

Minutes of Allensmore Parish Council Meeting held on 28th November 2019 at 8.00pm at Allensmore Village Hall

Present: Cllrs J Evans, S Lawrence, J Lawrence, C Watkinson (Vice Chair) and T Cramp (Chair)

In attendance: Mrs A Wright (Clerk), Ward Cllr Christy Bolderson and 5 members of the public.

1. Introduction and welcome by the Chairman

The Chair of the Parish Council, Cllr Tony Cramp, welcomed everyone to the meeting.

2. Apologies for Absence

There were apologies received from Cllr Derek Cooke, Cllr S Williams and Ward Cllr Christy Bolderson

3. Declarations of Interest

There was one declarations of interest. This was by Cllr John Evans in relation to the land behind "Murrayfield".

4. Open Session

There were no matters raised.

The Open Session closed at 8.01 pm.

5. Brief Verbal Reports:

5.1 **Local Policing Team:** Bulletin updates had been circulated.

5.2 **Lengthsman Co-ordinator:** Cllr J Lawrence gave an update regarding a drain blockage near to the Cats Protection League premises and the adjacent cottage.

5.3 **Ward Councillor:** Ward Cllr Christy Bolderson had sent her apologies.

5.4 Locality Steward

The Locality Steward had kept members informed via bulletins.

5.5 **Footpath Officer** – The Footpath Officer Cllr Steve Williams had sent his apologies.

6. To approve Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 19th September 2019.

Resolved: - The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, held on 19th September 2019, were approved by the Council and then signed by the Chairman

7. Clerk Update and Correspondence

The Clerk updated the Meeting regarding correspondence received. This included:

- Core Strategy and Neighbourhood Planning review meeting - Additional date.
- Decision Notice 190650, Site adj. Church Lane, Allensmore, Herefordshire
- Salt for parishes
- Review of Polling Districts, Polling Places and Polling Stations
- Invitations to councillors - The Great Collaboration (Climate Emergency initiative)

8. Neighbourhood Plan – update

8.1) Update on progression

The Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, Nick Chapman, updated the Meeting verbally. The Regulation 16 Submission had been sent to Herefordshire Council and consulted on from 7/10/19 to 18/11/19. No major items had come out of this consultation. The next Steering Group Meeting would be held in a week or so and the next step was progression to examination. An examiner would be chosen from a list provided. There was expression of disappointment regarding recent planning consents which had not taken aspects of the emerging plan into account. The plan would gain weight for consideration in planning applications once the examination had been carried out. There was hope that the plan would progress to referendum in March/April 2020.

9. Finance

(9.1) **Resolved:** The following list of payments were approved, prop by Cllr C Watkinson and sec Cllr Jeremy Lawrence:

Mrs A Wright (salary paid in accordance with contract)	
Tax due on salary payment (Payable to HMRC only)	£99.20

(9.2) **Resolved:** The bank balance was noted at £9345.01.

(9.3) to consider budget and precept request for 2020 – 2021

The Parish Council considered the financial position of the council and the budget and resolved that a precept of £6250.00 should be requested for 2020 – 2021. Precept

proposed by Cllr Watkinson and seconded by Cllr J Lawrence. Carried. It was agreed that there would be no subscription to HALC. .

(9.4) to consider request for a donation from Dore Community Transport

The Parish Council discussed the request for a donation from Dore Community Transport and it was resolved to award a donation of £100.00. This was proposed by Cllr Cramp and seconded by Cllr Watkinson. Carried.

10. Planning

There were applications advised for discussion at the meeting:

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: Planning Consultation - 193853 - Land off, Madley Road, Clehonger, Herefordshire

DESCRIPTION: Application for approval of reserved matters (Appearance, Landscaping, Layout and scale) following outline approval 141964 (residential development of up to 90 dwellings with access, parking, public open space with play facilities and landscaping

APPLICANT(S): Gladman Developments Ltd

GRID REF: OS 344626, 237646

APPLICATION TYPE: Approval of Reserved Matters

Also Planning Consultation 183878 for the same topic

The Parish Council resolved to review their comments, regarding the applications for 90 dwellings in Clehonger, and there would be an update on the submission made.

11. Update on parish drainage, pipe work and flooding issues

A parish walk with the Locality Steward was required to look at and record the issues. Councillors Tony Cramp, Jeremy Lawrence and John Evans would arrange to meet with the Locality Steward. Items to be noted: "Alma Cottage", "Hungerstone House", Cobhall Common Road, Goosepool, Church Road and the orchards. Also there was standing water near "Inkerman". Cllr Jeremy Lawrence was drawing up an annotated map to inform the parish walk.

12. Village Matters

12.1) Accident risk on the Road A465 – update

The Group were working on signage for the lay-by on the A465 near the Village Hall and Mr Hancox would speak to the farm owner regarding signage for the lorries that would be needed for the approved planning construction sites. Police speed checks had been carried out in the Saxon House, Village Hall area but results had not indicated an average speed that had raised concern (62 mph advised as average). There would be

further requests made for speed monitoring to keep up familiarity and hopefully raise awareness.

Mr Hancox advised that litter picking and sign cleaning would be organised by the voluntary group.

12.2) Update on defibrillator provision

No further update

12.3) Consideration of "Smart Water" property marking system

The system and offers had been looked into and a presentation received. Before committing to any proposed purchase, the likely take up would be subject to survey. Cllr Cramp would collaborate with Mt Hancox in regard to publicity. There were around 230 households in the parish. Data on take up would be collected between November 2019 and January 2020. Cllr Watkinson would check the deadline for the scheme offers.

Cllr Cramp gave a brief update regarding broadband. Giga Clear and Airband were two commercial providers. Further details would be communicated as roll out information was advised.

13. Items for next Agenda

All the usual items would be on the Agenda and to include Smart Water and road/lay-by signage

14. Confirmation of date of next Meeting

The next Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council would be held on Thursday 23rd January 2020 at the Allensmore Village Hall, from 8.00pm.

The Meeting closed at 9.48 pm

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Signedas a true record by Councillor (Chairman)

Dated: - 23rd January 2020

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