Nether Alderley Parish Council

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8th February 2024

Meeting Summons

Dear Councillors

I hereby give notice that the Parish Council Meeting will be held on:

Tuesday 13th February 2024 1.30pm at The Glass House Alderley Park

All members of the Council are hereby summoned for the purpose of discussing and resolving upon the business to be transacted at the Meeting as set out hereunder.

David Naylor Clerk to Nether Alderley Parish Council

1. To receive apologies for absence.

2. To receive Declarations of Interests

- 2.1 To declare disclosable pecuniary interests (Councillors with disclosable pecuniary interest(s) must leave the room for the relevant items).
- 2.2 To declare interests conflicting with the Nolan principles/non-pecuniary interests.
- 2.3 To allow Councillors to consider amendments required to their Declaration of Pecuniary Interest forms.

3. To consider and approve Applications for Dispensations

4. To resolve to approve that the Minutes of the Nether Alderley Parish Council Meeting held on 9th January 2024 as a true and accurate record of the meeting,

5. 1.35 pm Public Presentation

To adjourn the meeting to receive representation from members of the Nether Alderley Parish.

6. To resume the meeting.

7. Neighbourhood Planning Progress

- 7.1 First two Draft Section of the Design Codes by AECOM and funded by locality are available. Link to the Aecom Sections 1 and 2
- 7.2 NAPC's Section 14 Consultation Responses The Clerk and Cllr. Gleave have been working on the amendments to the Draft Neighbourhood Plan to accommodate all the section 14 responses. A copy of the amended Plan is to follow. Cheshire East's Neighbourhood Planning Team will be sent a copy to confirm that it it meets their recommendation. <u>Section 14 Responses including Cheshire East's response.</u>

8. Parish Hall Renovation Progress

- 8.1 Bank Reconciliation, Reserves Balance, and Resources and Costs table for the Hall Renovation. Projections of income and spending include those expected in March. Renovation costs and resources now show a buffer of just under £47,000 to service cash flow, VAT Recovery, and unexpected costs, with a further £20,000 general reserve. This £47,000 buffer depends on whether the contract price remains the same. See 8.3 below. Enclosure 1 in the Documents Pack
- 8.2 Fund Raising Progress Update from Cllr Raphael on his Application to the Improved, Greener, Community Facilities UK England Rural Prosperity Fund.
- 8.3 Update on progress with the Heads of Terms and Faculty Application. The agreement between the PC and PCC has been sent to the Chester Dioceses Faculty with the request that they initiate the 30-day local consultation. Approval has been recommended to the Faculty Registrar and Chancellor by

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the Faculty meeting subject to the results of this local consultation. At the time of this Council summons the consultation has not yet been initiated and the Clerk will provide an update to the Council meeting.

A Zoom call was held with the Council's preferred supplier for the Hall's renovation works who has been requesting that we sign the Contract. However, we cannot do that until Faculty approval has been granted. The Contractor will contact the Clerk and Chairman on 26th February to discuss two things – the uplift in cost of the contract and the date when signing will take place. They have a 5-week lead-in period for their contractors to start work and the uplift will be based on costs on that date.

It is tempting to think that the Contract could be signed on or about the 26th February even though the consultation has not yet started and will not end before the 26th February but should be completed within the contractor's 5 week lead-in period.

However, this would be a risk to the Council. The Faculty conceivably refuse or postpone a decision until the land registration had been completed. This is most unlikely but if it was to happen, the Council would have a legal agreement with the contractor who could not start work and would then be able to seek damages from the Council.

This whole situation is potentially quite costly for the Parish Council and has resulted from second party delays in approving the agreement, compounded by their legal representative taking months in approving the agreement prepared by the Parish Council's solicitor.

The Clerk and Chairman will provide a further update to the meeting.

The Agreement sent to the Faculty is Enclosure 2 in the Documents Pack

9. Further Letter to EDF Energy concerning a catalogue of errors and delays in rectifying the Parish Hall's electricity meterage and accurate billing. This is self-explanatory.

