

ALLESLEY PARISH COUNCIL**Minutes of the PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held at 7:45pm****10th January 2022 the meeting was held at Corley Village Hall, Church Lane, Corley**

Present: Councillor T Burton (Chairman) Councillor L Swann
Councillor Mrs V Parry Councillor Mrs L Hegarty

Ward Councillors: Councillor Birdi and Councillor Jandu

Public: 4

In Attendance: Jane Chatterton, Clerk & RFO

Meeting Commenced at 7:45pm

Councillor Burton was in the Chair.

The Chairman opened the meeting.

Attendance by David Robinson, Senior Network Co-ordinator – Events Coventry City Council

Mr David Robinson attended the meeting to hear the Parish Council's concerns in relation to frequent road closures in the parish for various events. The Parish Council had received complaints from parishioners who find the road closures very inconvenient. The closures prevent people from getting to work, and carers cannot get through to their patients. The same roads were being closed and the same people being affected every time.

Mr Robinson updated that it was likely that the Velo bike race had been cancelled and wouldn't take place in 2022.

The main events that caused the road closures included the Half Marathon and the Northbrook Run. It was suggested that CCC could consider a Plan B which would be to use the ring road around the centre of Coventry.

It was noted that a local running group on occasion closed the road (Watery Lane) to train and carry out timed trials. This was not with permission from CCC and therefore unauthorised. This included many runners and meant the road became dangerous to other users eg dog walkers, cyclists. The Clerk had liaised with the Club and informed them that they did not have the required permission to do this.

It was noted that the Northbrook Run would be the same route for 2022 that they used on 14th July, a map detailing the route was shared.

Clearing up after the events was also discussed. The organisers had failed to gather up all the discarded water bottles, energy drinks and road closure barriers.

ACTION: Mr Robinson agreed with the points raised and would provide feedback to Event Organisers at CCC. He also agreed to attend a future meeting to provide further feedback.

546. PUBLIC FORUM To adjourn to allow public participation**Closing off of Watery Lane**

Residents attended the meeting to ask about progress of closing off Watery Lane.

It was noted that this initiative had been suggested some time ago but despite several site meetings and the agreement to install a temporary barrier, with a view to this becoming permanent, work on this had stalled.

The dangers of the excessive speed of vehicles using the lane especially on the narrow section was discussed in detail. Residents had been consulted on the road being closed and the majority of residents supported the closure.

Other issues were raised including fly tipping, drug dealing and antisocial behaviour near Elkins Wood.

ACTION: David Robinson would speak to the officers at CCC and apply for a temporary traffic order to close the road. The residents in attendance offered to contribute financially to expedite the closure.

Bins

Previously the Parish Council had made a request for two bins to be installed. One on the corner of Watery Lane/Green Lane, the second at the entrance to Elkins Wood. No progress had been made.

Two of the residents present informed the Parish Council that they put out rubbish bags and carried out regular litter picks in the area including the woods. They had liaised with The Woodland Trust who were in the process of putting bins in Elkins Woods, once in place they would be emptied by The Woodland Trust.

547. UPDATES FROM WARD COUNCILLORS

Councillor Birdi updated that issues with Elkin Woods kept coming up every time including the issue with litter.

ACTION:

- (i) Clerk to resend the email about the bins to Councillor Birdi.
- (ii) Councillor Birdi to find out when the bins would be installed and report back.
- (iii) Councillor Burton to send the address for bins to be installed on the other side of the parish.

548. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Parish Councillors, Councillor Adrian Hobson, Councillor Mrs Hegarty and Councillor Mrs Mandy Davies. Also, from CCC Councillor, Councillor Jandu.

549. MEMBERS' CODE OF CONDUCT - DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

550. MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 22nd November 2021 were received and discussed.

RESOLVED THAT: The minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 22nd November 2021 were approved.

551. MATTERS ARISING**Mowing****ACTION:**

- (i) Clerk to check when CCC would be mowing the verges within the Parish.
- (ii) CCC to be requested to cut hedges in Hawkesmill Lane.

It was noted that Councillor Mrs Davies was working with the contractor in readiness for the Parish Council taking over the mowing in Spring 2022.

552. HIGHWAYS MATTERS**Wall Hill Road**

Councillor Mrs Parry reported that live cannabis plants were growing in the verges on Wall Hill Road mainly at its junction with Pikers Lane. This was following the dumping of cannabis factory waste.

ACTION: Report to CCC, request removal.

553. PLANNING MATTERS

To Consider Planning Applications received since the last meeting

Weekly list for the period 12 December to 18 December 2021**553.1 Application Number: DC/2021/3605**

Application Site: Eastern Green South of the A45

Proposal: Discharge of conditions No.3 Archaeological WSI; Condition No. 14 - Water Crossing Details; and No. 17 - engineering details - imposed on planning permission reference S73/2021/2108 for construction of grade separated junction, granted on 30/09/2021

RESOLVED THAT: Noted.

553.2 Application Number: DC/2021/3643

Application Site: Land north and south of the A45 and north of Upper Eastern Green

Proposal: Submission of details to discharge condition numbers 11 - Landscape and Ecological Management Plan (LEMP); and 16 - relocation of bus stop - imposed upon planning permission reference S73/2021/2108 for construction of grade separated junction, granted on 30/09/2021

RESOLVED THAT: Noted.

