

**ALBRIGHTON PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF MEETING
4th August 2016 at 7.15 pm in the council meeting room**

Minutes of the Albrighton Parish Council planning meeting held on Thursday 4th August 2016 in the council meeting room.

PRESENT: Cllrs. P Harrison (Chairman), C Hassall, P Illes, S Pledger, C Roseby, A Straney, P Woodman.

PUBLIC SESSION:

No members of the public were in attendance.

1. APOLOGIES.

Cllrs. D Beechey (family reasons), P Griffin (illness), S Kirkland (illness), M Pate (another engagement), S Pate (ill health).

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

To receive declarations under consideration on this agenda in accordance with the Localism Act 2011 s32 and The Relevant Authorities (Disclosable Pecuniary Interests) Regulations 2012.

There were no declarations of interests.

3. PLANNING:

Planning applications:

Reference: 16/02692/FUL (validated: 30/06/2016)

Address: Wisley House, Harriots Hayes Lane, Albrighton, WV8 1RQ

Proposal: Erection of extension to rear of existing garage

Applicant: Alan Bradshaw

Cllr. Woodman proposed that planning application 16/02692/FUL should be approved which was seconded by Cllr. Pledger and agreed by council 6 – 0 with 1 abstention.

Reference: 16/02870/FUL (validated: 28/07/2016)

Address: 47 Elm Road, Albrighton, WV7 3LL

Proposal: Erection of a two storey side extension, enlargement of front bay window and associated works

Applicant: Mr Bram Davis

Cllr. Harrison proposed that planning application 16/ 02870/FUL should be approved which was seconded by Cllr. Illes and unanimously agreed by council.

Reference: 16/03461/TEL (validated: 28/07/2016)

Address: Telephone Exchange, Station Road, Albrighton, Wolverhampton, Shropshire, WV7 3QG

Proposal: Upgrade of existing mobile telecommunications equipment

Applicant: Arqiva Limited Hutchison 3G Ltd and EE Ltd (Crawley Court, Winchester, WV7 3QG)

Cllr. Pledger proposed that planning application 16.03461/TEL should be approved which was seconded by Cllr. Woodman and unanimously agreed by council.

Grant permission:

Reference: 16/02149/FUL (validated: 07/06/2016)

Address: 43 Church Road, Albrighton, Wolverhampton, Shropshire, WV7 3LH

Proposal: Erection of single storey rear extension

Decision: Grant Permission

Received and noted.

Reference: 14/03419/FUL (validated: 19/08/2014)

Address: Little Meeson, Shaw Lane, Albrighton, Wolverhampton, Shropshire, WV7 3DS

Proposal: Erection of 4No dwellings following demolition of existing dwelling

Decision: Grant Permission

Received and noted.

Reference: 14/03657/OUT (validated: 13/08/2014)

Address: Development Land East of, Garridge Close, Albrighton, Shropshire

Proposal: Outline application for residential development (to include access)

Decision: Grant Permission

Received and noted

Planning enforcement

Date Received: 12/07/2016

Reference: 16/04970/ENF

Status: Pending Consideration

Address: Albrighton Garage, 92 High Street, Albrighton, Wolverhampton, Shropshire, WV7 3JT

Description of Issue: Erection of a fence

Case Officer: Julian Beeston

Area Office: South - Bridgnorth

Contact Details: 0345 6789004

Email: planningenforcement@shropshire.gov.uk

Received and noted. The clerk was asked to pass on the council comment that a further length of high fencing had been erected on the edge of the pavement.

Prohibition and Restriction of Waiting and Parking

No Waiting at Any Time parking restriction

Station Road: From a point 8m north-east of its junction with Shaw Lane to the junction with the A41 slip road.

Station Road: From the property boundary of 1 Brooklands and 67 Station Road to the junction with the A41 slip road.

Received and noted. Members were pleased to note this change to existing arrangements.

4. TO CONSIDER THE AUDITOR'S REPORT AND ALL RECOMMENDATIONS THEREIN.

The Chairman noted that the internal auditor recorded that 'the standard of administration and system of internal controls relating to the audit areas examined was considered to be of a high standard'. He went through the report and each item and recommendation was discussed by members. They agreed to a formal review of financial, operational and management risks being undertaken and the dispersal of council assets among a number of savings organisations in order that the maximum investment did not exceed £75,000 guaranteed by FSCS. Members also noted that auto enrolment with the Pensions Regulator had been completed following the publication of the report.

