

## **MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ALBERBURY WITH CARDESTON PARISH COUNCIL**

Held at Alberbury Village Hall on Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July

Present: R Kynaston, (Chairman), R Griffiths, R Davis, Mrs J Wilson, M Tomlins, C Bourne, D Parry, Mrs S Evans, Clr. Ed Potter and 1 member of the public

Apologies: M Mead (Shropshire Council), Mrs K Stokes and PC R. Cookson

**1395 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING** Minutes 1385 to 1394 of the Meeting (AGM) held on 14<sup>th</sup> May were proposed for acceptance by Mr Griffiths, seconded by Mr Parry, and approved unanimously.

**1396 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** Mrs S Evans declared a personal interest in Planning item 18/02493/FUL

**1397 LOCAL COUNCIL BUSINESS** Clr. Potter addressed the meeting, reporting on a meeting with Highways to discuss backlog issues, (which appeared to be slowly reducing), and a future more senior meeting on highways at the end of the month to discuss systems. The new car parking charges in Shrewsbury were likely to go ahead; on a question from R Davis about how much this would raise, Mr Potter said about £2m in the next year, but the system meant you only paid for what you used, so some people would pay less.

On the LIC front, Youth Club funding for Westbury had been secured for the short term, he said, hoping that the club would become self-sufficient as soon as possible. There was also a meeting planned at Westbury Village Hall on 30<sup>th</sup> July to discuss Future Fit.

### **1398 PARISH MATTERS**

- a. **Highways:** Mr Griffiths had produced a summary of Highways issues which he had passed to Clr. Potter and it was agreed that The Clerk would copy these to Shropshire Council. It was noted that there were apparently no current traffic figures for Alberbury village and The Clerk was asked to see if the Coedway figures were available from Powis CC. It was also noted that once the Vehicle Activated Sign (VAS) is installed, this will have traffic logging. It was reported that the Stretton Heath Road is peeling badly.
- b. **Police:** The Clerk referred to the pre-circulated Police report, and there were two matters arising: the continued concern on speeding in Alberbury, with no sign of the Safer Roads Partnership recently (The Clerk to write and remind them that we were still in the 85% percentile); and the parking at the Halfway House garage.
- c. **Website:** Several adverts had now been placed at £25 each, and The Clerk had written to the two Village Halls offering them each a promotional page, with no response as yet.
- d. **Village Gates, Alberbury** Councillors were shown what entry gates would look like at either end of Alberbury Village and the consensus was that they did tend to result in a general speed reduction on average. Members were generally in favour of taking this idea further and asked for prices to be obtained.
- e. **Councillor training** The Clerk reported that new Councillor training was now set up for Mrs S Evans
- f. **Other:** The Clerk reported that the ROSPA inspection of the playing area had taken place, but he had not received the report as yet. Mr Parry noted that the rear vegetation there had been cut back.

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**1399 CORRESPONDENCE** The Clerk read out a letter of apology from Bowdlers Farmers concerning the recent road fouling in Alberbury. A thank you from the Shropshire Air Ambulance for the recent donation, had been received. There were no other matters arising.

**1400 FINANCE** The Clerks Salary and expenses £267.59, the Village Hall hire £15, Insurance renewal (Zurich) £577.38 and the Election fees from last year £1554.20 were proposed for acceptance by Mr Parry, seconded by Mr Griffiths, and agreed unanimously. The Clerk reported that the Audit had now been completed and signed, with no issues to report. A year to date financial position and possible outturn next April, was tabled by the Clerk, which allows for the purchase of a VAS sign and some money towards Village Gates. There were no issues arising.

On a proposal from R Davis, seconded D Parry, it was decided to proceed with the purchase and installation of a VAS sign in Alberbury, on a pole supplied and installed by Shropshire Council. (Unanimous). The Clerk will ask about a second pole to be installed at the same time for future use.

**1401 PLANNING** Six applications were considered, 5 of which had been pre-circulated.

The new application 18/02493/FUL for a replacement dwelling was on a site that had already received approval for an extension, and the new dwelling was an alternative to an extended house. Councillors agreed to support this application.

The meeting closed at 21.00

**1402 DATE OF NEXT MEETING** September 3<sup>rd</sup>, 8 pm, at Wattlesborough

Signed: Chairman

Clerk

Date: