

AUDLEY RURAL PARISH COUNCILMINUTES OF THE **COUNCIL MEETING** held in Audley Pensioners Hall 18th July at 7.00pm

Present: Chairman: Mr T Sproston
 Councillors: Mrs K Davison, Mr B Proctor, Mr P Breuer, Mr N Blackwood,
 Mr C Cooper, Mrs B Kinnersley, Mrs A Beech, Mr E Durber, Mrs C D
 Cornes, Mr D Cornes, Mrs V Pearson, Mr P Morgan
 Acting Clerk Mrs C Dillow
 members of the public were present

No.	Item	Action
1.	To receive apologies Apologies were received from: Mrs V Pearson	
2.	To consider approving and signing minutes of the Full Parish Council meeting on 20th June 2013 The minutes were approved and signed as a true and accurate record.	
3.	Declaration of Disclosable Pecuniary interest in any item on the agenda <i>(Note member should notify Monitoring officer within 28 days if not already)</i> Mr B Proctor declared an interest in item 5 of the agenda	
4.	Public Participation: 1 member of the public attended the meeting to speak to Councillor Mr A Wemyss regarding Halmerend / Alsager Bank area resurfacing in the financial year 2012/13 as it has not been done yet? Mr Wemyss was absent from the meeting so was unable to report on this, Mrs C D Cornes reported that it would be some months away yet.	
5.	Planning - To consider any planning applications received, including:- <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Application for approval of full and precise details of tree protection measures on site, as required by condition 09 of p/p 12/00659/FUL (Erection of a detached bungalow in the garden area of 209 High Street Halmerend (land to the rear of 205 and 207)) Land Adjacent 288 Heathcote Road Miles Green Stoke-On-Trent Staffordshire Ref. No: 12/00659/CN09 / Vill Env / Del • Application for approval of full and precise details of a landscaping plan shall be submitted, as required by condition 08 of p/p 12/00659/FUL (Erection of a detached bungalow in the garden area of 209 High Street Halmerend (land to the rear of 205 and 207)) Land Adjacent 288 Heathcote Road Miles Green Stoke-On-Trent Staffordshire Ref. No: 12/00659/CN08 / Vill Env / Del • Application for approval of a Remediation Statement as required by condition 12 of p/p 12/00659/FUL (Erection of a detached bungalow in the garden area of 209 High Street Halmerend (land to the rear of 205 and 207)) Land Adjacent 288 Heathcote Road Miles Green Stoke-On-Trent Staffordshire Ref. No: 12/00659/CN12 / Vill Env / Del • Application for approval of full and precise details of the proposed external facing and roofing materials and all areas of hardsurfacing within the site. the proposed means of boundary treatment, means of disposal of foul and surface water effluent, finished floor levels of the dwelling, as required by condition 03 of p/p 12/00659/FUL (Erection of a detached bungalow in the garden area of 209 High Street Halmerend (land to the rear of 205 and 207)) Land Adjacent 288 Heathcote Road Miles Green Stoke-On-Trent Staffordshire Ref. No: 12/00659/CN03 / Vill Env / Del • Application for the Implementation of Agreed Remediation Scheme as 	

[required by condition 13 of p/p 12/00659/FUL \(Erection of a detached bungalow in the garden area of 209 High Street Halmerend \(land to the rear of 205 and 207\)\)](#) Land Adjacent 288 Heathcote Road Miles Green Stoke-On-Trent Staffordshire Ref. No: 12/00659/CN13 / Vill Env / Del

- [Application for approval of site characterisation to assess the nature and extent of any contamination on the site as required by condition 11 of p/p 12/00659/FUL \(Erection of a detached bungalow in the garden area of 209 High Street Halmerend \(land to the rear of 205 and 207\)\)](#) Land Adjacent 288 Heathcote Road Miles Green Stoke-On-Trent Staffordshire Ref. No: 12/00659/CN11 / Vill Env / Del

Resolved to recommend approval of the above 6 applications as they form part of the original application previously supported by the council

- [Application for approval of site investigation and risk assessment as required by condition 5 of planning permission 11/00281/FUL for the erection of a dwelling, detached garage and new vehicular access to plot 1.](#) Woodhouse Farm Apedale Road Wood Lane Stoke On Trent Staffordshire ST7 8PH Ref. No:11/00281/3CN05 / Green belt / ??
- [Application for the implementation of the approved detailed remediation scheme as required by condition 7 of planning permission 11/00281/FUL for the erection of a dwelling, detached garage and new vehicular access to plot 1.](#) Woodhouse Farm Apedale Road Wood Lane Stoke On Trent Staffordshire ST7 8PH Ref. No: 11/00281/3CN07 / Green Belt / ??
- [Application for approval of a detailed remediation scheme as required by condition 6 of planning permission 11/00281/FUL for the erection of a dwelling, detached garage and new vehicular access to plot 1.](#) Woodhouse Farm Apedale Road Wood Lane Stoke On Trent Staffordshire ST7 8PH Ref. No: 11/00281/3CN06 / Green Belt / ??