Enclosure 3 in the Documents Pack

10. BHIB Parish Hall Insurance Quotation 2024/25

Policy Number: LCO02446 Current Premium 2023/24 £2,513.06. This new premium has been requested from BHIB including the potential for the Hall's closure for 24 weeks for the renovation. It will be reported to member when available.

11. Finance Schedule (Appendix A)

- 11.1To note receipt of income, as listed in schedule (A1)ProposedSeconded
- 11.2 **To approve items for payments as listed in schedule (A2)** Proposed Seconded
- 11.3To approve direct debit/standing order as listed in schedule (A3)ProposedSeconded
- 11.4 **To consider and approve the Clerk's expenses as listed in schedule (A4)** Proposed Seconded

12. Planning Applications

| Application No: | <u>23/4734M</u> |
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| Proposal: | Demolition of existing dwelling, stables & feed store and replacement with a new dwelling |
| Location: | Bradford House Cottage, Bradford Lane, Nether Alderley, SK10 4TR |
| Response Deadline | 14th February 2024 |

| Application No: | <u>24/0384T</u> |
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| Proposal: | Works To Trees In Conservation Area Willow (T1) Fell - Tree has two very large cavaties on the main stem, both holding a large degree of rot. Tree is in close proximity to the property. |
| Location: | Whitecroft, Whitebarn Road, Alderley Edge, SK9 7AN |
| Response Deadline | Not provided with Tree Application |

| Application No: | <u>24/0300M</u> |
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| Proposal: | Construction of new car port / storage building and solar panels |
| Location: | Meadowside, Welsh Row, Nether Alderley, Cheshire, SK10 4TY |
| Response Deadline | 28 th February 2024 |

| Application No: | <u>24/0428M</u> |
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| Proposal: | Construction of subterranean garages/outbuilding, associated engineering operations and landscaping |
| Location: | April House, Congleton Road, Alderley Edge, Cheshire, SK9 7AL |
| Response Deadline | 6 th March 2024 |

| Application No: | 24/0437M and Listed Building Consent 24/0438M | | | | |
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| Proposal: | Rake out and grout all mortar joints - external pointing - mortar and carefully replace with a homogenous non hydraulic lime mortar mix carefully matched to the original mortar in composition and appearance. Installation of stainless steel retro-fit wall ties. Replacement plasterboard and polyisocyanurate insulation. Localised installation of meshed cavity drain wall membranes. Replacement of wall ties. | | | | |
| Location: | 1 & 2 Waterloo Barn, Alderley Park, Congleton Road, Nether Alderley, SK10 4JW | | | | |
| Response Deadline | 7 th March 2024 | | | | |

The above were the only planning application published on CEC's Planning List 2405 (5th February) There may be other applications on the next planning List 2406 published on Monday 12th February and they will be added to the Agenda at the meeting.

13. To consider any other Planning matters including decisions to Planning Applications:

23/4474M Positive Decision 16th January 2024 Certificate of Lawful Proposed Use/ Dev Fern Cottage, Chelford Road, Nether Alderley, SK10 4RT

23/3744M Positive Decision

19-Jan-2024 Construction of single storey side and rear extension to existing dwelling. Whitebarn, Whitebarn Road, Alderley Edge, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 7AN

21/0596M Refused

16-Jan-2024 Variation of conditions 2, 4, 7, 8, 9 and 13 on application <u>19/1895M.</u> Land Adjacent to, The Pantiles, 40, Congleton Road, Alderley Edge

23/2160T Trees-part Refusal
23-Jan-2024
Works to Tpo Trees
19, Vale Crescent, Nether Alderley, SK10 4LU

14. Symphony Park - preparation for the Application being considered by CEC's Strategic Planning Board. Potentially 28th February 2024 Application <u>23/3619M</u> Resubmission of Application <u>22/2819M</u> See Minute 14 of the January Council Meeting.

