

Acton Burnell Combined Parish Council

Tuesday 10th January 2017

MINUTES

1. **Chairman's Welcome.** The Chairman welcomed all to the meeting
2. Present: Councillor K Faulkner-Chairman; Councillor J Long –vice-chairman; Councillor E Plant; Councillor G Turner; Councillor C Culliss; Councillor A Argyropulo; Councillor G Davies; Councillor R Morgan; Councillor G Ball. Also present were L Pardoe clerk to the meeting; D Morris prospective Shropshire Councillor and M Price; PC Dave Walton from west Mercia Constabulary .Apologies were received from Shropshire Councillor T Barker.
3. **Declarations of Pecuniary Interest.** Councillor R Morgan declared a personal interest in application 16/5455/HRM as he knew the applicant.
4. **Public Session.** Standing Orders were suspended at this point to allow the public to speak. Mr Price reported that the drain at King Street Crossroads on the northwest corner is not draining away.
5. **Police Report** PC Dave Walton introduced himself to the members. He will be assisted by CSO Rob Taylor and CSO Lyne Birch. He would be continuing to send monthly reports in the same format that PC Dave Harte had done. There had been a burglary at a farm and the farmer there was now supporting Stop that Thief an organisation dedicated to trying to reduce crime in the rural areas. He was intending to start a mobile surgery where they would aim to cover 4 areas in one evening to raise their visibility. The Chairman thanked him for attending and PC Walton left the meeting. Standing Orders were reinstated.
6. **Confirmation and acceptance of the minutes of the meeting of 8th November 2016:** It was agreed that these were a true and accurate record of the meeting; proposed by Councillor C Culliss; seconded by Councillor J Long and agreed by all members present.
7. **Matters arising** Clerk to report information only items not covered elsewhere on the agenda.
8. **Shropshire Councillors Report.** Councillor T Barker was unable to attend but had sent a report to the Chairman. The new Local Plan is coming up for consultation and it is important that all parishes respond to this. There need be no changes if they wish to remain as open countryside. If the Parish Council wished to become a cluster it could possibly cluster with Dorrington. Dan Morris is standing as the conservative member for this area.
9. **Council to consider becoming paper free with amendments to the Standing Orders to that effect.** The clerk read out what the council needed to do to become paper free and receive paperwork electronically. It was agreed that this decision should not be taken until after the elections and all new members are in place. It was agreed that Councillor G Ball would look into the costs of the Parish Council purchasing a tablet for each of the members of the Parish Council.
10. **Highways' matters:**
 - i) Councillor E Plant reported that the drain by the telephone box in Acton Burnell is blocked by debris and needs clearing.
 - ii) Councillor C Culliss reported that there is a traffic cone on the road by Longnor Green Should this be moved?
 - iii) Councillor G Ball reported that there was still no grit in the grit bins despite the clerk requesting this in November. Clerk to chase this up.
 - iv) It was reported that there were still no white lines on the Pitchford park corner.

11. Council to consider the response from Shropshire Council for the Acton Burnell Crossroads. After discussion it was agreed to write to Shropshire Council to express their disappointment at their proposals but agreed to accept the re lining with the white lines going into the middle of the road to give Frodesley to Ruckley traffic a better view .

12. **Finance:**

- Council to consider and approve payments of accounts: it was agreed to pay the accounts as presented by the clerk. Proposed by Councillor J Long; seconded by Councillor R Morgan and agreed by all members present :

cheque No	Payee	Brief Desc	amount
100356	D Malley	Payroll services	29.00
100357	Tutorcare	Life Awareness Training course	414.00
100358	HMRC	PAYE	90.20
100360	Concord College	Donation for room rent	120.00
100361	L Pardoe	Salary & Expenses	690.09
		Total	1343.29

- To accept the Bank Reconciliation as presented by the clerk. It was agreed to accept the Bank reconciliation as presented by the clerk; Proposed by Councillor J Long; seconded by Councillor R Morgan and agreed by all members present:
- Members to agree the figures for setting the precept for the financial year 2017/2018. After discussion it was agreed to set the precept at £5,514 for the year 2017/2018 which will give a 0% increase for Band D properties. Proposed by Councillor J Long; seconded by Councillor C Culliss and agreed by all members present.

13. **Planning:**

i) **Clerk to report on previous applications**

- Reference: 14/05004/FUL: Address: Proposed Agricultural Workers dwelling south east of Pitchford: Awaiting decision

ii) **Council to consider new planning applications**

- Reference: 16/05455/HRM
Address: Land at Bentley Ford Farm, Enchmarsh, Church Stretton,
Proposal; Remove approximately 290 m of hedgerow to allow for more effective grazing;
After discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council supported this application with the condition that the replacement 290 metres of hedge is planted at the same time as the removal or even prior to the removal of this piece of hedge: proposed by councillor K Faulkner seconded by Councillor J Long and agreed by all members present.
- Reference: 16/05448/VAR
Address: Concord College, Acton Burnell, Shropshire
Proposal: Variation of condition no 1 to planning permission 14/01683/FUL to allow the retention of three temporary classrooms for an additional temporary period of two years.
After discussion it was agreed to support this application. Proposed by councillor G Turner; seconded by Councillor J Long and agreed by all members present
- Reference: 16/05601/TCA (validated: 09/12/2016)

Address: Concord College, Acton Burnell, Shrewsbury, Shropshire, SY5 7PF
 Proposal: Works to trees as per attached schedule within Acton Burnell Conservation Area: *After discussion it was agreed to support this application. Proposed by councillor G Turner; seconded by Councillor J Long and agreed by all members present. There is no objection from Shropshire Council.*

ii) **Clerk to report on any new applications received after 20th December 2016**

- Reference; 16/05758/PMBPA

Address: Ruckley Oak Farm, Acton Burnell, Shrewsbury.

Proposal: Application for prior approval under part 3 Class Q of the Town and Country Planning (General Permitted development) Order 2015 for the change of use from agricultural to residential use.

After discussion it was agreed that the Parish Council do not support this application for the same reasons as before. That this site has history and the Parish Council would like the planners to review the previous documents that go with this application, in particular the Planning Inspectorates original report. Proposed by Councillor K Faulkner; seconded by Councillor R Morgan and agreed by all members present.

14. **Correspondence:** This was noted. It was agreed to nominate Councillor Eric Plant to be out in the draw for the Buckingham Palace Garden Party. Councillor Plant will not be standing as a parish Councillor in the May elections. He is standing down as a Parish Councillor after 40 years' service to the community.
15. **Defibrillators:** After discussion it was agreed the clerk to apply to The British Heart Foundation for a grant for three defibrillators for the villages of Acton Burnell, Frodesley and Pitchford.
16. **LJC:** This would be held on 1st March at Acton Scott Village Hall it will be jointly hosted by Craven Arms and Church Stretton. Topics will include Health Safety.
17. **Parish Matters.** The trees at the telephone box in Acton Burnell need trimming right back. The water pipe connection from Acton Burnell to Frodesley is going to be done at the beginning of February. The results from the inquiry into the moving of the bridleway at Frodesley which took place in December are expected towards the end of January.
18. **Council to set the date and time for the Annual Parish meeting:** It was agreed to hold this on Tuesday 9th May 2017 at Pitchford Village Hall starting at 7.30p.m.
19. **Council to set date and time of the May meeting following the elections on 4th May.** It was agreed to hold this on Monday 15th May at Pitchford Village Hall starting at 7.30pm following the elections on 4th May.
20. **Date and Time of next meeting.** It was agreed that this would be held on Monday 6th March 2017 at Pitchford Village Hall starting at 7.30pm.
21. The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 9.31p.m.

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