# **ADDERLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 26th FEBRUARY 2014, VILLAGE HALL, ADDERLEY

Chair: Cllr M Coulon

Present: Cllr A Swindale; Cllr C Cornwall; Cllr P Nash; Cllr C Roche

Clerk: Mrs M Joyce

#### 21/14 Welcome & Public Session

No members of the public attended this Meeting. Unitary Cllr P Wynn was present. The Chair welcomed the Councillors to the Meeting and opened proceedings at 7:30pm

#### 22/14 Present/Apologies and/or Absent

Present as noted above. Apologies were received from Cllrs Townley and Tydeman, which were duly accepted.

23/14 Declaration of disclosable pecuniary interests: None

24/14 Dispensations: None

25/14 Approval of the Minutes of the Meeting held on 15<sup>th</sup> January 2014. Councillors considered the Minutes. The Minutes were agreed to be an accurate record and as such were proposed for approval and were duly signed by the Chair.

# Matters arising or action taken from the Minutes (not otherwise included on the Agenda)

The Clerk gave an update from Highways following receipt of outstanding works from the November site visit.

# 27/14 Unitary Councillor's Report

Cllr Wynn gave update on the 5 year shortfall in housing supply and its ramifications in planning terms. If applications for dwellings fall within development boundaries and are proven to be in sustainable locations they cannot be objected to. Councillors discussed 'sustainability' and the criteria required in order to prove it for villages.

Shropshire is to have a University, based in Shrewsbury, initially in association with Chester.

Undergraduates will commence studies in the Autumn, with Post-Grads starting shortly.

Cllr Wynn advised that although Market Drayton Town Council had raised no objections to the proposed bridge applied for by Muller, Moreton Say had asked for the application to be considered by Committee. Steve Charmley now in charge of Broadband; Cllr Wynn hopes to raise the issue of rural connections, in particular for Adderley, very soon.

# 28/14 Community Policing

No update to report.

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# 29/14 Highways and Environmental Health

Cllr Swindale reported that Western Power have cut tree down which fell onto power lines. Debris left on verge. Clerk to ascertain whose responsibility it is to remove it and arrange accordingly.

Outstanding remedial work following November Site visit: update given under 'matters arising'.

Clerk asked to report paths in need of cleaning.

Blocked grid reported on A529: Cllr Roche to check and report to Clerk.

Cllr Coulon reported offer from Diocese to replace the four oak trees which have had to be removed as they were all dead. Councillors discussed possible locations and decided to suggest planting new trees on the Diocese land next to Mr Clare's land but not along the road side.

# 30/14 Street Lights & Repairs

Corbet Drive light now fixed.

Playsafety playground inspection at £65 cost: Clerk to book.

#### 31/14 Planning

- i) Applications: None received.
- ii) Decisions: None received.
- iii) Place plan response: confirmed online.

#### 32/14 Correspondence

Emailed correspondence from SALC and NALC circulated. Broadband and mobile infrastructure notes received and circulated. Clerks and Councils Direct presented.

Letter of interest received from the SDH Accounting offering services to carry out the Internal Audit for c£120. Councillors discussed and all agreed to appoint. Clerk to arrange.

### 33/14 Housekeeping

Village Crier Entry – to be submitted by Cllr Coulon.

Cllr Nash reported that the government have promised £250m towards Broadband. It has been suggested that small Schools will be able to take on a domestic service as there would be no need for extra bandwidth provision. Most rural green cabinets have yet to be assessed by BT so exact positions unknown. New fibre optics will have to be renewed under state aid rules.

#### 34/14 Finance

Bank reconciliation and cash book information circulated for information and were approved by the Chair after agreement by the Councillors. The following payments were proposed and approved for payment:

Date	Recipient	Purpose	Amount	Chq No	Power of
30/11/13	M Joyce	Clerk's salary November	£190.08	SO	Expenditure LGA 1972 s112
15/04/14	TTS Group	Digging pits x 2; free flow curtains x1; outdoor bug magnifier post x 1 for Adderley School	£1278.78	100277	S137

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#### 34/14 Finance cont

Clerk's salary proposed by Cllr Roche, seconded by Cllr Swindale. All agreed. Other invoice to TTS Group, for last items for Friends of Adderley School, proposed for payment by Cllr Cornwall, seconded by Cllr Roche. All agreed. Councillors considered application for annual salary increase (as per terms of contract Clerk is entitled to annual salary review) by Clerk. No increase awarded during 2013; Councillors agreed to raise the salary from spinal point 20 to 21.

The Councillors reviewed the order being placed for the Friends of Adderley School and agreed the payment of the final invoice.

#### 35/14 Magazines & Leaflets

Clerks and Councils Direct magazine given to Cllr Cornwall.

#### 36/14 Courses/Meetings

'Meet your external Auditor' course available: Clerk to book for Cllr Coulon.

Emergency planning seminar: Cllr Coulon to attend.

LJC: Extraordinary meeting to be held on the future of the LJC. Only £18K left in kitty for awards this time (which is the last round of funding) to be shared between applicants requesting total of £36k. Another meeting to be scheduled to make decisions. Fire Stations to remain open following public campaign.

#### 37/14 Parish Matters

Report received that the path sweeper may have removed surface tarmac on path - Cllr Roche to investigate.

#### 38/14 Agenda Items for Next Meeting

There being no other business the Chair thanked everyone for attending and closed the Meeting at 8:26 pm.

Minutes accepted & approved by Adderley Parish Council at a Meeting held on: 16th April 2014

Signed by the Chair on behalf of Adderley Parish Council: