

## AUDLEM PARISH COUNCIL

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING**  
**HELD ON MONDAY 3RD OCTOBER 2005**

**Present:** Cllr R Furber (Chair)                      Cllr Mrs K Down (Vice Chair)                      Cllr M Hill  
 Cllr Mrs F M Christie                      Cllr B Consterdine                      Cllr N Huntbach  
 Cllr P Huntbach                      Cllr K Jones                      Cllr Mrs P Seddon  
 Cllr A Smith                      Cllr G Stretch                      Cllr Mrs I Stockton

**In attendance:**              Mrs J White, Parish Clerk

**Also present:**              Market Drayton Advertiser

PUBLIC FORUM - No members of the public present.

5.93 APOLOGIES – There were none.

5.94 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS  
 Cllr Hill declared an interest in P05/1020 (Moorsfield Avenue).

5.95 MINUTES OF MEETINGS  
 The minutes were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record of the meeting.

5.96 CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENT  
 The Chairman announced that Audlem had been successful in the county round of the 2005 Community Pride competition, having been placed first in the "Vital Village" and "Building Community Life" sections. Judges would again be visiting Audlem on 17th October and the Parish Council was hopeful of success in the regional round of the competition. Audlem would be represented at the Awards Luncheon for the Calor Village of the Year for England to be held at the Four Seasons Hotel, Park Lane on 6th December.

5.97 FINANCIAL MATTERS

97.1 Authorisation of payments:

J White – expenses (September)	£18.22
J White – Cartridge Concept (print cartridges)	£31.54
ChALC – seminar Cllrs Down & Seddon	£40.00
G Stretch – basketballs	£18.39
Section 137 RBL Poppy Appeal (ref Min 4.138.1)	£25.00
JMG Computing – web site design, installation of content management system, addition of photographs, PDF creation software	£250.00
JMG Computing – printing costs	£121.56
JMG Computing – preparation of presentation	£75.00
Graphic – production of banners advertising www.audlem.org	£35.00
Inglenook Fine Arts – framing of certificates (ref 5.96 above)	£20.00
G Davies – street cleaning (July & August)	£393.75

***Resolved: that the above accounts be approved for payment.***

Audlem Festival 2006

***Resolved: that the request be considered at the next meeting of the Finance working group.***

Purchase of camera equipment

It was agreed that this equipment would be very useful in helping combat antisocial behaviour and vandalism. A new resident had complained bitterly to Cllr Smith about disturbances late at night in The Square. Cllr Consterdine had received a written complaint (circulated) about parking in Shropshire Street. It was agreed that persistent contravention of parking restrictions should be brought to the attention of PC Ken Maples and the resident be advised to attend the next CAT meeting. Cllr Consterdine would discuss possible remedies with the Highways Maintenance Officer when he visited Audlem in the near future.

**Resolved (unanimously): that an order be placed with EPG forthwith for equipment to the value of £851 in accordance with their quotation dated 8th August.**

#### 5.98 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

98.1 P05/1020 Demolition of existing house and construction of 5 two storey houses and 3 bungalows @ Moorsfield Avenue

**Resolved: that the following comments be made: (a) the Parish Council is concerned at the height of the 2.5 storey houses, where the gable ends may over dominate neighbouring property; (b) the Parish Council suggests that the street lighting to be installed should match the rest of Audlem's lighting, i.e. petit jean column with 50 watt sock on top.**

98.2 P05/1182 Single storey garage extension with gable end (amendment to P05/0278) @ 46 Cheshire Street – No representations.

98.3 P05/1157 Two storey extension, new porch etc. @ 36 Salford – No representations.

98.4 Other Planning Notices

**Resolved: that the Planning Notices detailed in the agenda be received.**

#### 5.99 PARISH AFFAIRS

Construction works at School Lane

Cllr Hill reported on discussion with residents and CCC Highways officer.

