

Minutes of Alfreton Town Council

Full Council 16th February 2021, 7pm. Held via Zoom.

**Present**

Chair: Councillor S Marshall-Clarke

Councillors: H Jowett-Frost, M Kerry, D Taylor, A Richardson, C Robinson, B Slade, J Walker, S Walker, K Wood

Staff: D Holmes, T Crookes & V Johnstone

Others: None

# **MEETING OF ALFRETON TOWN COUNCIL**

# **ORDER OF BUSINESS**

## 16/21 To receive apologies for absence

Apologies were received and accepted from:

Councillor M Bennett (Personal)

C O’Brien (Personal)

G Dolman (Personal)

L Hunt-Slade (Personal)

J Gdula (Personal)

## 17/21 To receive any declarations of interest from Members

Declarations were received and accepted from

**Councillor J Walker**

## 28/21 To ratify Planning Applications

Disclosable Pecuniary Interest

To leave the meeting

## 18/21 Recording and Filming of Council and Committee Meetings

The right to record, film and to broadcast meetings of the council and committees is established following the Local Government Audit and Accountability Act 2014.

## 19/21 Public Participation

There were none

## 20/21 To consider any items which should be taken in exclusion of the press and public

There were none

## 21/21 To hear from a representative of Derbyshire Police should one be available

No officers were available

## 22/21 To read and consider the Minutes of the Meeting of Alfreton Town Council held on Tuesday 19th January 2021 copies have been circulated to each Member with the summons to attend the meeting; the Minutes may be taken as read.

**RESOLVED**

The minutes were read

## 23/21 After consideration to approve the signature of the Meeting Minutes of Tuesday 19th January 2021 by the person presiding as a correct record

**RESOLVED**

The minutes were approved as a correct record

## 24/21 To dispose of business, if any, remaining from the last meeting

There is none

## 25/21 To receive and consider reports and minutes of committees

1. **Events Committee 26.01.2021**

Members and officers were congratulated on their ideas and sharing of information and a full programme of events for 2021/22

**RESOLVED**

That the recommendation included were approved

1. That where possible future events are organised in cooperation with community groups to increase coverage and overall success. Working together creates a stronger community.

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| 1. Events for 2021/22 (Budget £7500.00)  |  |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | --- | | **February** | LGBT and | share posts on social media/visuals at Alfreton House | No budget identified | | **March** | Marie - Curie Daffodil appeal | As above | No budget identified | | **4th April 2021** | Easter Picture competition | Posters | £100.00 | | **May/June** | Lockdown Project Displays | local exhibitions in shop windows | No budget yet identified | | **5th July 2021** | NHS Day | Street parties  Raise awareness | £300.00 | | **August** | Scarecrow Festival | Competition | £100.00 | | **Sept** | Party in the Town/Park | Work with existing committee | No budget yet identified | |  | Litter picking | Events/groups/estates | No budget yet identified | | **End November** | Christmas Event |  | £6000.00 | |

1. Lockdown Project Displays

To engage with resident and progress forward. Consider vacant and occupied shop windows for display.

Work with resident to develop idea with regards to safe places to display work

1. **Christmas Lights Committee 01.02.2021**

**RESOLVED**

That the details included were noted

A further report is being heard at item

26/21f To receive a report on Christmas Lights contract

## 26/21 To receive and consider additional agenda items in the order in which they have been notified.

1. To consider free parking on Rodgers Lane Car Park

**RESOLVED**

* 1. That Officers request a meeting with the Cabinet Member for Regeneration of AVBC to resolve concerns surrounding signage and usage of other car parks along with usage of Institute Lane (Market Rights)
  2. The Council support this proposal with an updated detailed report to a future meeting, once the pandemic has subsided

1. To consider proposed traffic regulation order Alfreton & waiting restrictions order

**RESOLVED**

1. That the proposals are supported with the request to consider the addition of areas by the schools Christ the King and Flowery Leys (double yellow lines)
2. To consider the Amber Valley Borough Council Employment Land Review

**RESOLVED**

1. That the Officers in consultation with the Chair and Vice Chair of planning provide a response to the request taking into consideration the planning comments of recent applications
2. To consider a Grant application from Alfreton Cricket Club £2,000

**RESOLVED**

The Town Council recognise the difficulties that local clubs have suffered during the pandemic and the importance of supporting physical activities when the pandemic has been eased.