15. Report from Cheshire East Ward Cllr. Anthony Harrison.

16. Councillor Reported Issues at the end of the January Meeting

- 16.1 Marketing Strategy for the Renovated Parish Hall Cllr. Gleave and Keith Farrell are prepared to help to develop this and David Fairbottom would also be asked.
- 16.2 Fund Raising for the Hall and other issues. Cllr Raphael raised the issue of sponsorship on our boundary signs – there would be 5 in total (an extra 3 on the two already provided) It would be possible to add a rectangular sign beneath advertise a prominent local business with their logo. Cllr Raphael also called into the Churchill Tree, and they would be willing to have a regular advert out in our parish newsletter.
- 16.3 Cllr. Farrel raised the issue that on 25th January at 6 7 pm a King's Award for Voluntary Service talk will be given to recognise individuals in local communities who should receive such an award or be invited to a Royal Garden Party. She will listen to the talk. She felt that we did not do enough to recognise such individuals.
- 16.4 The Clerk raised the issue of the need to develop a local emergency response plan. This would be below CEC's Plan and would assist in communication and secure the contacts of local people in the Community who could assist with help especially if CEC was overwhelmed by a large-scale incident which could delay local help from them. Enclosure 4 in the Documents Pack
- 16.5 CEC's Green Waste Charging Scheme

17. Councillor's reports and items for future agenda.

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Councillors may use this opportunity to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas (not for debate or decision making at this meeting).

18. To confirm the next Council meeting is:

Tuesday 12th March 2024 1.30 pm at The Glass House Alderley Park

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Schedule of Receipts and Payments

A1. Receipt of Income - Month of December

<u>Current Account</u> Nil Interest <u>Reserve Account</u> £33.15 Interest 31st January 2024 <u>Unity Trust Savings Account</u> Interest is quarterly – 31 December 2023 was £139.20 Interest

A2. Invoices for payment

| Ch. No. | Provider | Total Cost | Net of VAT | Service Provided | VAT | Power |
|-----------|------------------------------|---------------|---------------|---|---------|-------|
| 1724 | David Naylor Parish Clerk | £693.58 | £693.58 | Clerk's Salary and Expenses October for December Payment | £0.00 | Н |
| 1725 | HMRC | £418.30 | £418.30 | Tax/NI for October for December Payment | £0.00 | Н |
| 1726 | Parkinson Partnership | £840.00 | 700.00 | VAT Consultancy Parish Hall | £140.00 | F |
| 1727 | Surrey Hills Solicitors | £3,000.00 | £2,500.00 | Parish Hall Legal Services | £500.00 | F |
| 1728 | PCC St Mary's | £228.00 | £190.00 | Maintenance of Parish Hall Exit Road (Ladies Lane) 1/3 of cost of £570 plus VAT | £38.00 | F |
| 1733 | Print it | £191.80 | £191.80 | Winter Newsletter 2023 | £0.00 | Н |
| Duplicate | e Invoice Paid in O | ctober 23 Che | Inv 26174 | | | |
| 1729 | Print it | 2285.25 | £265.25 | Autumn Newsletter 2023 Inv 25412 | 20.00 | |
| 1730 | Geoff Beeby | £202.00 | £202.00 | Geoff Beeby Fitting of two Boundary Signs | £0.00 | Н |

| 1731 | Greensplash Designs Ltd | £85.00 | £85.00 | Renewal of SSL Website Certificate | £0.00 |) Н | |
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| 1732 | EDF Energy | £1200 | £1000 | EDF Energy 23 August 2023 7 th February 2024 | £200 | Н | |
| A3. <u>Direct I</u> | A3. Direct Debits/Standing Orders for approval | | | | | | |
| Provider | Total Cost | Net of VAT | Service Pro | ovided | VAT | Power | |
| See Email to EDF Agenda Item 12 & Above A3 Cheque 1732 | | Smart Meter not sending to EDF | EDF visited on 23 rd November to replace their electricity meter because it was not paging through Day, Night & Weekend tariff reading - only providing total KWh and a total cost. It was not fixed, and a third new meter is now required but still not yet fitted. | | | | |

