Alderminster Parish Council

Minutes for
Ordinary meeting of the Parish Council
Held on
Monday 11th November 2024
Alderminster Village Hall 7.30 pm

Present: Cllr John Melville
Cllr Mark Meadows
Cllr David Curtis
Cllr Patricia Bailey

Mrs L Callow (Parish Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer)

Also present: 2 members of the public

1 Apologies: WCC Cllr Izzi Seccombe sent apologies.

- 2 **Declaration of interests:** none received.
- 3 **Co-Option:** The co-option has been moved to a future meeting.
- 4 **Questions from the public**: Members of the public used this time to ask questions and express their opinions. Members of the public also expressed their disappointment with District Councillor Dominic Skinner and the lack of communication he has with our community matters.
- 5 Minutes of the previous meetings:

The minutes from the previous meeting of the 09th September 2024 were unanimously agreed with and were signed by the Chairman. A member of public that was mentioned in the District Councillors report which was attached to the minutes has asked for his name to be removed.

- Policies: All Councillors reviewed and unanimously agreed to approve all policies. Chair and clerk will prepare the policies again for the next review in May 2025.
- 7 **Grant:** All Councillors agreed and approved the £100 grant for the Village Voices Magazine subject to them providing a yearly financial statement.
- 8 **2025/2026 Budget**: All councillors reviewed the draft budget and changes were made. The final budget will be finalised and Precept submitted in January.
- 9 **Councillors' reports**: Cllr Meadows requested the clerk to get I touch with Cllr Dominic Sinner and retrieve an update on the open space for both the Parish Council and Residents.
- 10 District and County Councillors' reports: WCC Izzi Seccombe emailed a report. This was read out by the chairman. It is also attached to the minutes. (Appendix A)

- Planning applications: the following planning applications were noted, and a NO REPRESENTATION response was submitted for both applications.
 - 24/02450/FUL Cycles for cancer
 - II. 24/02727/FUL Hillside

12 Accounts for payment and finance matters:

The following payments were approved and authorised:

- i. Laura Callow (office supplies) £33.25
- ii. Clerks Salary September £**
- iii. Bank charges £8.00
- iv. DCK Payroll October £36.00
- v. Lawns2mow £336.00
- vi. Geoxphere Parish online £60.00
- vii. NALC £52.04
- viii. HMRC £97.33
- ix. Clerks Salary October £**
- x. Bank charges £8.50

The Chairman signed the supporting documentation.

- Correspondence: None
- 14 Items for future agenda: Hedges along the public paths.
- Meeting closed at 8:22pm

Next meeting Monday 13th January 2025

Signed.....

Appendix A

Warwickshire County Councillor Report

Cllr Izzi Seccombe November 2024

Armed Forces Covenant and Remembrance

Last week I was delighted to host at Warwick the signing of the Armed Service Covenant. WCC is a Gold Member and has led partners such as Districts, Education, Health and Business in joining and engaging in the support of Veterans and Servicemen and women. This is about support and understanding the challenges of service men/women and veterans around

housing ...especially when leaving services. Education, Health. Valuing their commitment. We were delighted that over a hundred attended and we had national support from Defence Services.

I also was incredibly touched once again to lay a wreath on behalf of WCC at Sundays Remembrance Service in Warwick.

Budget

We have some benefits from the Budget around SEND and Social Care, but as ever the detail is not yet understood, and we await the Local Government settlement in December for that. We are still a long way from achieving the demands we face, but welcome what is likely to come our way.

WCC is providing a support network to help those who may be entitled to welfare support after the loss of the Winter Fuel Payments. If anyone is known, please direct them our way.

I am working with PennyAnne ODonnel to hold a debate on the impact of the Budget on our Farming Community. Food Security to the nation and the ability to ensure we have an ongoing and vibrant Farming sector is under threat. We intend to write to this Government objecting and raising all these important issues.

Health and Social Care

I am pleased to be hosting a roundtable with the CX of NHS England (Matthew Taylor) later this month. I have attending all our Hospital Chairman and CXs and we intend to put the Warwickshire perspective and challenges together with opportunities that we can and want to take forward.