

<p style="text-align: center;"><b>ALBRIGHTON PARISH COUNCIL</b> <b>MINUTES OF MEETING</b> <b>Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2015 at 7.15 pm in the Red House</b></p>
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Minutes of Albrighton Parish Council's planning meeting held on 5<sup>th</sup> February 2015 at 7.15 pm in the Red House.

**PRESENT:** Cllrs. S Pledger (Chair), P Harrison (Vice Chair), D Beechey, P Griffin, P Illes, S Jarvis, S Kirkland, M Medlyn, M Pate, A Robinson, C Roseby.

In attendance: Mr M Ward, Clerk to Albrighton Parish Council.

**PUBLIC SESSION:**

No members of the public were present at the meeting.

**1. APOLOGIES:**

Cllrs. S Hall (work commitments), S Pate (ill health).

Each apology was accepted by the Council.

**2. PLANNING**

**Planning applications:**

**Reference: 14/05647/TPO (validated: 21/01/2015)**

**Address: 4 Manor Gardens, Albrighton, Wolverhampton, Shropshire, WV7 3RD**

**Proposal: Crown reduction of 1No Lime Tree and 1No Oak Tree by 2m protected by Shropshire Council (Land at Cross Road, Albrighton) TPO 2010**

**Applicant: Mrs Shotton**

Council raised no objections to this application.

**Reference: 14/05404/ADV (validated: 26/01/2015)**

**Address: 88 High Street, Albrighton, Shropshire, WV7 3JT**

**Proposal: Erect and display one non-illuminated fascia sign**

**Applicant: Mrs C Fletcher (C/o Agent)**

Council raised no objections to this application.

**Reference: 15/00290/FUL (validated: 22/01/2015)**

**Address: Beggars Roost , Cross Road, Albrighton, Shropshire, WV7 3QT**

**Proposal: Erection of a first floor side extension above existing garage**

**Applicant: Mr David Turner**

Council raised no objections to this application.

**Grant Permission:**

**Reference: 14/05189/FUL (validated: 20/11/2014)**

**Address: 61 Windsor Road, Albrighton, Wolverhampton, WV7 3PN**

**Proposal: Erection of part single and part two storey extension to side and rear elevations**

**Decision: Grant Permission**

Received and noted.

**Reference: 14/05482/TPO (validated: 08/12/2014)**

**Address: Albrighton Railway Station, Station Road, Albrighton, Wolverhampton, Shropshire, WV7 3DR**

**Proposal: Removal of two trees protected by Shropshire Council (Land off Shaw Lane and Kingswood Road, Albrighton) TPO 2010**

**Decision: Grant Permission**

Received and noted.

**Reference: 14/04962/LBC (validated: 05/11/2014)**

**Address: 2 Church Road, Albrighton, Wolverhampton, WV7 3LB**

**Proposal: Internal works to include reinstatement of fireplaces and installation of log burner; external works to include installation of replacement doors and windows to rear extension in timber; replacement gates/garage doors; roof works to existing flat roof (amended description)**

**Decision: Grant Permission**

Received and noted.

**Reference: 14/04901/FUL (validated: 30/10/2014)**

**Address: 16 Bushfield Road, Albrighton, Wolverhampton, Shropshire, WV7 3PD**

**Proposal: Formation of first floor extensions to front and rear elevations to provide first floor accommodation; erection of car port to side elevation**

**Decision: Grant Permission**

Received and noted.

**Reference: 14/04641/FUL (validated: 14/10/2014)**

**Address: Whiston House , Holyhead Road, Albrighton, Wolverhampton, WV7 3BT**

**Proposal: Erection of a single storey rear extension and relocation of oil tank and enclosure following demolition of existing single storey lean to extension**

**Decision: Grant Permission**

Received and noted.

**Reference: 14/05142/FUL (validated: 05/12/2014)**

**Address: 4 Beamish Farm Barns, Beamish Lane, Albrighton, Wolverhampton, Shropshire, WV7 3AG**

**Proposal: Erection of a detached garage**

**Decision: Grant Permission**

Received and noted.

**Planning Enforcement:**

**Date Received: 13/01/2015**

**Reference: 15/04516/ENF**

**Status: Pending Consideration**

**Address: 19 Grange Park, Albrighton, Wolverhampton, Shropshire, WV7 3EN**

**Description of Issue: Additional extension to approved planning permission 07/0034 (detached triple garage)**

**Case Officer: Julian Beeston**

**Area Office: South - Bridgnorth**

**Contact Details: 0345 6789004**

**Email: [planningenforcement@shropshire.gov.uk](mailto:planningenforcement@shropshire.gov.uk)**

Cllr. Harrison explained the background to this application which dated from 2007.

