

**MINUTES** of Astley Village Parish Council meeting held Wednesday, 8 January 2020 at Astley Village Community Centre, Hallgate, Astley Village.

Present Cllrs A Almond, S Crook, R Fraser, C Lennox, L Lennox (Chairman),  
K Robinson, J McAndrew, C Sheldon.

Clerk Mrs D Platt. Public 0

290.01 Apologies for Absence – Cllr J Dawson

290.02 Declarations of Interest – none at this time.

290.03 Public Participation

None present.

290.04 Minutes of Meeting

RESOLVED: Minutes of the Council meeting of 6 November 2019 were accepted as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

290.05 Clerks Report

Members received the report.

290.06 Statutory Business

There were no applications.

290.07 Financial Matters

Thanks to the Clerk for the tree lights and My Girls for hosting the Christmas event.

i) Approve expenditures for payment

RESOLVED: Council

£	24.00	Easywebsites	Monthly rental
£	389.53	Festive Lights	New Christmas lights
£	460.00	Newbury Printers	Winter newsletter
£	708.00	Pandora Technologies	Bluetooth additions
£	136.05	Eccleston Electrical	Christmas tree supply repair
£	204.37	Employee 1	Reimbursements
£	278.86	Employee 1	Salary Jan2020
£	88.95	Employee 2	Salary Jan2020
£	69.80	HMRC	Salary Jan2020
£	24.00	Easywebsites	Monthly rental
£	278.66	Employee 1	Salary Feb 2020
£	88.95	Employee 2	Salary Feb 2020
£	69.80	HMRC	Salary Feb 2020

ii) Receive finance reports

Finance reports were received.

iii) Set the precept figure

RESOLVED: Council agreed a precept of £22.00 for each Band D rated property.

iv) Appoint the Internal Auditor for 2019/2020 Accounts

RESOLVED: Council agreed to asking Mrs Edwards to be the Auditor for year ending 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020.

v) Review asset register for audit

RESOLVED: Council agreed to the register with one addition.

290.08 Chorley consultation on Council Tax Support

Circulated to members 24 December and attached

RESOLVED: Council agreed to the suggested CTS charge.

290.09 Bus Stop in front of School, Chancery Road

Consider the information from LCC about the bus stop changes and submit a response.

Council discussed this subject at length. Councillors will try to get a photo when there are three buses trying to park in the bay, with buses sticking out in the road, parked cars and children going into the road to get on/off buses.

RESOLVED: Council requested that the LCC do not change the bus stop.

290.10 Central Lancashire Local Plan review

Issues and Options consultation document circulated to Cllrs on 15/11/19 and MOU&SoC consultation circulated to Cllrs on 06/12/19. Councillors will be attending the drop-in session at the community centre.

290.11 Spring Newsletter

Spring newsletter will be delivered late May/early June and suggested articles are: Front area changes, LDF, Friends of, annual report, budget, Westway update, SPID.

290.12 Environment Reports

RF proposal for repairing the knee rail for the front area, opposite the shops – Council accepted the principle of the quote and job for knee rail repair, new section and replacement of posts with a new section on school side (this would need permission). RF will obtain two more quotations. Clerk get CBC confirmation from LL – this will be on the next agenda for confirmation of costings/choice of contractor.

LL – state of the road entering the car park – Clerk will chase pot hole report to CBC.

CS – replacement trees on Chancery Road, LL will investigate replacement trees and circulate the costs/species to the Councillors for consideration.

KR – drainage grids at the rear of the shops, in the service area – flooding – Clerk will report and chase.

SC – litter from the shops and into the Great Meadow estate. LL has a contact at PfP about litter.

KR – skip day request but, we need advance notice of the day so we can advertise.

290.13 Reports from Parish Council representatives on Other Bodies

Neighbourhood meeting cancelled until after the new ward boundaries have been implemented after the May election.

Friends of Astley Park have received a grant for the path, culverts and steps project.

290.14 Matters for information

The Chairman declared the public meeting closed.

**Future meeting dates 7pm Wednesdays.** 2020 - 4 March, 13 May, 1 July, 2 September, 4 November.