

Donington with Boscobel Parish Council

Minutes of a Meeting of Donington with Boscobel Parish Council held on Tuesday 19th November 2024 at the Methodist Church Hall, Albrighton at 7pm

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

71.24 Welcome by the Chair

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting

72.24 Apologies for absence and reasons:

The Council is to receive and noted the following apologies for absence:

Cllr Viriginia Sankey – personal commitment
Cllr Dawn Harper – work commitment

73.24 Declarations of Interest: a) Pecuniary b) Personal

There were no declarations of interest at this time

74.24 Public Session:

There were no questions or comments from the public at this time

75.24 Minutes:

It was resolved to confirm the minutes of the Council meeting held on Tuesday 15th October 2024 as a true record

76.24 Matters Arising

a) Fishing Club

Cllr David Williams reported that he had met with the three men proposing to set up a Fishing Club at the Donington Pool. The proposal has been put to the Nature Reserve Management Committee and Shropshire Council's Countryside Manager. Membership of the club will be free but will be controlled.

The Parish Council has been requested to consider granting £200 to assist in setting up the Donington Pool Angling Club. The club will control use of the pool and will work with the police to tackle poaching issues. People who want to fish will have to join the club and get an official Environment Agency license.

It was resolved to grant £200 towards the setting up of the Donington Pool Angling Club

b) Council Closure

Cllr David Williams reported that there had been another meeting of the Boundary Review Working Party. It is ready to issue a joint statement to go in the Parish Magazine and on social media. This is subject to an order being carried out by Shropshire Council. Nothing can be done legally until a Revocation Order is made, the County Solicitor has now been engaged to do it.

The precept for the new council will be dealt with over the next few weeks. The staff process needs to be dealt with to a timescale. On 31st March the Council will cease to function and will subsequently be closed, the last formal meeting will be held in March 2025. From April to May there will be an interim period with a interim Council comprised of Cllrs Nigel Lumby, Colin Noakes, David Williams, Christine Jones and Lee Chatburn. Cllr Nigel Lumby will have the casting vote.

Regarding assets, there is space for the Chairman's Roll Boards to be placed in Albrighton Library. It was proposed that a quote is obtained to update the boards, the cost would be approximately £25 per name and date.

It was resolved to proceed with updating the boards to the cost of £300.

77.24 New Business

Consideration was given to a request for a contribution to the Pensioners Christmas Party from the Albrighton Village Trust. Ten tickets have been allocated to the Parish Council for its residents.

It was resolved to grant £400 towards the Pensioners Christmas Party.

78.24 Correspondence: For Action

The Chairman of the Nature Reserve Management Committee has requested that the Parish Council consider purchasing materials for use at the Nature Reserve, this information had been received on the afternoon of the meeting. There was discussion on the revisions to the original project.

It was resolved to defer this item to the December meeting.

79.24 Correspondence: For Information

The following were noted:

- a) A Fix My Street improvements update has been issued by Shropshire Council
- b) Severn Trent will be installing a new water connection at Neachley Paddock, Neachley Lane, works are planned for the 30/01/2025 to 01/02/2025. There will be road closure on 30th and 31st January. The diversion route is on <https://one.network/?tm=140932327>
- c) Road Closure: Shaw Lane, 5th January 2025: Road Closure-Severn Trent Water-* to repair/replace defective manhole cover and frame Severn Trent Water Works Promoter Ref: LB7012204-000013440851B-02

Enforcement pattern for Shaw Lane Albrighton: Monday 09:30 - 15:30

80.24 Planning.

a) **Applications:** there were none at this time

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

b) **Permission Refusals:**

The following were noted:

24/03798/OHL (validated: 02/10/2024)

Land On South Side Of, Beamish Lane, Albrighton, Shropshire

Works to increase the capacity in the area and to remove older sections of the network and replace with newer equipment

Decision: Objection OHL/Circular Notification

24/03728/VAR (validated: 27/09/2024)

Proposed Rural Workers Dwelling North Of JK Fresh Produce, Long Lane, Neachley

S73a application to Vary Condition 4 of approved planning application 24/01325/OUT

Decision: Refuse

c) **Any other planning matters:**

The following was noted:

24/00864/FUL (validated: 06/03/2024)

Bothy Cottage, Neach Hill, Neachley Lane, Neachley, Shifnal, Shropshire, TF11 8PH

Proposal: Application under Section 73A of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990 to retain the change of use from equine to canine use, including associated temporary buildings, fence and gate in connection with the dog breeding enterprise operated at the site, for a temporary period of time up to 31st December 2027

Decision: Withdrawn

81.24 Finance.

81.24.1 To approve the following payments –

Resolved to approve the following payments:

Clerk	Clerk's salary (November)	£2710.31	LGA 1972 s 112(2)
HMRC	Tax (November)	£782.81	LGA 1972 s.111
Clerk	Travel Expenses (October)	£13.50	LGA 1972 s.112 (2)
Shropshire Council	DALNR support	£2000	
Hugo Fox	Website	£11.99	LGA 1972 s.111

81.24.2 To note any payments made following a decision made at the meeting of 15th October

None to note

81.24.3 To note any income received

The following was noted;

Interest – £406.05 to the Public Sector Deposit Fund October

It was agreed to move £15,000 over from the Public Sector Deposit Fund to the Unity account.

81.24.4

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

82.24 Reports:

- **Received:**
 - Boundary Implementation Group, Cllr D.Williams: once the Revocation Order is completed, notice will have to be given to suppliers. It was agreed to share details of the budget with the Group.
 - RAF Cosford Cadets, Cllr R.Parry: 25 cadets have joined the squadron to begin their 6 month basic training, the total number of cadets is now nearly 100. An annual dining in night was held on 8th November. Permanent accommodation issues are being addressed.
 - Albrighton Fayre, Cllr R Parry: the AGM will be held on 26th November to decide next year's Committee.

Nothing to report:

- Nature Reserve Report (D.Dale)
- Footpaths (Cllr V Sankey)
- Clerk's Report

83.24 Date of the Next Meeting 17.12.24

Items for the agenda to be notified to the clerk by **7.12.24**