

**MINUTES** of Astley Village Parish Council meeting held Wednesday, 5 September 2018 at Astley Village Community Centre, Hallgate, Astley Village.

Present Cllrs S Crook, R Fraser, C Lennox, L Lennox (Chairman), J McAndrew, J Nuttall, K Robinson, C Sheldon, 8.15 Cllr Lynch. Clerk Mrs D Platt.

282.01 Apologies for Absence – Not attending Cllrs Darragh

282.02 Declarations of Interest – none.

282.03 Public Participation

RESOLVED: Council agreed to suspend standing orders.

CCllr Riggott informed he had made enquiries over the request for road markings on the Hallgate junction and LCC are to carry out a survey. He will also ask if there is further information about a proposal for a circular bus.

RESOLVED: Council agreed to restore standing orders.

282.04 Minutes of Meeting

RESOLVED: Minutes of the Annual Council meeting of 4 July 2018 were accepted as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

282.05 Clerks Report

Members received the report.

Clerk to write to ascertain who the shops new owner is and who now owns the grassed area.

Grit bin issue – cleared out and transferred over to the school.

In front of shops two flags had been replaced and a new bin placed. Problems with the bins behind the shops, one not emptied for some months new removed.

New stone planters, circulate new price for building two, when it arrives.

Clerk updated hedge trimmers were sold and the SPID we were in negotiation.

282.06 Statutory Business

There were no issues raised with planning applications:

282.07 Financial Matters

iii) Grant application from Buckshaw Primary for a picnic seat

RESOLVED: Council agreed to purchase a recycled plastic picnic table/seating up to £500 (ex vat) and will donate it to Buckshaw Primary school.

i) Consider applications for payment made to the Council

RESOLVED: The following requests for payment/standing orders were approved.

£	24.00	Easy Websites	Monthly rental
£	51.26	HSL Direct	Litter gloves
£	142.44	Bell Brush	Litter pickers
£	278.00	Paper Rabbit	Newsletter print
£	73.75	1st Euxton ROF Scouts	Newsletter distribution
£	538.95	Gates Hut Ltd/TBR	Picnic bench
£	276.80	Employee 1	Salary Sept18

£	84.23	Employee 2	Salary Sept18
£	69.80	HMRC	Tax&NI Sept 18
£	94.38	Employee 1	Reimbursements
£	24.00	Easy Websites	Monthly rental
£	276.80	Employee 1	Salary Oct 18
£	84.03	Employee 2	Salary Oct 18
£	70.00	HMRC	Tax&NI Oct 18

ii) Approve financial monitoring statements

RESOLVED: Council received the reports.

Correct the £50 in the election budget which should be in the Audit budget.

282.11 Central Lancashire Local Plan - Call for Sites

RESOLVED: Council agreed to submit:

- Derian field to remain as POS
- Westway fields to remain as POS
- Field behind Buckshaw Primary, above Westway fields as POS
- Area of Separation be protected, between Astley Village/Westway and Euxton

Request an update on the Westway fields project from CBC.

282.12 Review Effectiveness of Internal Audit

RESOLVED: Council reviewed the documents and approved.

282.13 Financial Risk Assessment

RESOLVED: Council reviewed the documents, made minor adjustments and approved.

282.14 Christmas Planning

Date requested before School summer holidays, but not returned yet.

282.15 Winter newsletter

The planters were discussed. Move the two centre and two school planters to, a rectangle one on junction verge at Judeland, rectangle one at junction verge of Deerfold, a square one at junction verge of Long Croft Meadow and the last square one at junction verge of Studfold.

Christmas tree lighting scheme was discussed, it could be set in the ground or affixed to the railings.

8.15 Cllr Lynch arrived

The hedge along Chancery Road which the shops and school faced was discussed and it had been suggested by the pub and a shop that they would prefer to be seen more. Write to the Borough Councillor to ask that the removal of the hedge is investigated but a barrier would be needed so suggest retention of the knee rail already present.

Newsletter articles, deadline for articles 9 November:

Respect article CL	Flower show pictures ML
Programme of litter picks ML	School seat photo and article LL
Updated village plan CL	Volunteer planter scheme LL
Christmas	New pub article ML
Buckshaw School win LL	£2K pledge for HLF CBC grant bid JMCA

282.16 Environment Reports

Report missing The Farthings name plate.

The Neighbourhood Scheme informed via ML that they would be passing funds to the Council for its 'permanent' spid project. Clerk will await news from CBC on this and chase LCC for Spid review response.

282.17 Reports from Parish Council representatives on Other Bodies

Liaison Group – CL reported that LCC Cllr Iddon attended and answered questions regarding highways issues, CL asked if the junction of Hallgate could be reviewed, about the circular bus. Also discussed were Knotweed, Super fast Broadband and car parking on pavements.

Neighbourhood Meeting – LL reported it discussed Spids, fence at the community centre, wildflower meadow and outstanding paths through Harewood and Judeland wood.

Astley Village Advisory Committee – KR reported problems with Japanese Knotweed in the Reed Bed.

Friends of Astley park – KR reported they were continuing with litter picking, river clean ups and clearing of seeded trees. Looking for grants for a path around the play area from Elmwood.

282.18 Matters for information

The Chairman declared the public meeting closed.

**Future meeting dates 7pm Wednesdays. 2018: 7 November. 2019: 9 January, 6 March, 8 May, 3 July, 4 September, 6 November**