

Minutes of Allensmore Parish Council Meeting held on 22nd July 2021 at the Allensmore Village Hall from 7.30pm

In attendance: Cllrs J Evans, S Lawrence, T Cramp (Chair), S Williams, Y Chapman and Cllr C Watkinson (Vice Chair) plus Mrs A Wright (Clerk) and two members of the public.

1. Open Session

A question had been posed, via e mail to a council member, regarding a request for sandbag provision. It was explained that there was no longer any sandbag provision from Balfour Beatty. Residents would be responsible for providing their own bags as required. The sand etc. was available from local merchants. The councillor who had been contacted would explain the situation to the enquirer.

2. Introduction and welcome by the Chairman

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

3. Apologies for Absence

There were no apologies. Cllr J Lawrence was not present.

4. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

5. Brief Verbal Reports:

5.3 Ward Councillor:

Ward Cllr Christy Bolderson was not at the meeting but had circulated information when available.

6. To approve Minutes of the Annual Statutory and Annual Parish Council Meetings held on 20th May 2021.

Resolved: - The Minutes of the Annual Statutory and Annual Parish Council Meetings, held on 20th May 2021, were approved by the Council

7. To receive any correspondence and Information Update

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

Herefordshire Council

Council Leaders Report

Talk Community Correspondence

106 - Parish wish list
Annual Canvass information in progress

Knife Angel (Hereford) Project – tackling knife and aggressive crime through training and awareness – request for support with funding the workshops received.

Balfour Beatty

James Howells, the Locality Steward, had circulated his reports.

West Mercia Police

Bulletins had been circulated.

8. Finance

(8.1) **Resolved:** The following list of payments were approved, prop by Cllr S Williams and sec Cllr T Cramp:

Mrs A Wright (salary paid in accordance with contract)	
Tax due on salary payment (Payable to HMRC only)	£101.20
N Chapman (NDP Printing)	£28.93

(8.2) **Resolved:** The bank balance was noted at £10602.35.

(8.3) to consider donation to the Knife Angel Hereford project

The parish council discussed the request for a donation to the work of the Knife Angel project and resolved to make a contribution of £50.00 towards the aims of reducing knife and other violent crimes.

9. Planning

One application had been received for consideration of comments:

APPLICATION NO & SITE ADDRESS: Planning Consultation - 212344 - High Bank, Clehonger, Hereford, Herefordshire HR2 9TQ

DESCRIPTION: Proposed change of use from agricultural land to mixed use and erection of small portal frame unit for general storage and for maintenance of land.

APPLICANT(S): Mr & Mrs M Caldicutt

GRID REF: OS 344832, 237823

APPLICATION TYPE: Planning Permission

The application 212344 would be commented on following liaison by members.

The Parish Council had responded to the following Applications, previously:

Planning Consultation - 212440 - Silverdale, Winnal, Hereford, Herefordshire HR2 9BS

Planning Consultation - 211847 - Land at Bowling Green Farm, Clehonger, Herefordshire

Planning Consultation - 211813 - Yew Tree Farm, Poplar Road, Clehonger, Herefordshire

10. Neighbourhood Plan tracking

There was a brief discussion about the Neighbourhood Plan and the information that there was now an over 5 year land supply available for housing delivery. Cllr Y Chapman updated regarding the fact that target number of dwellings for the parish, to 2031, had already been met, and exceeded. A spreadsheet of developments was being kept to keep the figures up to date. The NDP appendix detailed issues raised while the plan was being progressed and would be kept under review.

The overall review of the NDP would take place throughout the year, probably twice, to keep it up to date and on track.

The speeding on the A465 working party had achieved some of their objectives however the working party had been stood down for the present. New representatives, Cllrs Evans and Chapman, had reconvened the original working party of residents and would look at the way forward. Contact had been made with Kilpeck Parish Council members, who were jointly concerned about speeding on the road. It was noted that, sadly, there had been two fatalities on the road since the working party had disbanded.

11. Drainage and related matters – update and grants

The works for the first grant portion had been carried out. Terms of the grant provision, as regards timescales, had been checked with the grant provider and confirmed as “okay”. Works would continue to be progressed.

Ongoing issues of flooding in the vicinity of Alma Cottage corner on the B4348 would continue to be pursued for resolution with Balfour Beatty, landowner etc.

Cllr Cramp would draft a letter, to accompany a leaflet, detailing riparian responsibilities in relation to householders’ adjacent ditches and watercourses. This would be circulated via the village mailing list.

12. Village Matters (brief action points and including footpaths)

The Footpath Officer (Cllr Williams) advised that there had not been a great deal of progress to report. The issue on path AN3 was being dealt with following Cllr Williams speaking with the landowner. Some overgrowth on path AN25 was also being checked out and Cllr Williams would speak to the landowner on this also. There were some availability issues for the supply of 2 kissing gates for the path AN26. No fixed price for

these was available until they come back into stock. The new gate fitting projects would be on hold until gates were available and then Cllr Williams would advise regarding potential costs.

St Andrews Church

Some things were happening at the Church – the porch was being repaired and plans were being made for a possible celebration in 2022 to mark the church bells being 300 years old in that year. There may be a history project arranged around this also.

Litter

The parish litter picking team would keep a watching brief on littering with picks happening throughout the year.

13. Items for next Agenda

All the usual items would be on the Agenda.

14. Confirmation of date of next Meeting

The next Meeting of the Parish Council would be held on 16th September 2021 at the Village Hall.

The Meeting closed at 8.22 pm

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Signedas a true record by Councillor (Chairman)

Dated: - 16th September 2021

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