

MINUTES of Astley Village Parish Council meeting held Wednesday, 9 January 2019 at Astley Village Community Centre, Hallgate, Astley Village.

Present Cllrs B Darragh, R Fraser, C Lennox, L Lennox (Chairman), J McAndrew,
J Nuttall, C Sheldon. Clerk Mrs D Platt. Public 1

284.01 Apologies for Absence – S Crook, K Robinson.

284.02 Declarations of Interest – none.

284.03 Public Participation

RESOLVED: Council agreed to suspend standing orders.

CtyCllr Riggott LCC had circulated information from the last meeting via email. Long Croft Meadow road surfacing work has been completed. Chancery Road speed is monitored every two weeks to the end of February. The response regarding the buses was contained in a larger response, the AV relevant pieces can be picked out.

Double yellow lines request was responded to by Cllr Iddon and more inspections were to be made when school starts – what is the latest on this issue.

Potholes on Chancery Fields near to Westway have been reported.

RESOLVED: Council agreed to restore standing orders.

284.04 Minutes of Meeting

RESOLVED: Minutes of the Council meeting of 7 November 2018 were accepted as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

284.05 Clerks Report

Members received the report.

The Parking Plans, for events in the Park, will be circulated and observations will be returned to be considered in Chorley's review.

The planters were discussed, two were not planted up by Chorley and the Clerk has asked for these not to be invoiced for.

Planning in practice training, Cllr Lennox and Darragh

284.06 Statutory Business

There were no issues raised with planning applications.

284.07 Financial Matters

i) Consider applications for payment made to the Council

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

£	50.00	Astley WI	Christmas help
£	288.00	Paper Rabbit	Newsletter print
£	24.00	Easy Websites	Monthly rental
£	40.00	SLCC	Membership
£	15.45	CBC	Room hires
£	3350.00	Adlington Dry Stone	Two flower beds
£	104.68	Employee 1	Reimbursements
£	276.80	Employee 1	Salary Jan19
£	84.23	Employee 2	Salary Jan19
£	69.80	HMRC	Tax&NI Dec 18
£	24.00	Easy Websites	Monthly rental
£	276.80	Employee 1	Salary Feb19

£	84.03	Employee 2	Salary Feb19
£	70.00	HMRC	Tax&NI Feb19

ii) Approve financial monitoring statements

RESOLVED: Council received the reports.

iii) Appoint an Internal Auditor

RESOLVED: Council agreed to appoint Mrs S Edwards as Internal Auditor for £75.

iv) Set Precept

The Tax Base figure this year is 940.38. Last year the average Band D fee was £22.00.

RESOLVED: Council agreed the average band D fee would be £22.00 for residents so the precept would come in at £20,670.

Christmas Tree lights are to be costed up. Also discussed was a project at the rear of the Green, 'meadow project' and ideas would need to be discussed so a project could be drawn up and costed. Discussed the hedge along the front of the shop grass land and the removal of the hedge and for a barrier to be put there instead.

284.08 Newsletter Planning

Planters adoptions	Tree replacements, hedgerow front
Christmas photos	Election
Boundary report CL	Litter kit reminder
Spid update	Report faults – CL
Meadow project and Christmas lights RF	
Event parking problems – AVPC contributed to a review	
Articles for third week in March, delivery early April.	

284.09 Asset Register

RESOLVED: Council agreed to try to sell the Blower.

Discussed asking Chorley Council if a storage area can be created, with an outside door access, for our village caretaker.

284.10 Environment Reports

There has been some fly posting around the village recently, which was acted upon quickly and removed.

284.11 Reports from Parish Council representatives on Other Bodies

LL – the Liaison meeting is next week and the Neighbourhood Meeting later in February.

284.12 Matters for information

It was asked of the Council if they wanted to continue with the Christmas Carol singing event as so few Councillors attended it was not felt to be supported. Council discussed and thought that it was too early. Clerk to ask Parklands for a date w/c 16 December or 9 December.

The Chairman declared the public meeting closed.

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