Cllr. Pledger proposed that the report should be accepted by council and its contents noted which was seconded by Cllr. Woodman and unanimously agreed by council.

5. TO CONSIDER A 'PAY AS YOU GO' CONTRACT WITH SHROPSHIRE HR.

Members considered the costs associated with a 'pay as you go' contract for HR support from Shropshire Council and agreed that if a contract was entered into it would need careful monitoring. Cllr. Pledger felt that there were personnel issues which would require professional help now that the council had taken over the library and proposed that a draft contract should be requested for further investigation and possible approval. Cllr. Roseby seconded the motion which was approved by council 6 – 1.

6. TO CONSIDER A REQUEST FOR SUPPORT IN THE REMOVAL OF EXCESSIVE GROWTH FROM A TREE IN FRONT OF THE RED HOUSE AND THE IMPROVEMENT OF THE UNEVEN BLOCK PAVING AROUND THE GRASSED AREA.

Cllr. Illes informed members that he had attended a Red House meeting in which the issue of the tree and the block paving were discussed. It was noted that the land belonged to Shropshire Council and members gave their support to efforts by the Red House committee for the removal of excessive growth from the tree in question and the relaying of the block paving which was uneven in places and constituted a trip hazard.

7. ITEMS FOR THE AGENDA FOR THE BUSINESS MEETING TO BE HELD IN SEPTEMBER 2016 IN THE COUNCIL MEETING ROOM.

Members proposed that the following items should be placed on the business meeting agenda for September 2016:

- Sports initiative;
- Councillors' expenses.

8. CORRESPONDENCE:

- **For information:**

SALC – Information Bulletin July 2016.

Received and noted.

SALC – Events Programme February to December 2016.

Cllr. Pledger said that she would attend the SALC AGM and conference on Saturday 19th November.

- **For action:**

Shropshire Housing Group – presentation pack on affordable housing schemes and an invitation to discuss possible initiatives in Albrighton.

Members agreed to ask a representative of Shropshire Housing Group to attend a future meeting and discuss possible housing initiatives locally.

Quotation for the removal of moles at Clockmills from Steve the Mole Pest Control for the period on one month.

The clerk outlined the discussions he had had with contractors to try and solve the mole problem at Clockmills which was rented by the council from Severn Trent Water. The tunnels under the surface were a problem which would remain even if the moles were removed and their presence in the uncultivated land adjoining the pitch meant that they were likely to return even if they were removed from the football pitch.

Cllr. Pledger felt that Steve the Mole should be engaged for two periods but Cllr. Woodman preferred an agreement lasting one month. Cllr. Straney felt that members needed to know what a twelve-month contract would cost which would allow a company to tackle the problem over an extended period.

Cllr. Illes proposed that the matter should be referred to the Finance Committee who could take a more considered look at the problem which was seconded by Cllr. Hassall and agreed by council 4 – 1 with 2 abstentions.

Albrighton Football Club – request for a meeting to discuss the development of Clockmills football pitch.

Cllr. Harrison proposed that the Chair and Vice Chair of council should meet with representatives of Albrighton Football which was seconded by Cllr. Illes and unanimously agreed by council.

Shropshire Housing Group – invitation for a council representative to attend the bi-annual stakeholder event at Shrewsbury Football Club during the afternoon of Thursday 8th September 2016.

Members agreed that Cllr. Harrison should represent the council at the stakeholder meeting on 8th September 2016.

9. DATES AND TIMES OF FUTURE MEETINGS:

- **Quarterly library meeting for staff on 24th August 2016 at 1.30 pm in the council meeting room;**
- **Albrighton Parish Council planning meeting on 1st September 2016 at 7.15 pm in the council meeting room;**
- **Meeting for staff from council with devolved libraries on 8th September 2016 at 2.00 pm in Albrighton library;**
- **Albrighton Parish Council library committee on 14th September at 10.00 am in the council meeting room;**
- **Albrighton Parish Council business meeting at a date to be arranged in September 2016.**

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.05 pm.

Signed.....Date.....
Chairman