

MINUTES of Astley Village Parish Council held on Wednesday, 3 March 2010 at Astley Village Community Centre, Hallgate, Astley Village

Present Cllrs L Lennox (Chairman), R Crabtree, R Fraser, I Handley, J Nuttall,
K Robinson, D Slessor, J Thomas.

5 residents

219.01 Apologies - Cllrs I Hodgson, D Swards.

219.02 Declarations of Interest

219.03 Minutes of Meeting

RESOLVED: Minutes of 3 February 2010 were accepted as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

RESOLVED: Item 5 would be brought forward in the meeting order so residents can speak prior to item 4 planning.

219.05 Public Participation

RESOLVED: Council agreed to suspend standing orders.

Residents spoke regarding the Mobile Phone Antenna and informed the Council of their fears and objections which included the height, proximity to houses, damage to grass verges, health issues.

South Ribble Orienteering Club visited to inform the Council of the British Sprint Elite Championships 2010 taking place in Astley Village and Park. 400/500 competitors from all over UK and Europe. The event would be held on Sunday 18 April 2010.

RESOLVED: Council agreed to restore standing orders.

Councillors asked questions of the organiser regarding pedestrian safety, equipment, marshalls and volunteers, car parking etc.

RESOLVED: Item 7 would be brought forward in the meeting order.

219.07 Consultation: Chorley Town Centre & Astley Park Designated Public Place Order (DPPO)

RESOLVED: Council agreed to suspend standing orders.

A Chorley Council Officer attended to introduce item 7 on the agenda, Designated Public Place Order and answer questions.

RESOLVED: Council agreed to restore standing orders.

Councillors asked questions of the officer regarding the need for the order, the powers the Police presently have, their fear that innocent people may feel threatened by the order, what happens to the alcohol, could money be better spent, and, would people be displaced out of the Park and into Astley Village.

RESOLVED: Council accepted the good intention of the DPPO but wanted to express its worries over possible displacement, the fear people may feel a victim or threatened by the order, that it thought resources could be better placed in particular, into prevention methods.

219.04 Statutory Business

Planning

10/00122/TEL Land 5m North West Of 2 Studfold Chancery Road
Prior Notification for the erection of a 15m pole antenna and 2 associated ground base station equipment cabins (1.48m X 0.35m X 1.5m)

RESOLVED: Council objected to this application on the grounds that it was inappropriate height and location very near to houses, the application papers were misleading, possible damage to the grass verges, equipment may be a target for graffiti. Suggested alternatives were the Rugby Club, Westway and Euxton Lane/Westway roundabout - all where there are no properties.

10/00123/FUL 51 Deerfold

Erection of a two storey side extension to create additional living/garage space and a single storey rear extension to create an extended kitchen

RESOLVED: Council objected to this application as it appeared to be over development, reduced parking by the loss of space and new garage being an inadequate size, would be detrimental for their neighbour, would appear on the streetscene to give a terracing effect.

219.06 Finance

i) Consider applications for payment made to the Council.

RESOLVED: The following request(s) for payment were approved for payment.

£	354.27	Chorley Council	Uncontested election 29/10/09
£	307.00	Sprintprint	Newsletter printing March10
£	368.34	Employee 1	Salary for Mar 10
£	146.35	Employee 2	Salary for Mar 10
£	591.49	Employee 3	Salary for Mar 10
£	163.82	HM Revenue & Customs	Tax & NI Mar'10
£	67.71	D Platt	Reimbursements (Copies/Post/Miles etc)

ii) Approve the financial monitoring statement and receive an updated budget.

RESOLVED: Council received the statement and update.

219.08 Council Policies and Documents

i) Health and Safety Policy review

RESOLVED: Council accepted this reviewed policy.

ii) Councillor Contact Form

RESOLVED: Council agreed the form for use.

219.09 Environment Committee and Reports

Reports of: lamp post stump was still present behind the Baron's Rest, path from next to number 70 Great Meadow needed attention, bus stop between Broadfields and Great Meadow had graffiti on it.

219.10 Reports from Parish Councillors who represent the Parish Council on Other Bodies

Friends of Astley Park - Cllr Robinson reported the group was monitoring the sensory garden work. Two Balsam Bash dates were arranged for June and two dates for clearing the river.

Civic Society - Cllr Robinson reported the society was receiving nominations for awards, the website is being set up, work had begun on a new project for a plaque for trees on Southport Road to identify why they were there.

219.11 Matters for information

The Council had been contacted by the Community Centre with plans of a scheme for a play area outside the main windows and front door. It was noted that there would be a storage container put at the front and fencing would encircle the area encompassing the planted raised bed. The Council made comment regarding the

storage container being in a very prominent position and appearing from the pictures to be flimsy and felt it would attract vandalism, request to improve the planted bed, request the fencing is permanent and not a temporary material.

Astley In Bloom, the date suggested is 4 July 2010 and the suggestion was that the Council support it with a simple leaflet.

Junior Petunia, the Council did not have a budget for this. A request would be put to Places for People to see if they could assist with this project for the school.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the public meeting closed.

NEWSLETTER SCHEDULE

Distributed	Councillors deadline before: (copy posted out to you on this date)	Date goes to the printer (nothing accepted on/after this date)
1 st week June 10	End of 1 st week of May 2010	End of 2 nd week of May 2010
1 st week September 10	End of 1 st week of August 2010	End of 2 nd week of August 2010
1 st week December 10	End of 1 st week of November 2010	End of 2 nd week November 2010
1 st week March 11	End of 1 st week February 2011	End of 2 nd week February 2011