1. That the Town Council award a grant of £2,000.00 to the Cricket Club
2. That the Cricket Club confirm the location of existing equipment
3. To receive a report on tenant occupancy at Alfreton House

**RESOLVED**

1. That the Town Council notes the indication of the Tenant of Rooms 10 & 11 to end their licence on 31.10.2021
2. That the Lead and Support Members of Properties have delegation in conjunction with an Officer to advertise Rooms 10 & 11 at an agreed cost initially through Social Media and local press/adverts
3. To receive a report on Christmas Lights contract

**RESOLVED**

1. That the Town Council apply caution to the value of the contract and given Financial Regulations 11.1d the Financial Regulations are waived in these circumstances due to the Coronavirus Pandemic, Government Guidelines in force and difficult circumstances which would surround the issuing of a contract at this time.
2. That the contract with City is extended from expiring in 2020 with a new 4-year deal at a cost of £20,000.00 per annum to Christmas 2024/25.
3. That 28 new lights are purchased to upgrade Nottingham Road and King Street (See notes of meeting 01.02.2021) at a cost of £7,597.00 from the 2021/22 budget.
4. That a cross street display is purchased for Central Road at a cost of £500.00 from the 2021/22 budget.
5. That the outstanding charges for 2020/21 display of £500.00 from the 2020/21 budget are settled
6. That the identified remedial works and refurbishments (See notes of meeting 01.02.2021) at a cost of £3,000.00, split £2,500.00 from 20/21 budget and the equivalent of £500.00 from buy back of lights are completed
7. That the offer of £500.00 for the buyback of the 28 old lights (circa 8 years old) which are to be replaced is accepted
8. That at the end of the next contract term the Public Contracts Regulations 2015 process shall be implemented or whatever regulation applies at that time

The following details were noted:

Total commitment from 20/21 budget is £3,000 (£32,500 budget).

Total commitment from 21/22 budget is £28,097 to City (£33,500 budget).

Total commitment from each of the 22/23 to 24/25 budgets is £20,000 per annum.

## 12/21 To authorise the signing of orders for payment

**RESOLVED**

That payments were approved for

January £27,471.75

That the Wooley Moor invoice is noted and approved for payment

## 27/21 To receive reports from Members who may have attended Outside Bodies meetings

**Derbyshire Unemployed Workers (DUWC)** – That DUWC details are shared on social media to raise awareness of services

**Councillor J Walker left the meeting**

## 28/21 To ratify Planning Applications:

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| Ref: | **AVA/2020/1224** |
| Address: | Hall Farm, Church Street, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 7AH, |
| Proposal: | Proposed development of a photovoltaic solar park and associated infrastructure |
| Date Valid: | 22/Dec/2020 |
| Decision Expected: | 9/Mar/2021 |
| Decision Issued: |  |

**RESOLVED**

**Unanimously agreed**

1. Provide a representation to AVBC in line with the attached draft representation
2. That an Officer in consultation with the Chair and Deputy of Planning amend the letter and approve a response taking into consideration any new information which may be available following Kronos’ second consultation (11.02.21) and this meeting

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| Ref: | **AVA/2020/1159** |
| Address: | Your Move Estate Agents, 2 King Street, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 7AG, |
| Proposal: | Change of use of first and second floors to 4 apartments, demolish rear extension and covered canopy with new entrance door to rear |
| Date Valid: | 7/Jan/2021 |
| Decision Expected: | 25/Feb/2021  **RESOLVED**   1. That comments reflect the concerns for the recent HSBC application regarding parking and building works in that area. 2. That advise is sought on the appropriateness of the HSBC to let signage |
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| Ref: | **AVA/2021/0012** |
| Address: | Your Move Estate Agents, 2 King Street, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 7AG, |
| Proposal: | Listed Building Consent for the change of use of first and second floors to 4 apartments, demolition of lean to, add new canopy and entrance doorway to rear. |
| Date Valid: | 7/Jan/2021 |
| Decision Expected: | 25/Feb/2021 |
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| Ref: | | [**AVA/2021/0038**](https://www.ambervalley.gov.uk/planapps?refval=AVA-2021-0038) | |
| Address: | | 2 Hardy Street, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 7ED, | |
| Proposal: | | Proposed Loft conversion rear dormer | |
| Date Valid: | | 15/Jan/2021 | |
| Decision Expected: | | 5/Mar/2021 | |
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**Ref: TPO442 / 2020** – Tree Preservation Order Elm tree at Southend Allotments, Alfreton.

