

AUDLEM PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 4TH APRIL 2005

Present: Cllr M Hill (Chairman), Cllr Furber, Cllr B Consterdine, Cllr N Huntbach, Cllr G Stretch, Cllr A Smith, Cllr P Huntbach, Cllr Mrs I Stockton, Cllr Mrs F M Christie

In attendance: Mrs J White, Parish Clerk

Also present: Insp Chris Brierly, Sgt Adam Morton (Cheshire Constabulary), Borough Councillor Mrs R Bailey, Mr J Gillies & Mrs G Gillies (residents)

PUBLIC FORUM

Insp Brierly and Sgt Morton advised on future policing arrangements and answered Councillors' questions about recent incidents. The Chairman thanked the officers for attending the meeting. Two residents expressed concern at proposals contained in planning application P04/0275.

4.207 APOLOGIES – Received from Cllr K Jones and Cllr Mrs K Down. A letter of resignation had been received from Cllr Bennion.

4.208 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS – Cllr Smith declared a prejudicial interest in Agenda item 4.214 P05/0275 and took no part in discussions relating to that item.

4.209 25 YEARS' SERVICE TO THE COMMUNITY – CLLR BILL CONSTERDINE

At the Chairman's request, Cllr Consterdine temporarily retired from the room.

Resolved: that Cllr Consterdine's dedication and commitment to the community be formally recognized by the presentation of a commemorative item at the next meeting, and that Audlem Parish Council adopt this manner of recognising long service as policy for the future.

Cllr Consterdine then re-joined the meeting and was offered the Parish Council's congratulations and thanks on behalf of residents.

4.210 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 7TH MARCH 2005

Resolved: that the minutes of the meeting be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

4.211 VILLAGE POLICING

See notes on Public Forum above.

4.212 MATTERS FOR REPORT

The Chairman reported that the village rubbish collection day would be reverting to Tuesday in the near future.

4.213 FINANCIAL MATTERS213.1 Authorisation of payments:

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| J White (expenses March) | £5.76 |
| Citizen's Advice Bureau | £250.00 |
| G Davies (w/c 7th – 28th February) | £154.88 |
| JMB Computing | £21.13 |
| Cheshire Community Council | £26.00 |

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| Audlem Saints FC (Min 4.138.1 refers) | £250.00 |
| Audlem Youth Club (Min 4.138.1 refers) | £500.00 |
| Mahood Marquees for ASET (Min 4.138.1 refers) | £1186.75 |

Resolved: that the above accounts be approved for payment.

213.2 Reprinting of "Audlem Parish Paths" map

Resolved: that Delmar Press Ltd be invited to supply 3,000 maps at a cost of £670.00.

213.3 Audlem Scout & Guide Hall

No further information to hand. Deferred to next meeting.

4.214 PLANNING & DEVELOPMENT

Resolved:

(1) that no representations be made in respect of:

P05/0313 First floor rear extension (resubmission P04/1107) at Sunnyside Cottage, Longhill Lane; P05/0308 2 Storey rear extension (resubmission P04/1072) at Sunnyside, Longhill Lane; P05/0332 2 Storey side extension etc at Little Heath Cottage, Corbrook; P05/0198 Extension to car park and electricity sub station at Corbrook Court Nursing Home (amended plans)

(2) that the Parish Council object to the development proposed in P05/0275 Extension & 1 new dwelling in garden area at 44 Stafford Street for the following reasons: (a) there is insufficient space on the site for an additional dwelling, therefore over domination and loss of amenity for the owners of the neighbouring property would result; (b) the proposed dwelling would be aesthetically inappropriate in a conservation area; (c) there would be an adverse impact upon highway safety with additional vehicles accessing the site in a hazardous area subject to an experimental traffic control scheme. There is no objection to proposals for a 2 storey side extension to the existing house.

Other items were noted.

4.215 PARISH AFFAIRS

215.1 Proposed creation of alcohol-free zone in village

The Chairman reported on informal discussions which had taken place. It had been concluded that such a scheme would not be practicable.

215.2 Fire at Beaman's – Discussed with Police Officers during the Public Forum.

215.3 Proposal for bike stands

Resolved: that competitive quotations be invited in accordance with the Parish Council's Financial Regulations.

215.4 Addition of name to War Memorial

Resolved: that competitive quotations be invited in accordance with the Parish Council's Financial Regulations.

4.216 VE/VJ DAY ANNIVERSARY 2005 – Next meeting on 12th April.

4.217 PARISH PLAN

The Chairman reported that completed questionnaires were being returned and described proposals for planting bulbs and shrubs along the canal banks.

4.218 AUDLEM BURIAL COMMITTEE

In view of Cllr Bennion's resignation, it was –

Resolved: Parish Council representation on the Burial Committee be decided at the May meeting.

4.219 AUDLEM PUBLIC HALL

Cllr Stretch reported that the Centenary Valentine's Ball had raised £1,444 and a recent table top sale £146. A Temporary Event Licence was being sought under the new licensing laws as a trial. Negotiations with Scotpower were taking place regarding an outstanding power bill and following an inspection of the kitchen by Environmental Health a replacement floor was required.

4.220 COMMONS & GREENS COMMITTEE - No report.

4.221 CCC CONSULTATION ON NEW LOCAL TRANSPORT PLAN

To be circulated. The Chairman agreed to respond before 29th April on behalf of the Parish Council.

4.222 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED – Noted.

4.223 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

The lanyard on the flagpole at St James' Church required replacing.

Resolved: that Cllrs Consterdine and N Huntbach be authorised to replace the lanyard on behalf of the Parish Council.

Pot holes had appeared between Manor Farm and Laurel Farm, and outside Manor Farm.

A representative of disabled organizations had inspected facilities at St James' Church and had recommended ramps and a disabled parking bay outside the east gate.

The 30 mph sign on Whitchurch Road was not flashing, also the flashing sign on Woore Road by the Baptist Chapel was out of alignment.

4.224 ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE NEXT MEETING

No further items notified.

4.225 DATE OF ANNUAL PARISH MEETING AND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

Monday 9th May 2005 at St James's Primary School, Heathfield Road, Audlem, commencing at 7.30 pm.

The meeting closed at 9.33 pm.

_____ Chairman _____ Date