Resolved to recommend approval of the above 3 applications as they form part of the original application previously supported by the council

- [Change of use of barn to residential use and formation of new accesses](#) Rye Hills Farm Rye Hills Newcastle Under Lyme Staffordshire ST7 8LP Ref. No: 13/00406/FUL / Green Belt / Del

Resolved to recommend approval of this application

- [First floor side extension](#) Malt Kiln Cottage Shraleay Brook Road Halmerend Stoke-On-Trent Staffordshire ST7 8DR Ref. No: 13/00077/FUL / Vill Env? / Del

Resolved to recommend approval of this application

- [Application for the approval of a noise management plan as required by condition 6 of planning permission ref 13/00104/COU for change of use from B2 industrial/B8 storage & distribution to indoor model car running arena.](#) Building North Of Tawney Cottage Barthomley Road Audley Newcastle Under Lyme Staffordshire Ref. No: 13/00104/CN06 / Green Belt / Del
- [Application for the approval of the details of the recyclable materials and refuse storage areas as required by condition 9 of planning permission ref 13/00104/COU for change of use from B2 industrial/B8 storage & distribution to indoor model car running arena.](#) Building North Of Tawney Cottage Barthomley Road Audley Newcastle Under Lyme Staffordshire Ref. No: 13/00104/CN09 / Green Belt / Del

- [Application for the approval of a noise limiting device as required by condition 7 of planning permission ref 13/00104/COU for change of use from B2 industrial/B8 storage & distribution to indoor model car running arena.](#) Building North Of Tawney Cottage Barthomley Road Audley Newcastle Under Lyme Staffordshire Ref. No: 13/00104/CN07 / Green Belt / Del

Resolved to recommend objection of the above 3 applications as they form part of the original application and the original comments made by the council still stand:

- Traffic concerns on a rural road (narrow 60mph)
- Greenbelt
- Inappropriate development
- Previously unsupported for use as an industrial unit
- [Formation of access serving the existing stable and fields](#) Ivy House Nantwich Road Audley Stoke On Trent Staffordshire ST7 8DW Ref. No: 13/00386/FUL / Green belt / Del

Resolved to recommend objection of this application for the following reasons:

- The road is narrow / Highways pinch point
- Greenbelt
- [Erection of two storey front extension](#) 58 Stephens Way Bignall End Stoke On Trent Staffordshire ST7 8NL Ref. No: 13/00365/FUL / Vill Env / Del

Resolved to recommend approval of this application

- [Erection of 3 town houses, formation of new accesses and car parking spaces](#) Land Adjoining 28 Albert Street Bignall End Newcastle Under Lyme Staffordshire ST7 8QB Ref. No: 13/00249/FUL / Vill Env / Del

Resolved to recommend objection of this application and the original comments made by the council still stand:

- Not cohesive to the area
- Overdevelopment
- Already chronic parking issues this would exacerbate the problem
- [Proposed detached dormer bungalow](#) Land Adjacent To 2 Watlands Road Bignall End Stoke-on-Trent Staffordshire ST7 8QQ Ref. No: 13/00182/FUL / Vill Env / Del

Resolved to recommend objection to this application for the following reasons:

- It will set precedent for gardens to be developed on an already over developed estate
- [Application to the Local Planning Authority for approval required by condition 08 relating to finished levels of planning permission for change of use of land to livery yard, agricultural building to stable block.](#)

formation of ménage and installation of lighting units. Old Peel Farm
Nantwich Road Audley Stoke On Trent Staffordshire ST7 8DY Ref. No:
13/00269/CN08 / Green Belt / ??

- Application to the Local Planning Authority for approval required by condition 05 relating to storage of jumps or similar features of planning permission for change of use of land to livery yard, agricultural building to stable block, formation of ménage and installation of lighting units. Old Peel Farm Nantwich Road Audley Stoke On Trent Staffordshire ST7 8DY Ref. No: 13/00269/CN05 / Green Belt / ??
- Application to the Local Planning Authority for approval required by condition 04 relating to storage and disposal of waste of planning permission for change of use of land to livery yard, agricultural building to stable block, formation of ménage and installation of lighting units. Old Peel Farm Nantwich Road Audley Stoke On Trent Staffordshire ST7 8DY Ref. No: 13/00269/CN04 / Green Belt / ??
- Application to the Local Planning Authority for approval required by condition 07 relating details of parking and turning areas of planning permission for change of use of land to livery yard, agricultural building to stable block, formation of ménage and installation of lighting units. Old Peel Farm Nantwich Road Audley Stoke On Trent Staffordshire ST7 8DY Ref. No: 13/00269/CN07 | / Green Belt / ??
- Application to the Local Planning Authority for approval required by condition 03 relating to surface materials of planning permission for change of use of land to livery yard, agricultural building to stable block, formation of ménage and installation of lighting units. Old Peel Farm Nantwich Road Audley Stoke On Trent Staffordshire ST7 8DY Ref. No: 13/00269/CN03 / Green Belt / ??

