

**ALNE PARISH COUNCIL**

**MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD IN THE VILLAGE HALL,  
ALNE ON TUESDAY 11 DECEMBER 2018 AT 8.00PM**

**PRESENT:** Councillors: Dr Robert Brech (Chairman), David Walker, John Newton, David Willis.

**ALSO PRESENT:** None.

**18/51 APOLOGIES & DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

There were apologies from Cllr Gudrun Gaudian and the reason was accepted. Apologies were also received from County Councillor Sowray.

**18/52 MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 17 OCTOBER 2018**

Minutes previously circulated and these were accepted and signed as a correct record.

**18/53 CLERK'S REPORT AND MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES**

- a. The Chairman presented the attached report. This was agreed.
- b. The new entrance signs to Alne Station had been installed and several positive comments had been received.
- c. Cllr Walker was progressing with the emergency plan.
- d. The bridge fence repair had been done by NYCC Highways.
- e. The Give Way sign at Alne Cross had been cleaned and the foliage removed.
- f. The hedge at Alne Cross had been examined by NYCC Highways and was deemed safe.
- g. The HDC Villages Forum had taken place on 6 December 2018.
- h. No update had been received regarding the change of use issue.

**18/54 PLANNING APPLICATIONS CONSIDERED**

Please find attached to these minutes.

**18/55 HAMBLETON DC - PLANNING DECISIONS AND APPEALS**

Please find attached to these minutes

**18/56 STANDING ORDERS**

The new NALC standing orders were adopted with appropriate amendments by Council.

**18/57 PARISH MAGAZINE**

It was agreed to support the Parish Magazine with a contribution of £50 for the year..

**18/58 FINANCIAL MATTERS**

- a. The receipts and payment, actuals vs. budget and bank balances were noted.
- b. The attached payments were agreed.
- c. The new electronic banking mandate had been submitted to the Unity Trust Bank.
- d. The budget for 2019/20 was agreed.
- e. It was agreed to keep the 2019/20 precept the same as 2018/19 at £19,000.

**18/59 CORRESPONDENCE**

Approved ..... Chairman

A list of correspondence since the last meeting was noted and is attached.

**18/60      REPORTS FROM COUNCILLORS**

- a. County Councillor Sowray was not present.
- b. District Councillor Knapton reported that the green bin subscriptions were still increasing. The arrangements of the Local Enterprise Partnerships would be changing, and this was of concern as the District Council had enjoyed millions of pounds of investment into projects over the last few years including the new prison site development. The new bin routes were now working well, and most teething issues had been sorted.
- c. Councillor Newton reported that the Community Payback team would be visiting on Wednesday and would be carrying out work on the footways. A request had been made to put hardcore on a section of the Back Lane, however as this was private land the landowner would need to do this.

**18/61      MATTERS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT AGENDA**

- a. Memorial in the village for the RAF Linton-on-Ouse base.
- b. Proposed path through churchyard to Primary School.

**18/62      DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

The next full council meeting will be held on Tuesday 12 February 2019 at 8pm.

The meeting closed at 9.17pm.

## Correspondence

26/10/2018	Alne PCC	Request for magazine grant
26/10/2018	North Yorkshire County Council	Highways
01/11/2018	Clerks & Councils Direct	Magazine
26/11/2018	Hambleton DC	Easingwold & Villages Forum
03/12/2018	United Kingdom Debt Management Office	PWLB

## Payments

11/12/2018	Nigel Knapton	Salary & Expenses	£649.52
11/12/2018	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE	£153.68
11/12/2018	APLA	Grant	£1,320.00
11/12/2018	Croft Castings	Signs	£639.00
11/12/2018	Dr R Brech	Expenses	£259.90
11/12/2018	Alne Parochial Church Council	Magazine	£50.00

Approved ..... Chairman

## Restoring the Alne Verges – update 10-Dec-2018

David Willis and I had a constructive meeting with Highways (NYCC Highways Manager Jayne Charlton and NYCC Councillor Peter Sowray) this morning.

They were keen that we paid the total of the outstanding invoice, £54,011 + the vat element of £10,802.20. They apologised for telling us originally (and erroneously) that we didn't have to pay VAT. But we can claim the VAT back which they can't.

From their side, they were keen to finish the works including the footways and driveways as laid out in the agreed table dated 13-Jul-2018. They had a plan which would complete this in the summer of 2019.

The proposed way forward is as follows:

1. Alne Parish Council claim the £10,802.20 VAT back on the invoice that we have already received.
2. Highways and Alne Parish Council agree in writing on the following schedule of works to take place in the summer of 2019:
  - (a) All the footways will be repaired and resurfaced the full length of Main Street from the Village Hall to include Drinsey Nook on the north side and Pond Farm on the south side.
  - (b) Along this same length, all the existing made-up driveways to be resurfaced, from the back edge of the new setts (or existing limits where setts do not exist) to the resurfaced footways.
  - (c) The six driveways that are not currently fully made up or are seriously dilapidated will be made up and resurfaced from the back edge of the new setts to the resurfaced footways.
  - (d) The dropped kerbs in Mitchell Lane will be installed.
  - (e) The row of setts outside Ouseburn House will be repaired once the new owners are in situ.
  - (f) The pavement down Church Wind will be repaired and resurfaced.
  - (g) Any associated drainage or contingency works will be for NYCC to do.
3. Following receipt of:
  - (a) a formal confirmation from NYCC that all the above works will be carried out;
  - (b) the confirmed Programme Date for these works from Highways in the New Year;Alne Parish Council will pay the outstanding invoice for £54,011 + VAT in full.
4. Alne Parish Council will make a further contribution of £3,247.80 + VAT for the work under 2(c) above and Alne Parish Council will take responsibility for obtaining the relevant contributions from the relevant owners. This amount will be held in retention, and not be payable to NYCC until all the works in section (2) above are complete.
5. NYCC Highways confirmed it was their intention to surface-dress the length of Main Street road carriageway during the summer of 2019.

Approved ..... Chairman

6. Alne Parish Council were concerned that once the full payment had been made against the current invoice, there was no stick or carrot for NYCC to carry out the works. Jayne Charlton and NYCC Councillor Peter Sowray confirmed that the works order has already been raised and that that the above schedule of works can be published on the Alne Village website. The works will not be affected by any budget cuts or changes in councillors, with Councillor Sowray committing personally to oversee the timely completion of all the agreed works.
  
7. Alne Parish Council expressed their appreciation of the support of Councillor Sowray in providing £5,000 from his locality budget to enable the Church Wind work to be included in the above programme.

Robert Brech, Chairman, Alne Parish Council

Approved ..... Chairman