



AUSTREY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of meeting held at Austrey Village Hall on
Wednesday 10th July 2024 at 7.30pm

1 – Present: Tony Treadwell (TT), Sam Goldney (SG), Heather Swan (HS), Neil Hayward (NH), Terry Webb (TW) and parish clerk Lynsey Treadwell (LT). Apologies received from Tristan Fraser (TF) and Richard Nield (RN). 1 member of the public attended.

2 – Declarations of interest: nothing arising.

3 – Minutes: the minutes of the last Austrey Parish Council (APC) meeting which took place on 12th June 2024, were approved by the council as a true record as signed by the chair.

4 – Open Forum: Nothing arising.

5 – Clerk's Update

5.1: LT participated in some social media training last week. We're confident that we are already adhering to most of the recommendations.

6 – Discussions & updates on recent or regular items:

6.1: Neighbourhood Plan: A lot of work has been going on behind the scenes and it is expected that it will go to consultation in the autumn. LT has been advised that the latest application for funding has been successful, and the grant will be awarded later this month. This will fund consultation and professional fees, and printing and publicity.

6.2: Playing fields: Nothing arising.

6.3: Upcoming events: There are several events taking place in the village in the coming months, all of which are widely advertised on social media. The pizza and quiz night is looking to be very popular - this is to raise funds for a remembrance event later in the year.

6.4: Village maintenance: The bank slip on Appleby Hill has still not been removed, several months after it happened and after several promises that it would be cleared. *We are still also awaiting white lines being painted on the junction of Norton Lane and Main Road. *SG reported potholes on the carriageway of Norton Lane/Hill which will be discussed with highways.

7a: New Planning Applications:

- **PAP/2024/0267** - 81, Main Road, Austrey - Raise roof to original footprint. Minor alterations to external. Objections have been sent to APC, and SG will object on the basis that the plans are not very clear and that no proper site

plan is included. Concerns were also raised over the possibility of the extension blocking out light for neighbouring properties.

- **PAP/2023/0029** - Land and buildings 25 metres south of Northwood House, Norton Hill, Austrey - Notification of Appeal. The PC thought that an objection had be lodged against this application when it was originally submitted, but there is no record of this on the application. TW is to state this when we object to the appeal, on the basis of it being.....
- **PAP/2024/0302** - Oak Tree House, 49, Main Road, Austrey, CV9 3EH - Retrospective application to relocate existing car port. APC have no objections to this application.
- **PAP/2024/0010** - Doug Stables, Orton Lane: APC lodged an objection on this application, and we have received a response to our comments, which we've been asked to reply to. TW is to respond stating that some of the information presented is incorrect, plus there is no street lighting, no pavement, and it's a single lane road used frequently by agricultural vehicles.
- APC would also like to object to the extension to the Mercia Park development, although it is over the county boundary in Leicestershire.

7b: Determined since the last meeting:

- **PAP/2023/0117** - Charity House, 89-91 Main Road - relating to public use of private swimming pool: Appeal dismissed
- **PAP/2024/0144** - Oak Tree House, 49 Main Road - erection of a carport (retrospective): Refused
- **PAP/2023/0478** - Mill House, Norton Hill - Demolition of two barns and retention and conversion of brick barn and new build to form residential dwelling: Granted

8 - Financial & insurance matters: 5 payments made or cheques raised since the last meeting:

- Austrey Village Hall - APC meetings - £75
- Austrey Village Hall - NDP meetings - £25
- Clerk's salary - July 2024
- HMRC PAYE - July 2024
- WALC - Social Media training (LT, SG & HS) - £126

9 – Councillors matters & items for the next agenda: Councillors would like to discuss the Mercia Park development and our Christmas event 2024.

10 – Next meeting scheduled for Wednesday 11th September 2024.

Meeting closed at 8.10pm

Signed _____ Date _____

Produced by Lynsey Treadwell July 2024