

ALMELEY PARISH COUNCIL
Minutes of the extra-ordinary meeting of the Parish Council
Held on Wednesday 25th April 2018 at 7.30pm in Almeley Village Hall

Present: Councillors: Liz Tucker (Chair), Allan Payne, Barry Hall, Bee Held and John Hope

In attendance: Emma Thomas – Clerk to Almeley Parish Council

Public: Twelve

1. To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received from Councillors James Edwards and Martin Skyrme

2. To receive declarations of interest and written requests for dispensation
Councillor Allan Payne signed a DPI against item 5.10 and signed the book.

3. Open session

3.1 To receive views of local residents on parish matters

Several points were raised including:

- Why had Councillor John Hope not declared an interest against item 6.1 this time, when he had done so before? When asked, the clerk advised that declaring an interest was at the councillor's discretion.
- Can a member of the public stop a meeting. The clerk advised "no".
- An oil drum full of engine bits had been dumped on the Lyonshall Road. Details to be forwarded to the clerk.
- Two parishioners had requested that they be allowed to clear weeds on the roadside in Bells Orchard. The clerk advised that anyone seeking to do any voluntary work at the request of the Parish Council must be made known to the Council insurers before under-taking any task.
- Opinion as to why planning application 180889 should go ahead was expressed.
- Opinion as to why planning application 180889 should not go ahead was expressed.

4. To consider the minutes of the previous meeting held on 14th March 2018

It was RESOLVED to approve the minutes of the meeting held on the 14th March 2018 and they were signed by the Chair.

5. Finance

5.1 To consider the clerks expenses £49.37 – previously circulated

5.2 To consider the clerks salary – April

5.3 To consider the invoice from Harper-Smith for Web Support (1/04/2018-31/03/19) £50

5.4 To consider the invoice from Herefordshire Wildlife Trust for NDP report £500

5.5 To consider invoices from Almeley Hall for meeting hire £18

5.6 To consider the invoice from Data Orchard for NDP consultations £1648.08

5.7 To consider the invoice from The One Stop Print Shop for NDP booklets and flyers £130

5.8 To consider the invoice from Autela for payroll services £46.08

5.9 To consider the repayment due to Groundwork UK for remaining NDP grant £1154.21

It was RESOLVED to approve all the above invoices for payment and the cheques were signed.

Cllr Allan Payne left the meeting

5.10 To consider the invoices from A. Payne for Footpath report, work and equipment purchases £721.91

It was RESOLVED to approve the above invoice for payment and the cheque was signed.

Cllr Allan Payne rejoined the meeting

6. Planning –

6.1 180889 Land adjacent Church Terrace, Almeley, HR3 6LB
Proposed erection of 2 detached dwellings with detached garages

It was RESOLVED to continue to object to the application as none of the minor alterations over-rode previous objections or worries. The application was contrary to the emerging NDP – now about to be submitted at Regulation 16.

6.2 181054 The Meadows, Almeley, HR3 6LQ
Proposed steel portal framed building to cover an existing muck store.

It was RESOLVED to support this application

7. To receive an update on the NDP.

It was REPORTED that Regulation 14 consultation had been successfully completed. All responses could be viewed on the Parish Council website. The NDP consultant was now compiling responses to each submission received and making any changes deemed necessary. Once finished the draft NDP would come back to the Parish Council, along with the updated SEA, updated HRA, updated basic conditions statement, updated consultation statement and updated policy maps for approval for submission to Herefordshire Council at Regulation 16.

The clerk, alongside the NDP steering group, would now apply for the next tranche of grant money to enable this to happen.

During the Regulation 14 consultation an anonymous leaflet had been circulated in the parish – pretending to come from the Parish Council. It had not come from the Parish Council or NDP steering group. All official documents can be found, as always, on the NDP page of the Parish Council website.

8. To note date of next scheduled meeting – 9th May 2018
Noted

The meeting closed at 8.07pm

Signed: _____



Dated: _____

9/5/18