Resolved to recommend objection to the above 5 applications as they form part of the original application and the previous comments made by the council still stand:

- Change of use from agricultural land
 - Green belt
 - Light pollution
 - Saturation of ménages in the area
 - Highway safety issues, approached by 2 blind bends on a 60mph road
 - Drainage issues already present by junction causing flooding and ice which could be added to by the water that runs off / drainage of the ménage
 - Proposed conversion of barn to residential unit Parkfields Farm Park Lane Audley Stoke On Trent Staffordshire ST7 8HR Ref. No: 13/00469/FUL / Green Belt / Del
- No papers were received for this application
- Change of use of land from agricultural to use for keeping of horses and exercising horses including the erection of a ménage and stable. Beech Cottage Boon Hill Bignall End Staffordshire ST7 8LG Ref. No: 13/00447/FUL / Green Belt / Del

	<p>Resolved to recommend approval of this application</p> <p>The chairman pointed out that as the clerk retrieves the applications from the planning website and there are so many without papers or duplicated each month so therefore asked we put on the agenda only the applications that the clerk receives papers for, Members all agreed they are happy with this.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Audley Conservation area review – to receive update Mr Blackwood Nothing further to report 	
6.	<p>Allotments Association</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • New sphere of influence – Mr Proctor <p>Mr Proctor reported that further to a meeting of the allotment association they have joined forces and agreed to take on full responsibility of Audley allotments on a day to day, the parish council need to ratify they are all happy with the new arrangements. A vote was taken 13 in favour no against and no abstentions. Mrs C D Cornes asked that we write to the allotment association to agree the formal arrangement and we keep a paper trail. Resolved to send a letter stating that we accept what took place at the allotment meeting, list how we understand the arrangements and ask for confirmation in writing in return.</p>	BP Clerk
7.	<p>Comrade Shelter vandalism and closure – Mr Proctor</p> <p>Mr Proctor reported that youths had put superglue around the combination lock and pulled the support bars off the wall, it appears to have become a meeting place of vandals even though the council previously agreed to change the opening times. It is currently closed 24/7 and the lady who opens and closes has been abused when trying to close it, the police have been informed. Resolved the shelter is kept closed 24/7 to be reviewed every 3 months</p>	
8.	<p>Sentinal Letter – Mr Weymss</p> <p>Mr Weymss was absent from the meeting so unable to report Resolved to remove this item from the agenda</p>	
9.	<p>Weight restriction, Heavy Goods Vehicles, Chester Road, Audley – Mr Proctor</p> <p>Mr Proctor reported that a HGV vehicle has taken the corner of a residents wall on Chester Road, Satalite navigation is sending them up this road and it is not suitable. Mrs C D Cornes reported that there is signage at the bottom of Nantwich Rd / Alsager Rd. Mr proctor suggested a weight restriction sign is needed. Resolved Clerk to write to Staffordshire County Council to express concerns about the use of HGV's on Chester Road</p>	Clerk
10.	<p>Halmerend residents proposal for institute and sports facilities update – Mr Proctor</p> <p>Mr proctor reported that they are currently at a position where the County Council can produce a business plan and they are working with an advisor, they are being considered for a 3 year lease and may well look for assistance with funding. Mr Proctor will keep members updated.</p>	
11.	<p>Police / Parish / Residents meeting dates – Mr Proctor</p> <p>Mr proctor reported that the meetings are held on the 1st Wednesday of the month and have been going well. At the last meeting Owl were in attendance but the police didn't turn up, Rob Doleman was away but no substitute was sent.</p>	
12.	<p>To report delegated authority action taken:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To remove debris around notice board in Heathcroft Road to allow access • To repair broken post / bolt at Albert Street Play Area <p>The repairs were noted.</p>	
13.	<p>Community Chest 2013/14 (unspent balance £3720.00)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To consider application from Leddys Field Supporters Group <p>Resolved to not support the application and the application should be withdrawn as the request is on Parish Council owned land and Leddys Field supports group have not been approved to take over, Mrs Pearson to write a</p>	

