

MINUTES of Astley Village Parish Council meeting held Wednesday, 1 November 2017 at Astley Village Community Centre, Hallgate, Astley Village.

Present Cllrs A Bridge, R Fraser, C Lennox, L Lennox (Chairman), J McAndrew, M Lynch, J Nuttall, K Robinson. Clerk Mrs D Platt.

It was noted that Mr Douglas Hope had submitted his resignation.

277.01 Apologies for Absence

277.02 Declarations of Interest – none.

277.03 Public Participation

RESOLVED: Council agreed to suspend standing orders.

A resident attended the meeting to inform that residents had raised a petition regarding the poor Stagecoach service in the village, recently the service has been further reduced and bus times are poor. Residents feel that the service is poor for residents.

Cty Cllr Aidy Riggott had raised concerns with LCC but had no response as yet.

Bgh Cllr Matt Lynch has met with the MP, Chorley and LCC, provisional agreement for an inner circle bus for Chorley including Chorley Tesco and the Hospital servicing Astley Village – this is a proposal and there is some s106 monies from Buckshaw Village available. The changes would need 12 weeks notice, but this is not agreed yet.

A resident asked what was happening at the Rugby Club land as the site appears to have stalled.

The Farthings, the last house No 125, land adjacent is now being used for car parking.

Piece of land on Southport Road, rear 125 The Farthings, Cllr McAndrew had reported this to CBC on the reporting system.

Hallgate car park appears to be very full is it now a park and ride.

Welcome to Astley Village sign, could it not have a white background.

Triangle signs outside of school are only now outside of School. Yellow lines have been requested by Bgh Cllr to LCC.

RESOLVED: Council agreed to restore standing orders.

277.04 Minutes of Meeting

RESOLVED: Minutes of the Council meeting of 6 September 2017 were accepted, with one minor change, as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

277.05 Clerks Report

Members received the report.

277.06 Statutory Business

17/01004/CLPUD 21 Elmwood, Application for a certificate of lawfulness for the erection of a detached outbuilding – no observations.

17/00985/FULHH 9 Wymundsley, First floor side extension – concerns over the access and if it comes through the hedge-line will spoil the hedge-line and they should not break through the hedge.

17/00942/FULHH 21 Woodfall, Conservatory – this is retrospective application, residents were not aware that the property had had a previous extension, other properties come further out than their property.

Cllr Lynch declared an interest.

17/00/647/OUT application for a new property next to 65 Studfold – planning officers have recommended this for approval. It was noted that a Parish Councillor was attending the Development Control meeting.

Access from Edgefield and Strawberry Fields applications – what is happening with these two applications.

277.07 Financial Matters

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
£	142.54	Employee 1	Reimbursements
£	261.28	Employee 1	Salary Nov 2017
£	81.05	Employee 2	Salary Nov 2017
£	282.53	Employee 3	Salary Nov 2017
£	65.60	HMRC	Tax&NI Nov 2017
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ii) Approve financial monitoring statements.

RESOLVED: Council approved the monitoring figures.

iii) Appointment of internal auditor process.

RESOLVED: Council agreed to the Audit process.

Put an advert in our newsletter.

277.08 Consultations

Chorley Council Bus service request.

Although Council would have considered supporting a service which served Astley Village it appears there is no legal power.

RESOLVED: Council's response to Chorley Council would include the above sentence and information that Parish Council's do not have a legal power to contribute to commercial bus service. Council urges Chorley to research not-for-profit or community style services.

RESOLVED: Council reiterates its comment from the last meeting to Stagecoach and its invitation to visit the Council to discuss the poor coverage in Astley Village.

277.09 Christmas event planning

Monday, 11 December at 7pm, WI and Parklands have confirmed.

Programmes need to be printed up.

LL will ensure Scouts informed.

277.10 Winter newsletter planning

Change front photo for snowy scene.

Vacancy advert add in 'invited for January meeting'.

277.11 Set Calendar

RESOLVED: The dates were agreed, January was moved on one week.

277.12 Personnel Committee

RESOLVED: Cllr John McAndrew was nominated and agreed.

277.13 Environment Reports

LL at least three months, temporary railings outside the Community Centre left by Chorley Council.

LL four litter bins in centre are all full and overflowing.

SPID – as the second Councillor helper has now left the Council we need to consider what to do with the SPID. Put on January agenda.

Garage items not being used due to the reduced hours – this will be passed to the Personnel Committee.

Leaves blocking drains in a number of areas.

Timberbrook drains and fly-tipping reported.

277.13 Reports from Parish Council representatives on Other Bodies

Friends of Astley Park – KR fountain is a priority. Missing play equipment has been chased, missing swings, roundabouts etc.

277.14 Matters for information

The Chairman declared the meeting closed.

**2018 meeting dates: 7pm Wednesdays:
10 January, 7 March, 2 May, 4 July, 5 September, 7 November.**

9.00