

# **Donington with Boscobel Parish Council**

Minutes of a Meeting of Donington with Boscobel Parish Council held on Tuesday 15<sup>th</sup> October 2024 at the Methodist Church Hall, Albrighton at 7pm

In attendance: Cllrs Lee Chatburn, Christine Jones, Virginia Sankey, David Beechey, Phil Ogle, Robert Parry, David Williams, the Parish Clerk (Vanessa Voysey) and one member of the public

## **58.24 Welcome by the Chair**

The Vice-Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting

## **59.24 Apologies for absence and reasons:**

Apologies were accepted from:

Suzanne Francis – family commitment

## **60.24 Declarations of Interest: a) Pecuniary b) Personal**

None were declared

## **61.24 Public Session:**

There were no questions from the public

## **62.24 Minutes:**

It was resolved to confirm the minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 17<sup>th</sup> September 2024

## **63.24 Matters Arising**

### **a) Fishing Club**

Cllr Lee Chatburn reported that the rules of membership for the proposed fishing club have not yet been received, he suggested that a starting point would be for the Parks and Countryside Sites Manager and the Nature Reserve Management Committee to have a look at them particularly at the rules about bailiffs.

### **b) Council Closure – disposal of assets**

Consideration was given to the draft Asset Register noting items for disposal, retention by the newly formed Council, or to be written off. This would apply at by the time of the dissolution of the Parish Council.

It was resolved to disposal of the I.T equipment (laptop, printer and paper shredder) and the filing cabinet

It was resolved to transfer the cabin at the Nature Reserve, the commemorative World War 1 tree and plaque, to the Nature Reserve Management Committee.

Cllr David Williams said that he would speak formerly to the Church about the suggestion of transferring the Silent Soldier to St Cuthbert's Church so it could be placed by the military graves. Agreement of the church would also be required to transfer to it the Chain of Office. Cllr Williams said that the intention would be to place the chain in a frame with a small piece noting its connection to the Parish. He reported that he had spoken to Rev. Mary Thomas about putting the Parish Map in the Church Centre. He would also be discussing the oil painting, as it depicts St Mary's Church from Donington Pond.

#### **64.24 New Business**

##### **a) Clerk's Salary**

Cllr David Williams reported on a pay review and made a recommendation to the Council on it.

It was resolved that for the 1<sup>st</sup> April 2023 to 31 March 2024 period the SCP band be set at Band 26 and for the 1 April 2024 to 31 March 2025 the SCP be set at Band 31.

#### **65.24 Correspondence: For Action**

There was none at this time

#### **66.24 Correspondence: For Information**

The following were noted:

a) Temporary road closure at Shaw Lane Albrighton on 3rd November 2024 by Severn Trent Water to repair and replace defective manhole cover and frame Monday 09:30 - 15:30

b) Temporary road closure on Church Lane, Albrighton, on 28th to 30th January 2025 by Severn Trent for water-sluice valve operation, for closure and diversion route see: <https://one.network/?tm=140447105>

#### **67.24 Planning.**

##### **a) Applications:**

The following planning applications were noted with no comments to file:

24/03728/VAR

S73a application to Vary Condition 4 of approved planning application 24/01325/OUT Proposed Rural Workers Dwelling North Of JK Fresh Produce, Long Lane, Neachley,

24/03798/OHL

Works to increase the capacity in the area and to remove older sections of the network and replace with newer equipment Land On South Side Of, Beamish Lane, Albrighton, Shropshire

a) **Permission Granted:**

The following was noted:

23/04285/VAR (validated: 10/10/2023)

Neachley Paddock, Neachley Lane: Removal of conditions nos. 2 and 3 on planning permission ref: BR/APP/FUL/08/0556 to allow full residential occupation

*Decision: Grant Permission*

b) **Permission Refusals:** none at this time

c) **Any other planning matters:**

The following was noted:

24/03769/AGR

Grain Store To The West Of Donington Lane Albrighton Shropshire

Siting of 10 x 10,000 litre free standing plastic tanks, approximately 2.4m high by 2.4m diameter for the purpose of harvesting rainwater from the grain store roof

## 68.24 Finance.

i) It was resolved to approve the following payments –

Clerk	Clerk's salary (October)	£660.60	LGA 1972 s 112(2)
HMRC	Tax (October)	£27.60	LGA 1972 s.111
Clerk	Travel Expenses (October)	£13.50	LGA 1972 s.112 (2)
Hugo Fox	Website	£11.99	LGA 1972 s.111
NDS Taylor Ltd	Leaky dams - Nature Reserve	£12,300	Open Spaces Act 1906, ss 9 and 10
Unity Bank	Bank fees	£18	LGA 1972 s.111

ii) The following funds were committed following a decision made at the meeting of 17<sup>th</sup> September was noted

RAF Cosford Air Cadets - £2,500

Cricket Club - £5,000 (on hold by request)

iii) The following income received was noted: £421.38 to the Public Sector Deposit Fund (September)

iv) **Bank Reconciliation** – it was resolved to receive and approve the bank reconciliation until the end of September 2024

v) **Spend to Date** – it was resolved to receive and approve the spend to date to the end of September 2024

#### **69.24 Reports:**

- **Received:**

- Boundary Review Implementation Group: Cllr D.Williams. There is a lot of work to be done, however, nothing can happen until a Resolution Order is made and the County Solicitor has not yet been formally engaged to the job.
- Nature Reserve Management Committee: the Chairman has thanked the Parish Council for its support
- Footpaths: Cllr V.Sankey reported that the Albrighton footpaths group had secured funding to approve access, works would need to be completed by the end of March.
- Clerk's Report: the current auditor has been notified about the newly formed Council and the dissolution of Donington with Boscobel Parish Council.
- RAF Cosford Cadets. Cllr R Parry reported that there are now 100 cadets on the books. There may be a possible grant to help repair the club building but it is not certain at this time.

#### **70.24 Date of the Next Meeting 19.11.24**

Items for the agenda to be notified to the clerk by **9.11.24**