

**ALLESLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of the **PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** held at 7:30pm

9<sup>th</sup> September 2024 the meeting was held at Corley Village Hall, Church Lane, Corley

**Present:** Councillor T Burton (Chairman) Councillor A Hobson  
Councillor M Davies Councillor Grove  
Councillor I Farrar Councillor Les Swann  
Councillor V Parry Councillor Liam Gilleran

**Ward Councillors:** 0

**Public:** 0

**In Attendance:** Jane Chatterton, Clerk & RFO

*Councillor Burton was in the Chair.*

The Chairman opened the meeting.

**638. PUBLIC FORUM**

No members of the public were present.

**639. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies for absence were received from Ward Councillors Birdi, Jandu and Christopher.

**640. MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

There were no declarations of interest.

**640.1 Councillor DPis**

Councillors completed new DPis.

**ACTION:**

- (i) Clerk to send Councillor DPis to CCC.
- (ii) Clerk to request CCC to update Councillor list on their website.

**641. UPDATES FROM WARD COUNCILLORS**

None present.

**642. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS**

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2024 were received and discussed.

**RESOLVED THAT** the minutes of the meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> July 2024 be approved.

**643. MATTERS ARISING**

There were no matters arising which were not listed on the agenda.

**644. PLANNING MATTERS**

The Planning Log was discussed.

**ACTION:**

- (i) Councillor Grove to write a standard condition in relation to lighting on new builds and extensions to properties in the parish. Create a lighting plan.
- (ii) Councillor Gilleran to set up an online accessible version of the Planning Log.

**644.1 Breach of CCC Injunction**

Complaints from parishioners in Allesley and neighbouring parishes continued. It was acknowledged that this was taking up a lot of time and resource.

**RESOLVED THAT:** the Parish Council approved engaging the WALC solicitor.

**644.2 Lack of Attendance by Rob Back, Strategic Lead for Planning, Coventry City Council**

It was reported that emails to Rob Back remained unanswered. The Clerk had made enquiries as to whether Mr Back was absent from work. It was confirmed that he was working as normal.

**ACTION:**

- (i) Clerk to send a list of outstanding questions discussed with Rob Back at May's PC meeting to Rebecca Rose, PA to the Monitoring Officer.
- (ii) Email to be sent to Davina Blackburn, Rob Back's Senior Officer expressing disappointment with the lack of response from Rob Back.

**645. FLOODING – Cllr Swann to lead**

Nothing to report.

**646. SOCIAL MEDIA UPDATE – Cllr Parry to lead**

No issues to report. More engagement with Social Media was now being noted.

**647. POLICE AND CRIME UPDATE – Cllr Farrar to lead**

Nothing to report.

**648. FLY TIPPING – Cllr Parry to lead****648.1 Oil Spillage on Pikers Lane**

Despite the efforts from the Clerk and Councillors no significant clean-up had been carried out by either CCC or the Environment Agency. The dry weather had meant that the dirty oil remained on the verge (highway), as the Autumn progressed and with more rainfall this would carry the pollution into the water courses.

**ACTION:** Councillor Grove to contact the responsible officer at CCC for assistance.

**649. CCTV – Cllrs Hobson and Burton to lead**

It was noted that sites were still needed on Hollyfast Lane and at the end of Wall Hill Road near the White Lion.

**ACTION:** locations to be explored.

**650. CORRESPONDENCE****650.1 Complaints of constant dog barking – Wall Hill Road**

**ACTION:** Clerk to chase a response from NWBC.

**650.2 Unlawful activity, Church Lane, Corley**

**ACTION:** Clerk to chase a response from NWBC Enforcement Team.

**651. Parish area and boundary**

Following the summer recess a response had been received from the Taiwo Owatemi, MP.

**ACTION:** Clerk to liaise with MP Office.

**652. Government Boundary Review – North Warwickshire**

It was reported that the work was ongoing. Further update at October's meeting.

**653. HIGHWAYS MATTERS – Cllr Davies to lead**

Japanese knotweed – as reported by a Parishioner, regrowth had been located.