**Resolved: that photographs be taken of the area, including The Green, and that Keenrick Nursing Homes Ltd be asked for a written assurance that damage caused to property and The Green during construction works will be made good; also that copies of correspondence to be sent to the School Lane residents involved and Jim Sparks of CCC Highways.**

#### 5.100 APPOINTMENT OF RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL OFFICER

The subcommittee reported satisfactory progress.

#### 5.101 RISK ASSESSMENT – ASSET INSPECTIONS – Deferred to next meeting.

#### 5.102 PARISH PLAN

Cllr Hill reported that production of the final version of the Parish Plan was on target.

Councillors were impressed with the draft document circulated and supported the action plans.

Cllr Mrs Seddon reported that the Editorial Group proposed to issue their first "Audlem News" in November and that at least one side of each edition would be reserved for Parish Council business and contact details.

**Resolved: that the Action Plan be endorsed.**

#### 5.103 AUDLEM BURIAL BOARD – No report. Next meeting during week commencing 9th October.

#### 5.104 AUDLEM PUBLIC HALL – Cllr Stretch reported that the Committee had applied for a grant of £1,000 for new chairs and was currently trying to clarify the regulations surrounding the installation of the new oil tank. A Barn Dance was being arranged for 12th November.

#### 5.105 COMMONS & GREENS COMMITTEE

**Resolved: (i) that Cllr Hill approach the present tenant to ascertain his willingness to enter into a new leasehold agreement on similar terms; (ii) that an advertisement be placed in The Market Drayton Advertiser in the event of a negative response.**

- 5.106 THE BOUNDARY COMMITTEE – REVIEW OF ELECTORAL ARRANGEMENTS: CREWE & NANTWICH BOROUGH COUNCIL - Noted.
- 5.107 NORTH SHROPSHIRE DISTRICT COUNCIL – DRAFT STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT – No comment.
- 5.108 SHROPSHIRE COUNTY COUNCIL – DRAFT STATEMENT OF COMMUNITY INVOLVEMENT  
No comment.
- 5.109 CAMPAIGN FOR SUSTAINABLE COMMUNITIES BILL  
***Resolved: that the Parish Council supports the concept of local sustainability as envisaged in the Sustainable Communities Bill and will take the measures suggested by the “Local Works” campaign.***
- 5.110 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED – Items noted, together with:  
SUCS – “Cuttings”  
CNBC – The Chairman and Councillors were invited to an event celebrating the partnership between CNBC & MMU.
- 5.111 COUNCILLORS' REPORTS  
The Chairman reported that changes to the bank account signatories would be finalized when the new RFO had been appointed. Also, he had received information from Cheshire Football Association about grants for changing rooms. Cllr Consterdine would investigate and report back.  
Cllr Consterdine reported on the recent Parish Conference when reorganization of medical services had been discussed. It was likely that the physiotherapy service currently based at Audlem would transfer to Wrenbury.  
Cllr N Huntbach reported that the new bike stands were being repaired following recent vandalism.  
Cllr M Hill was in the process of obtaining a price for a second basketball post, although loss of more car park space would be an issue. CNBC was likely to approve a Teen Shelter for Audlem in the near future, subject to the Parish Council agreeing to provide maintenance. Suggestions for discussion topics for the village web notice board were needed.  
Cllr Stretch reported that the Practice Manager at the Medical Centre had complained that the noise from basketballs was intrusive in the consulting rooms. In common with Cllr Smith he had received complaints about antisocial behaviour from a new resident. It was agreed that current levels of evening and weekend policing should be ascertained with a view to discussing improvements with Inspector Brierley.  
Cllr Smith reported that the middle interactive traffic sign in Stafford Street had been facing the wrong way for some time despite reports to Highways. He also reported that CCC were considering closure of Buerton School.
- 5.112 ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE NEXT MEETING  
Maintenance of proposed new Teen Shelter; Boundary Committee Review; Satellite notice boards.
- 5.113 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – MONDAY 7TH NOVEMBER 2005

The meeting closed at 9.02 pm.

\_\_\_\_\_ Chairman \_\_\_\_\_ Date