Members received the report and noted the content.

**3. PLANNING EMAIL FROM MR TOM COLLINS, ESTATES SURVEYOR, SHROPSHIRE COUNCIL, REGARDING THE PROPOSED PURCHASE OF SURPLUS COUNCIL LAND BY THE OWNER OF 2 ABNEY AVENUE, ALBRIGHTON:**

Members noted the contents of Mr Collins' letter and the fact that the land in question was small in area. Members made no adverse comments on the proposals and gave their unanimous approval to Mr Collins' proposals.

**4. EMERGENCY ITEM 1. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE TRANSPORT COMMITTEE ON THE FUTURE OF THE ALBRIGHTON FLYER RECOMMENDING THAT IT STAYS IN THE CONTROL OF ALBRIGHTON AND DONINGTON COUNCILS.**

Cllr. S Pledger provided details of the visit by a small number of Transport Committee members and the Clerk to Friendlybus at Broseley and confirmed that the Committee recommended that the Albrighton Flyer should continue to be managed by Albrighton and

Donington Councils and the that the discussions with Friendlybus should be discontinued. The two problems that led to this conclusion were:

- Friendlybus was operated by a rota of volunteer drivers whereas the Albrighton Flyer was managed by an appointed contractor;
- The implications of reconciling these two contrasting business models could be problematic.

Cllr. Pate proposed that the committee's recommendation to discontinue talks with Friendlybus and continue the current management arrangement for the Flyer should be accepted. Cllr. Beechey seconded the proposal which was unanimously agreed by Council.

## **5. EMERGENCY ITEM 2. TO RECEIVE A REPORT FROM THE CLLR. S PLEDGER ON A POSSIBLE MOVE OF THE COUNCIL OFFICE TO ALTERNATIVE PREMISES.**

Cllr Pate declared a personal interest in this agenda item.

Cllr. S Pledger explained that an approach had been made to the Red House and a room was available for the Parish Council if they decided to proceed with a move on terms that would follow. A visit had also been made to the library where modifications to the building would be needed if a move to this facility was agreed. This initiative could also involve discussions on the future management of the library.

Cllr. Griffin said that full details of all of the possibilities needed to be made clear including the option of staying at the present office and Cllr. Jarvis supported his suggestion that a small working group should be established to investigate each of the possibilities. Cllr. Illes stressed the importance of the library to the residents of the village and Cllr. Jarvis asked whether the Red House debt repayments to the Council could be used to subsidise a possible move to the Red House. It was agreed that this was outside of the agreement between the Council and the Red House and Cllr. Jarvis went on to suggest that members should investigate moving to other business premises that were vacant in the centre of the community. Cllr. Robinson seconded this proposal which was defeated by 5 votes to 4 with 2 abstentions.

Cllr. Kirkland proposed asking whether the present landlord would accept reduced terms if the Council continued its tenancy. Cllr. Pate supported this motion and suggested he should be asked for a 50% reduction in rent for exclusive use of the property and if he refused the Council should give the required 3 months' notice with immediate effect. The motion was accepted 9 – 0 with 2 abstentions and the Clerk was asked to contact the landlord and put the suggestion to him. The Clerk was also asked to inform Shropshire Council so that they could consider their position with regard to the future of the Customer Service Point.

Cllr. Griffin proposed that a small working party should be established to consider the three options available to the Council and report back to members on 19<sup>th</sup> February. The motion was seconded by Cllr. Illes and unanimously agreed. Cllrs. Beechey, Griffin, Harrison and

Pledger plus the Clerk all agreed to join the working group and Cllr. Pate was also invited to come to the meetings if he could.

**6. ITEMS FOR THE AGENDA FOR THE ALBRIGHTON PARISH COUNCIL BUSINESS MEETING ON 19<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2015.**

Members confirmed their earlier wish to place the matter of a public toilet situated in the centre of the village now that it was included in the 2015 Place Plan on the next agenda.

**7. DATES AND TIMES OF FUTURE MEETINGS**

- **Albrighton Parish Council business meeting Thursday 19<sup>th</sup> February 2015 at 7.15 pm in the Red House.**
- **Albrighton Parish Council planning meeting Thursday 5<sup>th</sup> March 2015 at 7.15 pm in the Red House**

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

Signed.....Date.....  
Chair