**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL, ASTON CANTLOW ON 19th JANUARY 2023 AT 7.00 pm. No. 124**

1. **Present:**

Cllr. Nicholson,Chairman, Cllr Evans, Cllr Holmes, Cllr Peacey, Cllr Haycock, County Cllr. Kerridge and four members of the public.

**2. Apologies:**

 District Cllr. Forman.

**3. Declarations of interest in items on the agenda:**

 No declarations were received.

 **4. Public participation:**

 Ms. Edwards and Mr. Tyler were attending on behalf of Mrs Pasco to express her written concerns about planning application Nos. 23/0030/FUL and 23/0031/LBC Ardencroft, Newnham for a replacement single storey rear conservatory.

 The Chairman, with agreement of Cllrs., agreed to bring this item forward.

 Councillors acknowledged the neighbours’ objections to these and previous applications. However, the Parish Council can only consider the current applications and are not able to revisit applications that have been determined. On this occasion it was agreed to defer to the Conservation officer by the majority.

 **5. To approve the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 10th November 2022 and extraordinary Parish Council meeting held on 30th November 2022.**

The Minutes dated 10th November were approved and signed by Cllr. Holmes in the absence of the Chairman, and the minutes for 30th November were approved and signed by the Chairman.

**6. Community Speedwatch:**

Mrs. Flood and Mrs Walker were attending as they have an interest in this subject.

Mr. Stanley from County Highways provided two quotations for possible traffic calming in Little Alne, one in the region of £14,000

 for gateways and the other in the region of £1,200.00 for six bollards at each entrance to Little Alne.

 Cllr Kerridge suggested it would be a good idea to have a speed check carried out before proceeding any further and the Clerk was asked to make the necessary arrangements with County Highways.

**7. County & District Councillors reports**:

 There were no reports available.

**8.** **Planning matters:**

 Planning application Nos. 23/0030/FUL and 23/0031/LBC Ardencroft, Newnham were discussed in agenda item No. 5.

 Planning application No. 22/03628/VARY Ardencote Farm, Shelfield Green: Variation of condition 2 of planning permission 18/01821/FUL. Cllr. Evans proposed no objection, Cllr. Holmes seconded the proposal and it was agreed by all.

**9. Draft Precept:**

Cllr Evans recommended approximately half of the previous amount should be requested as the current funds are very healthy.

 As the new Councillors haven’t really had time to consider what funding may be required Cllrs Nicholson, Haycock, Holmes and Peacey recommended a request of £9,400.00 as in the past few years, no increase would be necessary.

 **10. Bank Mandate update:**

 The Clerk will arrange this after the elections.

 **11. Items not on the agenda raised by Councillors:**

Cllr Evans had reported damage to the B4089 via the Clerk

 and confirmed this has now been marked up for repair.

 He also requested the following be reported:

 - A satellite dish has been attached to the front of No. 30 Bearley

 - Road and this is not allowed on listed buildings.

 - Potholes at the Halt and the end of Chapel Lane.

 - The drains/gullys could do with cleansing.

 - Salters Lane is regularly flooded by Wharfdale House.

 County Cllr Kerridge offered to report this for us.

 **12. Other items of business for consideration at the next meeting:**

Request for a member of the Alcester Police Safer Neighbourhood

 Team to attend the next meeting with reference to crime in rural

 areas.

 To discuss preparation of newsletters/meeting reports for

 Publication. Cllr Holmes would consider taking this on with some

 assistance.

 **13. Date of next meeting:**

16th March 2023. Annual Parish Assembly followed by an ordinary

 Parish Council meeting.

 No further business, meeting closed at 7.45 pm