**Planning Application decisions**

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| Decision Date - 15/Jan/2021 | | |
| Ref: | [AVA/2020/1100](https://www.ambervalley.gov.uk/planapps?refval=AVA-2020-1100) | |
| Address: | Plough Inn, 20 Nottingham Road, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 7HL, | |
| Proposal: | Change of use of ground floor store to dining room and first floor accommodation to House in Multiple Occupation. Proposed ground floor link with flat roof. | |
| Date Registered: | 24/Nov/2020 | |
| Applicant: | Mr M Singh  Plough Inn, 20 Nottingham Road, Alfreton, DE55 7HL, | |
| Agent: | Mr Chris Froggatt  Architectural Building Design Services, P.O. Box 7291, Alfreton, DE55 9BA, United Kingdom | |
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| Decision: | PERMITTED | |
| Parish: | Alfreton   Ward:  Alfreton   Officer:  Mark Penford | |
| |  |  | | --- | --- | | Decision Date - 5/Jan/2021 | | | Ref: | [AVA/2020/1109](https://www.ambervalley.gov.uk/planapps?refval=AVA-2020-1109) | | Address: | 21 The Green, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 7FT, | | Proposal: | Engineering operation to amend the existing pedestrian access with ramps and steps | | Date Registered: | 30/Nov/2020 | | Applicant: | Mrs J Green  21 The Green, Alfreton, DE55 7FT, | | Agent: | Mr John Thornewill  DCC, Chatsworth Hall, Chesterfield Road, Matlock, DE4 3FW, | |  |  | | Decision: | PERMITTED | | Parish: | Alfreton   Ward:  Alfreton   Officer:  Claire McLoughlin | |  | | | Decision Date - 8/Jan/2021 | | | Ref: | [AVA/2020/1071](https://www.ambervalley.gov.uk/planapps?refval=AVA-2020-1071) | | Address: | 11 Charles Street, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 7EA, | | Proposal: | Erection of outbuilding within domestic curtilage for the use of a personal training business to be accessed via the private track to the rear of the property connecting to Limes Avenue and alteration to land levels and erection of a 2 metre high gate to the side of the building. | | Date Registered: | 13/Nov/2020 | | Applicant: | Mr Daniel Payandeh  11 Charles Street, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 7EA, | | Agent: |  | |  |  | | Decision: | PERMITTED | | Parish: | Alfreton   Ward:  Alfreton   Officer:  Laura Anthony | |  | | | Decision Date - 18/Jan/2021 | | | Ref: | [AVA/2020/1074](https://www.ambervalley.gov.uk/planapps?refval=AVA-2020-1074) | | Address: | THE FRUIT SHOP, 3 Chapel Walk, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 7BJ, | | Proposal: | Change of use to dog groomers | | Date Registered: | 27/Nov/2020 | | Applicant: | Ms Jenifer Stuart  The Fruit Shop, 3 Chapel Walk, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 7BJ, | | Agent: |  | |  |  | | Decision: | PERMITTED | | Parish: | Alfreton   Ward:  Alfreton   Officer:  Anne Arkle | |  | | | Decision Date - 28/Jan/2021 | | | Ref: | [TRE/2021/0892](https://www.ambervalley.gov.uk/planapps?refval=TRE-2021-0892) | | Address: | 29 Aumonier Way, Alfreton, Derbyshire, DE55 7QQ, | | Proposal: | We have sent an email to Ground Solutions who look after the estates communal areas. We have sent photos as the tree has lots of dead branches and it's getting closer to the house and blocks sunlight to the back garden. Tree species is Oak. Ground Solutions have said they will be lifting the crown of the tree with a 4 metre distance, sever any Ivy, and remove any dead wood. Ground Solutions have planted a number of saplings along the boundary at the back of our garden. | | Date Registered: |  | | Applicant: | Mr Stephen Williams  29 , Aumonier Way, Alfreton, DE55 7QQ, | | Agent: |  | |  |  | | Decision: | Application Returned | | Parish: | Alfreton   Ward:  Alfreton   Officer:  Peter White | |  | | | | | |
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## This item was taken before item 28/21 To ratify Planning Applications

## 29/21 To review and approve the following policies:

Financial Regulations

**RESOLVED**

That the highlighted changes are accepted and approved

## 30/21 To consider 4 topics for communication

Free parking commitment

DCC traffic regulations

Grant

Promote Christmas Lights renewal King Street/Nottingham Road

Accommodation at Alfreton House

Members heard from the joint Town Clerk regarding an update on the Community Hub and noted a future detailed report

**Item 28/21 To ratify Planning Applications was taken at this point**