Donington with Boscobel Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting of Donington with Boscobel Parish Council held on Tuesday 18th June 2024 at the Methodist Church Hall, Albrighton at 7pm

Present: Cllrs David Beechey, Christine Jones, Robert Parry, Virginia Sankey, David Williams

17.24 Welcome by the Chair

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

18.24 Apologies for absence and reasons:

Apologies were received from:

Cllr Adrian Robinson – family commitment Cllr Phil Ogle – alternative commitment Cllr Lee Chatburn – alternative commitment Cllr Dawn Harper – alternative commitment

19.24 Declarations of Interest: a) Pecuniary b) Personal

There were none at this time

20.24 Public Session:

There were no questions from the public at this time

21.24 Minutes:

It was resolved to confirm the minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 21st May 2024 as a true record

22.24 Matters Arising

- a) Councillor Surgeries an update was given about Councillor surgeries, the Chairman reported that the Nature Reserve Barbecue was cancelled at short notice and did not go ahead.
- **b)** Financial Regulations it was resolved to approve the updated Financial Regulations
- c) Standing Orders this item was deferred

23.24 New Business

a) Proposal for works to the Nature Reserve

There was a discussion on a report from the Parks and Countryside Sites Manager regarding proposed works to the Nature Reserve. The proposed works aim to create wetland scrapes and contribute to natural flood management by the creation of a series of leaky dams along the Humphreston Stream.

A detailed report on the Nature Reserve Legacy project had been circulated to the Parish Council prior to the meeting on behalf of the Nature Reserve Management Committee. The overall cost of the works would be £26,342. The quotes are valid for 28 days but it was considered that the figures involved would be unlikely to change significantly enough to require immediate commitment to spend.

It was agreed to defer further discussion to the July meeting to allow all Councillors time to read the material and to contribute to the decision-making process.

24.24 Correspondence: For Action

a) The Lord-Lieutenant has written to the Parish Council to request suggested guests for a carol service to be held on 10th December 2024

It was agreed that Cllr Robert Parry would represent the Parish Council at this event.

b) The Swimming Club has written requesting a grant towards the club. This was received after the publication of the agenda.

There was discussion on the merits of the grant application, and it was noted that there was a seasonal reason to not delay in awarding it. £800 had been set aside in the budget, but as this would be the last chance for the Parish Council to offer the club a grant, it was decided to raise this figure. This would be formally ratified at the July Parish Council meeting.

It was resolved to award Albrighton Swimming Club a £2000 grant.

25.24 Correspondence: For Information.

 a) Severn Trent will be holding a stakeholder roadshow on Thursday 20th June, between 4:30pm-6:00pm at Abbeygate Hall at The Shropshire Wildlife Trust, 193 Abbey Foregate, Shrewsbury, SY2 6AH

26.24 Planning.

a) **Applications:**

24/02213/AGR: J Yates & Partners, Codsall Wood Renewal of agricultural track 3 meters by 10 meters east of existing agricultural building

No comment to file.

a) **Permission Granted:** none at this time

b) Permission Refusals: none at this time

c) Any other planning matters:

24/02241/: No.s 5, 6, 7 And 8 Shackerley Lane Proposal: The 4 cottages, all dwelling houses, have all been occupied by persons who have not had any connection to agricultural employment (or previous employment in that industry) for over 10 years, therefore not compliant with the conditon 3 of the original permission 75/67/85

No comment to file

27.24 Finance.

27.24.1 To approve the following payments -

Clerk	Clerk's salary & expenses (June)	£tbc	LGA 1972 s 112 (2) LGA 1972 s 111
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Clerk	Travel Expenses (June)	£13.50	LGA 1972 s.112
Hugo Fox	Website	£11.99	LGA 1972 s.111

27.24.2 Payments made following a decision made at the meeting of 21st May:

The following was noted:

RedHouse – Children's Summer Activities - £500

27.24.3 Income received

The following was noted:

Interest – £414.97 to the Public Sector Deposit Fund

27.24.4

- a) Bank Reconciliation it was resolved to receive and approve the bank reconciliation until the end of May 2024
- **b)** Spend to Date it was resolved to receive and approve the spend to date to the end of May 2024

28.24 Reports:

• Received:

- Albrighton Fayre Committee (Cllr R.Parry): plans are well in hand for the Fayre on 13th July, the assistance of Parish Councillors in distributing leaflets for the event is requested.
- RAF Cosford Cadets (Cllr R.Parry): it has been a successful year including two graduation ceremonies at the Station Church, an RAFAC Sunday parade and service, the Dining In Night in November and a Christmas Party for cadets. Thanks to all members of the Committee who have helped with these events.
- War Memorial Working Party (Cllr L Chatburn) Stonework is ready in the workshop Final metal work is being completed and finished in the approved green and stone white. Wood splicing and final preparation is underway. Installation expected end June/beginning July and is expected to take two weeks to complete.
- St Cuthbert's Bridge (Cllr L Chatburn): Bridge works have been successful, additional drainage has been formed and the bridge extended to safeguard against erosion. It is now fully accessible to all.
- Nature Reserve Report (D.Dale): a detailed report on the Nature Reserve Legacy project was circulated to the Parish Council prior to the meeting. The overall cost of the works would be £26,342.
- Clerk's Report (V.Voysey): the I.C.O (Information Commissioner's Office) has written asking about the Parish Council's policy on its use of CCTV. A reply has been sent to explain that the Parish Council does not have CCTV.
- Footpaths (Cllr V Sankey): a grant application has been filed with Shropshire Council for footpath access. There has not been a response yet.

Nothing to report:

- Royal British Legion (Cllr D. Williams
- Shropshire Council (Cllr Ed Bird)
- St Cuthbert's Working Party (Cllr L Chatburn)
- Boundary Review Working Group Meeting (Cllr D.Williams)

29.24 Training

Training information is available on: www.alcshropshire.co.uk/training

30.24 Date of the Next Meeting 16.7.22

Items for the agenda to be notified to the clerk by 6.07.22