



AUSTREY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting Held at Austrey Village Hall
On Wednesday 14th November 2018 at 7.30pm

<u>Item</u>	<u>Actioned When & By Whom</u>
<p>1. PRESENT/APOLOGIES: Present: Tony Treadwell - chair (TT), Mick Beeson (MB) David Rowse (DR) and Pippa Smith (PS) & Parish Clerk Lynsey Treadwell (LT). Apologies received from Tristan Fraser, Sam Goldney and Debbie Jenkins and accepted by the council. 2 members of the public were in attendance.</p>	
<p>2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST: No declarations of interest.</p>	
<p>3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING, held on 10th October 2018 were approved by the council as a true record and signed by the chair.</p>	
<p>4. OPEN FORUM: Nothing arising</p>	
<p>5. DISCUSSIONS & UPDATES ON RECENT OR REGULAR ITEMS:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Christmas 2018: The village Christmas Tree has now been ordered & will be erected ahead of the Lights Night on 1st December. The school choir have confirmed their attendance & NWBC have agreed to the road closures which have been proposed. • HS2: Cllr Treadwell reported on the recent HS2 drop in session held by Craig Tracey. The latest consultation is addressing the difficulties & concerns that HS2 will bring, and comments need to be in by 21st December. The results of the recent questionnaire distributed earlier this year clearly illustrate that the two major concerns of residents are increased traffic first and noise pollution second. The PC worries about apathy & so discussed ways of getting the message across about the implications of HS2 on the village. Several ideas were mentioned & the PC will try and implement some of these ideas asap. • Playing Fields: Bonfire Night was a success and the weather was favourable. The committee will give us a detailed report once they have collated the information & ticket sales. *MB proposed a spend of £60 to spend on signage for the car park, to avoid vehicles blocking the entrance. TT seconded this, and all voted in favour, so MB is to order the signs. *The PC are meeting with representatives of HS2 on 28th November to discuss the viability of them buying the playing fields from the village so that we can get on with planning a replacement. • Village Maintenance: The 4 new grit bins have arrived & the PC is liaising with WCC about their placement plus filling them ahead of the winter weather. *The village planters have been replanted for winter, so many thanks to Jane & Gorgon for doing a wonderful job once again. *Members of the Community Payback Scheme has cleared the pavement from Newton Lane to the playing fields & have made a really good job of it. *The PC has been approached by a village who is interested in providing some village maintenance as part of his Duke of Edinburgh scheme. 	<p>MB asap</p>
<p>6. PLANNING APPLICATIONS: 3 new applications since the last meeting, as per the appendix.</p>	
<p>7. CORRESPONDENCE: as per the appendix</p>	
<p>8. FINANCIAL MATTERS: 4 payments made as per the appendix.</p>	

9. COUNCILLOR'S MATTERS & ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA: Austrey Archery Group have been in touch with DR about Tamworth FC invoicing them for a share of playing fields maintenance costs (mowing). The PC has again stressed that the group needs to liaise with Tamworth FC, not the Parish Council.
*PS asked for an update on improvements to the website. This has not been a council priority in the last couple months, but LT will progress this going into the New Year.
*It was thought that the PC should check the number of newsletters that are printed to ensure that there are enough to cover all of the recently developed housing in the village. LT to check.

10. NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING scheduled for 12th December 2018.

11. CLER'S ANNUAL PERFORMANCE REVIEW: This item was deferred to the next meeting due to the low number of councillors in attendance this evening.

Meeting closed at 8.35 pm

Chair
ClIr Tony Treadwell

Date

Lynsey Treadwell
Clerk to the Parish Council
28/11/2018