# Minutes of Allensmore Parish Council Meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> November 2021 at the Allensmore Village Hall and on remote link from 8.15pm

**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 three members of the public.

#### 1. Open Session

The Chair of the Parish Council, Cllr Tony Cramp, welcomed everyone to the meeting. No items were raised during the Open Session.

The Open Session closed at 8.16 pm.

#### 2. Apologies for Absence

There were apologies received from Cllr J Lawrence.

#### 3. Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

# 4. Brief Verbal Reports:

#### 4.1 Ward Councillor:

Ward Cllr Christy Bolderson was not present at the meeting.

# 5. To approve Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on $16^{th}$ September 2021.

**Resolved:** - The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting, held on 16<sup>th</sup> September 2021, were approved by the Council

# 6. To receive any correspondence and Information Update

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

#### **Herefordshire Council**

Talk Community Newsletter 1 November 2021

Talk Community Newsletter 21 October 2021

Talk Community Newsletter 8 October 2021

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#### **Balfour Beatty**

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

#### **West Mercia Police**

Bulletins had been circulated.

#### 7. Finance

(7.1) **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)

£100.00

(7.2) **Resolved:** The bank balance was noted at £11786.06.

(7.3) **Resolved:** following consideration of the precept required it was agreed that the amount requested would be: £6250.00

#### 8. Planning

Planning applications had been received for consideration of comments, the details and comments were as below:

213754 - Wrens Nest, Allensmore, Hereford, Herefordshire HR2 9AR - Proposed alterations and extension to ground floor and new first floor added to form two storey dwelling

"Allensmore PC objects to the proposal in 213754. Whilst the property is set back from the road and somewhat screened, it is on higher ground than the surroundings and the large expansion to create a second storey would be very prominent. The proposed style and finish is also felt not to be in keeping with the local area."

213826 - Land adj to Three Horse Shoes, Winall, Allensmore, Herefordshire - "Allensmore PC objects to the proposal in 213826. The PC has no objection to the conversion of the integral garage to a home office but does object to the large and high car port. The scale, particularly the height of the car port, solid on three sides and located against the front boundary is felt to be disproportionate and incongruous."

213858 - Trap House Farmhouse, Allensmore, Hereford, Herefordshire HR2 9BP - "Proposed change of use of land from agriculture to residential to facilitate an extension to the garden associated with the planning unit at Trap House Farmhouse and the adjoining dwelling for which planning permission was granted via 192856/203219 Allensmore PC has no objection to this proposal in 213858 but wishes to ensure that a

condition is included which requires an appropriate landscaping plan which includes tree and hedgerow planting."

#### 9. Drainage and related matters –

#### 9.1) update on works

Project works were in hand to be completed by the end of the financial year. Drainage issues near Inkerman and one other outstanding item plus Hungerstone Pool.

9.2) To consider PC donation (contribution) towards pipe installation works for Cobhall Common (subject to proposals going ahead)

There was a discussion regarding the principle of a donation towards the installation of a new pipe for Cobhall Common. A qualified contractor would be procured and monies would be raised to procure and install a new length of pipe to assist with drainage. The drainage technician from Balfour Beatty had looked at the plans and was in accordance with the proposal. There were several options, in regard to length of pipe and final plans, but the subject for discussion was the proposal for the Parish Council to donate funds to assist with the overall cost. A sum of £3000.00 was proposed. This was debated and a contra bid for £2000.00 was put forward. The final outcome was that the principle of a donation received unanimous support. The sum of £3000.00 was supported by a majority vote. It was agreed that the donation, if made, would be capped at £3000.00.

### 10. Traffic and A465 Working Party – minutes of meetings and update

Cllr Chapman had circulated details. Cllrs Evans and Chapman had met with representatives from Kilpeck Council to discuss traffic issues. There was a wish to introduce safety features into the hamlets, white lines, signage to assist visibility and to deter overtaking etc. Comparisons of village gates and other signage from other counties were being made in regard to denoting residential areas. It was agreed that the Working Party should continue to discuss suggested ideas with the Kilpeck Working Party.

# 11. Village Matters (brief action points and including footpaths)

Cllr Cramp updated regarding the broadband situation. The company responsible did look like they would be pulling out and seemingly abandoning Allensmore. This was not good news. Callow & Haywood parish had made contact with Allensmore; they had connected themselves to broadband provision as a consortium and could offer advice etc.

The upkeep of the phone kiosk library had a new caretaker, Judy Mabe, who had taken over from the Gillicks.

## 12. Items for next Agenda

All the usual items would be on the Agenda in January 2022, also flooding

# 13. Confirmation of date of next Meeting

The next Meeting of the Parish Council would be confirmed for January 2022.

The Meeting closed at 9.36 pm

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8<sup>th</sup> November 2021

Signed .....as a true record by Councillor (Chairman)

Dated: - 13th January 2022

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