553.3 Application Number: HH/2021/3091

Application Site: The Stables Oaklands Farm Clay Lane

Proposal: Erection of a 'twin-wall flue' for DEFRA registered log-burner

RESOLVED THAT: Noted.

553.4	Application Number:	LB/2021/3097
	Application Site:	Hollyfast Farmhouse Hollyfast Lane
	Proposal:	Refurbishment and repair of existing internal and external fabric of Hollyfast Farmhouse including the replacement of the existing windows, kitchen and bathroom

RESOLVED THAT: Grade II listed building. Question raised about length of time that it states not been used for farming. Noted.

553.5	Application Number:	OUT/2020/2075
	Application Site:	Land North of Rockwell House, Birmingham Road
	Proposal:	Outline application with all matters reserved except access and landscaping for commercial development and extension of Rockwell Sheets Sales Ltd

RESOLVED THAT: Planning Application was supported. Applicant had requested a representative attends the meeting. No one available to attend.

Referral to Planning Enforcement

Complaints had been received by concerned residents in relation to a plot of agricultural land to the back of the nursery development. The plot of land had been cleared and hard standing installed. Photographic evidence had been sent to the Parish Council.

It was noted that this could result in an increase in flooding. Neighbouring properties had already reported issues with flooding occurring in their gardens since the houses on the new development had been built.

ACTION: Evidence to be sent to Planning Enforcement.

554. Flooding – Cllr Swann to lead

Nothing to report.

555. KOGG/CPRE

Nothing to report.

Donation in support of Judicial Review

It was agreed to request CPRE refund the funds donated for the Judicial Review regarding the Eastern Green development as this was no longer being progressed.

ACTION: Clerk to contact CPRE and request a refund.

556. Social Media Update

Councillor Mrs Parry updated that the issues with the Facebook page were being sorted.

557. Police and Crime Update

It was noted that the SNT had agreed to attend a future Parish Council meeting. It was hoped they would attend February's meeting. All dates of meetings had been provided.

558. CCTV

The Chairman updated on progress with identifying sites for the installation of CCTV equipment.

- Property on Hawkes Mill Lane – had been agreed
- Property on Stonehouse Lane – outstanding
- Property of Clay Lane – required
- Property on Watery Lane – letters had been sent requesting assistance.

White Lion, Wall Hill Road – site suggested as a possibility. **ACTION:** Councillor Mrs Parry to talk to the brewery.

ACTION:

- (i) All sites to be agreed and surveyed prior to February’s meeting.
- (ii) Councillor Swann to talk to resident Oak Lane.
- (iii) Councillor Burton to chase Councillor Hobson for progress on Hollyfast Lane.

559. CORRESPONDENCE

Nothing to discuss.

560. FINANCE

560.1 To approve payments

Expenditure

DATE	REF	CHEQUE	PAYEE	DETAILS	AMOUNT
13.10.21	E31	100288	J Chatterton	Stationery Ink	£17.02
22.11.21	E32	100289	J Chatterton	Clerk Salary November	DPA
22.11.21	E33	100290	J Chatterton	Expenses Nov & Dec	£36.46
13.11.21	E34	DD	HMRC	Quarter tax clerk	£376.43
22.11.21	E35	100291	DM Payroll	Payroll provider	£60.00
09.12.21	E36	DD	Freeola	Website	£13.86
09.12.21	E37	100293	J Chatterton	Clerk Salary December	DPA
04.01.22	E38	100294	J Chatterton	Clerk Salary January	DPA
04.01.22	E39	100295	J Chatterton	Expenses Jan inc Microsoft Office	£82.72

RESOLVED THAT the payments be approved.

560.2 Bank Reconciliation 31st December 2021

The Bank Reconciliation 31st December 2021 was received and discussed.

	£	£
Balance per bank statements as at 31 st December 2021:	£32,090.41	
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Less: any unpaid invoice cheques at 31 st December 2021		
Unbanked cheque 100291	£60.00	
Unpaid Invoice Clerk Salary December	£305.60	
	£365.60	

		(£365.60)
Add: any un-banked cash at 31 st December 2021	£0.00	
Net balances as at 31 st December 2021		£31,724.81

The net balances reconcile to the Cash Book (receipts and payments account) for the year, as follows:

CASH BOOK

Opening Balance 1 st April 2021	£22,571.39
Add Receipts up to 31 st December 2021	£14,992.60
Less: Payments up to 31 st December 2021	(£5,839.18)
Closing balance per cash book as at 31 st December 2021	£31,724.81

RESOLVED THAT: the Bank Reconciliation 31st December 2021 be approved.

Bank Account

The Clerk and Chairman were not making any progress with obtaining internet banking with the current provider. An option had been proposed to open a second account to be used as the Parish Council's current account with another provider.

ACTION:

- (i) Preference for free banking to be explored. Clerk to research the options.
- (ii) Clerk to investigate opening an account with Unity Trust the bank recommended by WALC and used by many Parish Councils.

560.3 Quarterly Report 31st December 2021

The Quarterly Report 31st December 2021 was received and discussed.

RESOLVED THAT the Quarterly Report 31st December 2021 be approved.

561. Councillor's reports and items for future Agenda:

Rob Back – Planning – s106 monies

ACTION: Invite Rob Back to February's meeting

Highways update - Colin Knight

ACTION: Invite Colin Knight to February's meeting

562. Date of the next meeting

The date of the next meeting was confirmed as 28th February 2022, Corley Village Hall.

The meeting closed at 9:30pm