



AUSTREY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held at Austrey Village Hall on
Wednesday 12th July 2023 at 7.30pm

1 – Present: Tony Treadwell (TT), Tristan Fraser, vice-chair (TF), Sam Goldney (SG), Heather Swan (HSw), and parish clerk Lynsey Treadwell (LT).
3 members of the public were in attendance.

2 – Declarations of interest: Nothing arising

3 - Minutes: the minutes of the last Austrey Parish Council (APC) meeting which took place on 14th June 2023, were approved by the council as a true record as signed by the chair.

4 – Clerk’s Update: LT has received an email about a funding opportunity to replace the play equipment at the playing fields. To be completed over the summer.

5: Voting on applicants for the 3 current councillor vacancies: Two applicants were present at the meeting, both of whom have previously attended meetings and submitted an application. TF nominated Richard Nield and HS seconded this. SG nominated Neil Hayward, and this was seconded by TT. All members voted in agreement of both becoming councillors and welcomed them to Austrey Parish Council.

6: Open Forum: Nothing arising

7 - Discussions & updates on recent or regular items:

7.1: Church Clock: The scaffolding company have a list of requirements to satisfy their insurance company. This has been sent to the vicar for approval. Smiths of Derby are happy to liaise with the

7.2: Neighbourhood Plan: 44 responses to the NDP housing survey were received, which is considered a good response rate. The steering committee will need to apply for the next round of funding as soon as is open for applications.

7.3: Playing Fields: TF has reported that the grass at the fields is very dry. Regarding the drainage, we are still awaiting quotes. A new gate has been erected at the allotments to replace the one that was stolen last year.

*The summer fair is this Saturday at the playing fields. TF to ensure that the organisers clear the site of litter etc after the event.

7.4: Village Maintenance: TF & HS have cleared some public footpaths around the village along with a section opposite Cornfields.

8 – Planning: 2 applications since the last meeting.

9 - Correspondence: as per the Appendix.

10 – Financial & insurance matters: 6 payments as per the appendix.

11 – Councillors matters & items for the next agenda: SG would like to discuss the letter we've had from The Pensions Regulator as the clerk is now over the threshold to enrol.

*Richard Machin has requested a plastic wheelbarrow as his current one is too heavy for him to push. TF to source.

*TF would like to revisit replacing the bus shelter.

12 – Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday 13th September 2023.

Meeting closed at 8.07pm

Signed _____ Date _____

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