**ACTION:** To be monitored.

Ted Pitts Lane – the street light had been changed.

Oak Lane The poles had been changed by BT. Currently the street lights are held on with cable ties, contractors are due to return to fix them permanently.

Broken sign on Bridle Brook Lane -

The cost to repair the broken sign would be £180 excluding paintwork. Cllr Davies had managed to identify the original manufacturer. Photos to be sent to the company who originally made the sign.

**ACTION:** Councillor Davies to obtain a quote for a replacement sign.

Development at Cornerways – the issues with the new lighting had now been resolved. It was noted that CCC had charged the developer for a lighting report and there was a requirement to install lighting at the entrance. Subsequently a resident had complained about the hedges that have been removed. Cllr Swan reported that new hedges were being planted in excess of what had been removed, and that the hedge removed was dead.

It was suggested that improved signage was required for the bend for traffic approaching from Oak Lane, as the tarmac entrance would look like a continuation of the road in the dark. It was also observed that a warning sign in the vicinity on Oak Lane was turned away from traffic so was useless.

**ACTION:** Clerk to write to Highways department requesting that this be followed up.

Advertising hoarding at the entrance to development at Cornerways – it was reported that this was dangerous and distracting to drivers.

**ACTION:** Clerk to email the Developer requesting this is removed. Failing that report to Planning Enforcement.

Pathway over the A45 – still not open. An opening ceremony had been held, which the parish council were neither aware of nor invited to.

**653.1 Closing off of Watery Lane**

**ACTION:** Clerk to email David Keane for an update.

**653.2 Speeding issues Wall Hill Road**

It was reported by residents that bollards had been damaged by agricultural traffic.

**ACTION:** Report broken bollards. Cllrs Burton and Davies to have an informal word with the two farmers operating large equipment in the parish to ask them to be more careful in this area.

**654. FINANCE****654.1 To approve payments****Expenditure****2024-25**

DATE	REF	PAYEE	DETAILS	AMOUNT
31.07.24	E22	J Chatterton	Clerk Salary August	DPA
31.07.24	E23	HMRC	Tax & NI	DPA
31.07.24	E24	J Chatterton	Zoom partial payment	£31.17
31.07.24	E25	Dan Jackson	CCTV hosting	£50.00
31.07.24	E26	Peter Llewellyn	CCTV hosting	£50.00
31.07.24	E27	D Docker	CCTV hosting	£50.00
14.08.24	E28	Heritages & Sons	Mowing Inv 10938	£660.00*
14.08.24	E29	J Chatterton	Expenses August	£36.00
03.09.24	E30	J Chatterton	Clerk Salary	DPA
03.09.24	E31	HMRC	Tax & NI	DPA
03.09.24	E32	J Chatterton	Expenses September	£36.00

\*Inc VAT

**RESOLVED THAT** the payments be approved.

**654.2 Bridle Brook Lane Sign**

Discussed earlier in the meeting.

**655. Coventry City Council Complaint**

Legal advice to be sought via WALC.

**ACTION** Clerk to follow up with Ja'Neen Day.

**656. Meeting dates**

The meeting dates for 2025 were circulated.

13<sup>th</sup> January 2025

24<sup>th</sup> February 2025

24<sup>th</sup> March 2025

12<sup>th</sup> May 2025 (**Annual Parish Council Meeting**)

16<sup>th</sup> June 2025

21<sup>st</sup> July 2025

*August – No meeting*

8<sup>th</sup> September 2025

13<sup>th</sup> October 2025

24<sup>th</sup> November 2025

*December – no meeting*

**RESOLVED THAT** the above be approved. Clerk to book the Village Hall.

**657. Councillor's reports and items for future Agenda:**

- Public footpaths
- Draft budget and precept request
- Update on legal matters

**658. Date of the next meeting**

It was confirmed that the date of the next meeting was 7<sup>th</sup> October 2024.

Meeting closed at 9:40pm.

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