

DEERHURST PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on Wednesday, 27 July 2022 in Apperley Village Hall

Present: Len Attard – Chairman
Laura Bromberg
Jim Pollard
CC Phil Awford
Fiona Wallbank – Clerk

Parishioners: 0

1 APOLOGIES: Councillors Smith, Rutter, Wilkes, Oldham and BC McLain

2 MINUTES OF MEETING: The minutes of the meeting held on the Wednesday, 22 June 2022, having been circulated with the agenda were agreed and signed by the Chairman.

3 DECLARATION OF INTEREST: None

4 REPORTS FROM COUNTY COUNCILLOR AWFORD: Cllr Awford reported as follows:

- Gave a brief report of his meeting with Max Kelly the new Local Highways Manager
- Updated on other work at GCC around Scrutiny
- The LLFA had presented at Environment Scrutiny about their role and he presented the report of the Task Group set up to investigate cleaning up our rivers. This work had taken some months given the interviews required with water companies, the NFU, EA and other stakeholders

REPORT FROM BOROUGH COUNCILLOR MCLAIN: Not present

5 PUBLIC COMMENT: None

6 PLANNING:

6.1 Applications:

22/00639/FUL Manor Cottage, Walton Hill; Removal/variation of condition 1 of 18/00393/PDAD
Notified that this application had been validated however despite an email to the case officer on the 22 July the application had still not been uploaded in time for the meeting. **It was agreed that the Clerk should write to Sandra Ford, Head of Planning and the CEO. [Clerk has subsequently been informed that application has been invalidated]**

6.2 TBC Decisions:

22/00233/FUL Thornbury Cottage, Gabb Lane, Apperley: Erection of a side garden room extension - Granted

21/01049/FUL Red House Farm, Hoo Lane: Erection of a stable building, manure, septic tank and associated hard and soft landscaping works – Granted

21/01084/FUL Oak Cottage, Deerhurst Road, Apperley: Erection of a garage - Granted

6.3 Appeals/Appeal Decisions: None

6.4 Neighbourhood Plan: Councillor Bromberg gave a short update on the progress with the NDP. The grant for the sum of £6750 has been approved.

Councillor Bromberg thanked the NDP Steering Group for all the voluntary hours they had put in to get the plan to this stage.

Any Other Planning Matters:

21/00418/AGR Three Oaks Farm GL19 4DP: Councillors Pollard's email had been circulated to the Councillors and **it was agreed that the clerk should email Sandra Ford with a copy to the Chief**

Executive.

7 FINANCIAL MATTERS:

7.1 Accounts for payment and receipts:

	Item	Expenditure	Income	Comment
1	Clerk's salary – July Less Tax	380.99 <u>18.60</u> 362.39		Paid
2	Inland Revenue	18.60		Paid
3	AVH – Meeting June	15.00		Paid
4	Wa+erplus for the period 14 April to 7 July	23.06		Paid
5	Systemforce Ltd Hosting of website and purchase of domain name	99.00 <u>VAT 19.80</u> 118.80		Paid
6	Countrywide: Grass Cutting x 3	375.00 <u>VAT 75.00</u> 450.00		
7	Allotment Rent		30.00	
8	HM Customs & Excise -VAT refund		1670.67	
9	NDP Grant		6750.00	
	Total	£987.85	£8450.67	

Proposed Payments for August:

	Item	Expenditure	Income	Comment
1	Clerk's salary – August Less Tax	380.99 <u>18.60</u> 362.39		Paid
2	Inland Revenue	18.60		Paid
3	AVH – Meeting July	15.00		Paid
4	Countrywide grass cutting	125.00 <u>VAT 25.00</u> 150.00		Paid
5	Brian Lovejoy – marine ply for play area	87.48		Paid
	Total	£633.47	£0.00	

7.2 Financial Statement: Circulated with the agenda - the Chairman signed this.

8 MATTERS ARISING

8.1 Apperley Village Hall: Nothing to report

Allotment: Nothing to report

Play area: Nothing to report

Playing Field: Nothing to report

8.2 Highways: School Road: Works have been carried out however the road did not need to get closed.

Drainage Works opposite Moores Ground have been carried out.

8.3 Public Rights of Way: No issued raised.

8.4 Speed Signs/ANPR: Councillor Pollard reported that there were 3 people who would make up the Community Speedwatch Group – awaiting training.

8.5 Ash Dieback Scheme: It was agreed that the Chairman would speak to some parishioners to ascertain if they would like any of the saplings – minimum order 25.

9 CORRESPONDENCE:

Laptop: The Clerk confirmed that the Parish Council's new laptop is covered by the PCs insurance.

This year there won't be an additional premium however there will be an increase in next year's premium.

10 MATTERS RAISED FOR NOTIFICATION:

Noticeboard top of Sawpit Lane: Councillor Pollard reported that the noticeboard had warped in the recent very hot days. He would speak to Brian Lovejoy to see if the doors can be adjusted.

Website: The Clerk reported that now the domain had been purchased the website could proceed with being built. Councillor Bromberg had emailed over her drafts for the website. A parishioner who has said he would be happy to help is currently away.

11 DATE FOR NEXT MEETING: Wednesday, 27 July 2022 at 7.15pm

Close of meeting 19.56 pm