**ALRESFORD PARISH COUNCIL**

**Parish Council Meeting**

**Notice of meeting**

Meeting to be held in the Pavilion (main room), Ford Lane, Alresford at 7.30pm on Wednesday 6th of March 2024.

**Face coverings may be worn should attendees wish to do so. Hand sanitiser will be available.**

In accordance with the Local Government Act (LGA) 1972, Schedule 12, paragraphs 10 (2) (b) Councillors are hereby summoned to attend the **Parish Council** **Meeting** of Alresford Parish Council, by the clerk and proper officer for the purpose of transacting the following business:

**Agenda**

**03.24.043 Announcements -** Chairman to introduce.

**03.24.044 Apologies for Absence.**

**03.24.045 Minutes of the last monthly meeting:** To review and consider the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on the 7th of February 2024.

**03.24.046 Declarations of Interest.** Councillors present to declare pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests in agenda items.

**03.24.047 Public Forum** This council is committed to community engagement and welcomes members of the public to contribute in this part of the meeting. Time limit 3 mins per person. Item limited to 10 minutes.

**During the public forum:** Members of the public and guests can address the Council on matters presented on the publicised agenda. Council can only take decisions on agenda items. Matters raised that are not on the agenda can be carried forward for a response later. Any questions not presented to the council far enough in advance may be noted and responded to at another time.

**After the public forum:** Members of the public are asked to respect that this is a meeting to conduct council business and interruptions during the remainder of the meeting are not permitted.

* + 1. **Finance Matters.**

February 2024 Finance Report - Council to review and consider.

* + 1. **Essex County Council Minerals Local Plan Review Consultation**

Council to consider its’ formal response to the proposals put forward for new quarries in Alresford at Church Farm (A 67) and Lodge Farm (A71).

* + 1. **Essex County Council Minerals Local Plan Review**

Report from Minerals and Quarrying Sub-Committee. Council to consider options on the proposals received in the Essex County Council review for sites.

* + 1. **Hawthorn Trees x2 (Wivenhoe Road)** – It is proposed that council approve the pruning back of the trees. Council to discuss and decide.
    2. **Road Signs,** finger posting signs to the station and several other locations. Council resolves to consider a survey of signs, and instruct either cleaning, repair or replacement.
    3. **Council to discuss contribution to Alresford Fete Organising Group**

A: contribution to “Picnic in the Park”: It is proposed that £150 is donated to the Fete Group.

B: contribution to “Picnic in the Park”: Request for provision of wheeled refuse container x2 for the event, as provided by CSH to the Pavilion. Councillors to discuss and approve and decide. The clerk to seek illustrative costs.

* + 1. **Parish Councillor Co-Option:** notices posted, applications pending.

It is advised by the clerk that selection from applications received will be held in camera.

* + 1. **Update:** Playing Filed Toilet Block- Grant Received. Application for Cockaynes Quiet Lane, Progress report.
    2. **Pavilion Solar Panel Project.** Council to discuss funding streams in order to complete the project.
    3. **Marsh Farm Bus Stop Wivnhoe Road** update, and consideration of further action.
    4. **Street Name Plates:**

A: Council to consider approaching Tendring District Council to fit a street name plate for Wivenhoe Road, opposite the junction with Station Road.

B: Council to consider and decide refurbishment or replacement of Saint Andrews Close name plates.

C: Council to consider audit and survey of village street name plates, with a view to replacement/refurbishment.

* + 1. **Switch of Engine Posters:** Council to decide siting locations for approved posters in Coach Road.
    2. **Big Bag Challenge:** Council to discuss a community litter pick for later in March.
    3. **District Councillor’s report (Written Report)** and 5 min verbal report
    4. **Essex County Councillor Report (Written Report)** and 5 min verbal report
    5. **PCSO/Police Report**. Policing update and PCSO crime report.
    6. **Clerks Report.**
    7. **Meeting Ends**

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