A4. <u>Approval to forward to Payroll provider for inclusion in Payroll Report for</u> <u>Clerk's expenses/salary</u>: Power H

Travel 60 miles @ 45 pence per mile = £27.00 Phone Sim monthly £9.17 plus £1.83 VAT = £11.00 Rymans Lever Arch File and Dividers £7.07 plus £1.41 VAT = £8.48 Rymans Lever Arch File x 2 and Carry Folders £14.14 plus £2.83 VAT = £16.97 Cartridge Discount Ink Cartridges £16.81 plus £3.37 VAT = £20.18 Kitchen Works Alderley Park. Coffee at December Council Meeting £22.50 plus £4.50 VAT = £27.00 **Total Expenses** £96.69 plus £13.94 VAT = £110.63 Salary: Contracted 65 hours @ 14.95 per hour = £971.75 (Gross) Total Salary Gross = £971.75 **Total Gross** including expenses = £1082.38

Total Less Tax of £388.80 = £693.58 (including VAT of £13.94)

Signed.....

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Chairman of Meeting

Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer

| Parish Council Powers for Expenditure and Activity Note that the Parish Council has adopted the Power of Competence | | | | |
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| Audit [Audit Regulations 1996] | I | | | |
| Benches Power to provide and maintain roadside seats and shelters [Parish Councils Act 1957, s.1] | | | | |
| Burial Grounds, Cemeteries and Crematoria Power to acquire, provide and maintain [Open Spaces Act 1906, ss9 and 10] | | | | |
| Power to agree to maintain monuments and memorials Parish Councils and Burial Authorities (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1970, s.1 | | | | |
| Power to provide and maintain and Power to contribute towards expenses of cemeteries Local Government Act 1972, s.214 Local Authorities Cemeteries Order 1977 (no 204) C1 Memorials (16 (1) (a) and 16 2 (b)) | С | | | |
| Bus Shelters Power to provide and maintain shelters Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1953, s.4 Parish Councils Act 1957, s.1 | D | | | |
| Crime prevention Local Government and Rating Act 1997 s31, Crime and Disorder Act 2000 | Q | | | |
| Community Centres Power to provide and equip community buildings [Local Government Act 1972, s.133] | Е | | | |
| Power to provide buildings for clubs having athletic, social or educational objectives Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976 s.19 | F | | | |
| Power to provide a range of recreational facilities [Local Government (Misc Provisions) Act 1975 s19 | G | | | |
| General Administration/Running Costs Subsidiary powers of local authorities – to facilitate, or conducive or incidental to, the discharge of functions LGA 1972 s111 | s H | | | |
| Parish Hall – public meetings LGA 1972 s 142 " arrange for the delivery of lectures and addresses and the holding of discussions on such matters - provision of information etc relating to matters affecting local government s133 'Power to provide buildings for public meetings and assemblies or contribute towards the expenses of providing such buildings' LGA 1972 S111 | К | | | |
| Litter bins Provision of litter bins [Litter Act 1983, ss 5, 6] | L | | | |
| Neighbourhood Plans [Localism Act 2011 Sch 9] | | | | |
| Research and collection of information Power to carry out research [LGA 1972 S 141] | | | | |
| Parish Plans [LGA 1972 S 141] | | | | |
| Section 137 N Local Government Act 1972. Power of Local Authorities to incur expenditure for certain purposes not otherwise authorised. Power to do something that will benefit the community where there is no other specific power covering the action; Set at £8.12 per elector in 2019/20. Expenditure must be commensurate with the benefit | | | | |
| Websites Local Government Act 1972 s142 | Ρ | | | |

Life-saving appliances – Power to provide life-saving appliances (e.g. life belts, defibrillators) [Public Health Act 1936, s234]

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