143.2

(a) **SALC**, Cllr D. Beechey: nothing to report at this time

(b) **RAF Cosford**: Sq. Ldr. C. Wilson: written report circulated prior to the meeting

(c) **Nature Reserve Report**: Chairman E. Byrne : written report circulated prior to the meeting

(d) **Albrighton Village Halls Trust**, Cllr H. Kirton: nothing to report at this time

(e) **Clerk's Report**: covered elsewhere in the meeting

(f) **Royal British Legion**, Cllr D. Williams: nothing to report at this time

(g) **Footpaths**, Cllr V Sankey: the last meeting discussed replacements that are required, Cllr Sankey has asked for the stile on Donington Lane to be replaced

(h) **Station Ramp Meeting**, Cllr D.Beechey: a written report was filed in advance of the meeting. Cllr Beechey noted that the group was cautiously optimistic about approval for the ramp, but waits for an update on the source of funds to install a safe access footpath.

(i) **Albrighton Fayre**, Cllr R.Parry: nothing to report at this time

(j) **RAF Cosford Cadets**, Cllr R.Parry: a written report was filed in advance of the meeting

12.144 Training

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

12.145 Date of the Next Meeting 15.3.22

Items for the agenda to be notified to the clerk by **5.3.22**