

**Minutes of Annesley & Felley Parish Council meeting held on 8<sup>th</sup> January 2024 at the Annesley Parish Hall commencing at 7.00pm.**

**Present:** Cllr's S Bishop, A Blazewicz-Bell, R Blazewicz-Bell, D Martin, K Stanley, J Robinson one member of the Public, Caretakers T Thomas and J Saint and Clerk J Barlow were in attendance.

As an election was not called to fill the Parish Councillor vacancy for the Annesley Ward, the Parish Council can now co-opt to fill the vacancy.

The meeting was chaired by Cllr S Bishop.

**1 Chair's Opening Remarks:**

1.0 The Chair welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**2 Apologies for Absence:** Cllr's A Wortley, A Meakin, C Huskinson and J Bell.

**3 Declarations of Personal & Prejudicial Interest:** Cllr's R Blazewicz-Bell, A Blazewicz-Bell, S Bishop and J Robinson declared an interest in item 17.2 due to them residing within the Parish.

**4 To accept the minutes of the meetings held on 4<sup>th</sup> December 2023:** Minutes were accepted as a true record of the meeting and signed by the Chair of the meeting.

**5 Matters Arising:**

5.1 50five specialise in the installation of Electric Vehicle chargers and have offered to supply/install, free of charge, EV charging points. It was now agreed that an on-site meeting should be arranged with the supplier.

**6 Public Questions:**

6.1 None

**7 ADC Report:**

7.1 None

**8 NCC Report:**

8.1 None

**9 Updates from Working Party Leads:**

- 9.1 a) Newsletter is to be produced and distributed by the end of March 2024
- b) Wildlife and Green Spaces - Meeting has recently been held with a NCC footpaths officer.

**10 Members Items:**

- 10.1 Cllr A Blazewicz-Bell confirmed that a community litter pick will take place on Sunday 21<sup>st</sup> January 2024 commencing at 10.00am, meeting at Stewart Way.
- 10.2 The ADC proposed Local Plan was discussed and it was agreed that the Parish Council would raise concerns relating to increased traffic congestion and increased pollution levels. It was also agreed that further discussions with Oxalis Planning will be arranged to discuss the industrial developments around junction 27.

**11 Cemetery:**

11.1 None

**12 Parish Hall:**

12.1 Hall bookings were reviewed and agreed.

**13 Parish Plan Review:**

- 13.1 New Parish Plan - relevant updates on progress will be discussed and reported at the Parish Council meeting.
- 13.2 The new Parish Plan was agreed/approved and responsibilities assigned. The Parish Plan will now be updated and distributed to all Parish Councillors.

**14 Report on External Meetings:**

14.1 None

**15 Planning Applications:**

15.1 V/2023/0691 - 8<sup>th</sup> December 2023 - J.T. Timber Supplies, Cross Road, Annesley, NG15 0AH - Residential development for 8 dwellings. The Parish Council submitted an objection on 31<sup>st</sup> December 2023 due to concerns over Highway safety and potential contaminated land issues.

**16 Correspondence requiring attention:**

16.1 All relevant correspondence had been circulated to all Parish Councillors before the meeting.

**17 Finance Statement and accounts for payment:**

The Clerk presented the monthly financial statements.

17.1 Payments approved were as follows:

<u>Date</u>	<u>Payee</u>	<u>Pay type</u>	<u>Value</u>	<u>Description</u>
08-Jan-24	Boiler Room Digital	DD	40.00	Web site maintenance
20-Jan-24	Ashfield District Council	DD	42.00	Cemetery Business rates
05-Dec-23	BW Fire Engineering	BACS	178.80	Annual inspection - fire equipment
12-Dec-23	Eurooffice Ltd	DC	239.35	Janitorial/cleaning consumables
13-Dec-23	Reuben Shaw & Sons Ltd	BACS	79.99	Xmas tree
18-Dec-23	Eliza Annie	BACS	81.80	Xmas party catering
18-Dec-23	Tesco Stores Ltd	DC	26.00	Postage stamps
21-Dec-23	Sam Turner & Sons	DC	82.38	Spare batteries - cordless pruner
01-Jan-24	Clarkes Cemetery Services	BACS	1,050.00	Contract work
01-Jan-24	J Saint	BACS	421.27	Salary
01-Jan-24	PD Thomas	BACS	859.53	Salary
01-Jan-24	J Barlow	BACS	1,297.83	Salary & Admin costs
11-Jan-24	Waterplus Ltd	DD	31.01	Hall water charges
07-Feb-24	HMRC	BACS	474.46	National Insurance & PAYE
	<b>Total January</b>		<b>£4,904.42</b>	

17.2 It was unanimously agreed that the 2024/25 Precept rate would increase by 3.0% to £109.52 (Band D property). The final approved 2024/25 Budget resulted in a break even position. The Precept rate of £109.53 and Net Tax base of 570.6 will now be confirmed to ADC and the Precept for 2024/25 of £62,500 requested.

**18 Statutory Compliance Checks:**

18.1 Children’s Play Area and Skate Park - the Caretaker confirmed that a visual check had been completed.

18.2 Parish Hall - the Caretaker confirmed that all statutory compliance checks had been completed.

The meeting closed at 8.50pm.

The next meeting will be held on Monday 5<sup>th</sup> February 2024 commencing at 7.00pm.

Signed.....Chair of Meeting

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