	<p>letter and clerk to put Magarets Garden on the next agenda for discussion.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To consider application from Allotment Association <p>Resolved to support the application</p>	
14.	<p>Playing Fields/Wildlife Areas inc:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To note Play Area Monthly Inspection for June and approval of any action required or taken <p>The inspection for June was noted</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To note the latest position with regards to Fitness Trail Equipment site visit and installation commencement <p>The site visits have been carried out and installation of the equipment will take place on 27th and 28th of June.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> Access to Leddys field – Mrs D Cornes <p>Mrs C D Cornes reported that the path to Leddys Field is causing access problems for mobility scooters and they cant get through the gate. Mrs Pearson and Mr Proctor agreed that path is not safe you can get up but not down due to the surface, it really needs to be resurfaced, it is steep and safety barriers should be put in place. Resolved Mr Sproston will take a look at the path and report back to council.</p>	TS
15.	<p>To receive an update from Audley LAP – Mr Proctor</p> <p>Mrs Pearson reported that the lunch at the school was throughly enjoyed and a wishing tree has been placed on the seat by Margarets garden, lots of wishes have been put on the tree which will be discussed at the next LAP meeting.</p>	
16.	<p>Correspondence and circulars received for information only (see Appendix A)</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To review other items as listed for information and consider for next agenda <p>No Further action required.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To receive offer from Laura Harrison of UK Coal <p>The clerk reported that she had received an offer for members to do another site visit to a working surface mine if they felt it necessary. Resolved members do not feel another site visit is required.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> To receive Community, Council & Clerks Newsletter <p>The clerk tabled the newsletter for information</p>	
17.	<p>Clerks Update – See appendix B</p> <p>No further action required</p>	
18.	<p>Councillor Reports (for information only/further actions and decisions must be included on next agenda)</p> <p>Mr Sproston reported that the notice board at Alsagers Bank play area had been smashed.</p> <p>Mrs Davison reported that she along with, Mrs Pearson, Mr Sproston and Mr Proctor have met between meetings to have handover continuity from the old chair to new chair.</p> <p>Mr Proctor reported that 19 of the youths involved in the vandalism at the allotments have been interviewed as they are only 13 / 14 years of age and in line with government guidelines where they have no previous convictions it is advised that there is no criminal conviction instead they are given orders of restorative justice meaning they are taken to apologise and carry out works at the allotments / community centre, i.e removing graffiti / repairs inconjunction with the police / fire service youth offending team. There is one more meeting on 26th June at the Borough Council to discuss in more detail the plan with youths.</p>	

	<p>Mr Breuer reported that many of the drains taking away surface water are blocked on Wereton Rd, Alsagers Bank, Chester Rd and Queen St, Also he had spotted another car dealing drugs.</p> <p>Mr Blackwood reported that he had been on the visit to the garden party at Buckingham palace and it was a lovely day.</p> <p>Mrs C D Cornes reported that the time of the meeting was missing off the agenda and could his be put on for next time, also a couple of the Cllr's details needed adding back on to the website, the clerk reported that she was aware of this and would correct accordingly.</p>	
19.	<p>Administration</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Chairman to sign declaration of acceptance of office The declaration was signed by the Chairman and witnessed by the clerk • To complete bank forms for change of signatories The bank forms were completed and signed by the new Chairman and Vice Chair to add them as signatories to the account • Councillor Training Menu The clerk had spoken to SPCA and was advised the training menu for 2013/14 was currently being update, clerk to circulate when available • Staffordshire Wildlife Trust contribution (as per last agenda) – clerk to report The clerk reported that this item as per the last agenda was asking for an additional donation for the cause of badgers and was not the normal annual donation of the council as members Resolved to not make an additional donation at this time but to review the annual subscription amount when it is due. 	Clerk
20.	<p>Accounts</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To approve the Accounts for payment - Appendix C The accounts were approved for payment. • To receive the accounts for the year ended March 2013 and sign the annual return following internal audit The clerk reported that the internal audit report had been received and was satisfactory, the chairman signed the accounts & annual return, clerk to submit the annual return. 	Clerk
	To consider the following items on the agenda to be of a private nature that should be discussed at the exclusion of the Public and Press, under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 1 (2).	
21.	<p>Contractual issues</p> <p>Re-surfacing work at wood lane – Financing update, communication with Mr Chidlow</p> <p>The clerk reported that she had chased Mr Chidlow again but he had still not come back to the council with information about the funds available and Mr Proctor reported that he had received a number of complaints from unhappy residents. Resolved to add the item to the next agenda for discussion.</p>	

The Chairman then declared the meeting closed at 21.10pm