



# AUSTREY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of Meeting Held at Austrey Village Hall  
On Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> March 2018 at 7.30pm

<u>Item</u>	<u>Actioned When &amp; By Whom</u>
<p><b>1. PRESENT/APOLOGIES:</b> Present: Tony Treadwell - chair (TT), David Rowse (DR), Debbie Jenkins (DJ), Pippa Smith (PS) and Parish Clerk Lynsey Treadwell. 5 members of the public were in attendance. Apologies received from Tristan Fraser (TF) and Mick Beeson (MB) which were accepted by the council.</p>	
<p><b>2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST:</b> DR made a declaration as a member of the ARA.</p>	
<p><b>3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING,</b> held on 14<sup>th</sup> February 2018 were approved by the council as a true record and signed by the chair.</p>	
<p><b>4. NOMINATIONS &amp; VOTING ON CO-OPTING NEW MEMBERS OF THE COUNCIL:</b> No potential new members came forward.</p>	
<p><b>5. PRESENTATION BY HS2 ENGAGEMENT ADVISORS:</b> The advisers outlined where in the process we are and timescales for HS2. It is hoped that this will be the start of an ongoing engagement process with our and the wider community. Minimising the disruption was discussed, in terms of road closures, transport disruption etc. The aim is to mitigate local issues wherever possible, if they can't be resolved. Compensation is the final option. At this point, they can't say how long the disruptions to Austrey will be as the schedule of works has not been finalised. The advisers will re-visit us later in the year with more details about construction schedules. Construction is likely to start in 2025 &amp; it must be finished by 2031 ready for the next stages, such as testing of the line.</p>	
<p><b>6. OPEN FORUM:</b> Nothing arising</p>	
<p><b>7. DISCUSSIONS &amp; UPDATES ON RECENT OR REGULAR ITEMS:</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"><li>• <b>CCTV:</b> Several residents have enquired as to the viability of CCTV being installed around the village, given the recent spate of burglaries &amp; thefts. A local CCTV installation company attended the meeting &amp; answered some of the PC &amp; public's questions about maintenance &amp; ongoing costs, potential sites for the cameras, what they film &amp; how long the footage is stored. It was decided that the best way forward is to put an article on the website &amp; in the next newsletter advising residents that we are looking into this and asking for feedback.</li><li>• <b>HS2:</b> Nothing further to add.</li><li>• <b>Playing Fields:</b> On Friday, a rep from WCC will be visiting the fields to offer advice on the drainage issues. The Leader Grant application was not discussed as the 2 councillors putting forward the application were not at the meeting. *There was a flood at the pavilion during the recent cold/snow spell. The PC has had the plumbing repaired to prevent further damage but will be seeking a reimbursement from Tamworth FC as maintenance &amp; repairs forms part of their lease.</li><li>• <b>Village Maintenance:</b> A new direction sign has been ordered to replace the one broken on the Warton Lane/Newton Lane corner. *Newton Regis has had some new village gateway signs which the council agreed are very aesthetic &amp; look lovely as you approach the village. Austrey PC is still negotiating with Maplewell who previously offered to fund or contribute towards gateway signs &amp; new noticeboards for the village. *TT has had notification that some of the pavements along Bishop's Cleeve &amp; Main Road are to be repaired, but WCC can't yet commit to a date for the works.</li></ul>	

**8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS:** 2 new application since the last meeting, as per the appendix.

**9. CORRESPONDENCE:** as per the appendix

**10. FINANCIAL MATTERS:** 3 payments made as per the appendix.

**11. COUNCILLOR'S MATTERS & ITEMS FOR FUTURE AGENDA:** Clerk to add subcommittees to the next agenda so that they can be split between councillors.

**12. NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING** scheduled for 11<sup>th</sup> April 2018 and will include the Annual Parish Meeting.

**Meeting closed at 8.57 pm**

**Chair**  
**Cllr Tony Treadwell**

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**Date**

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**Lynsey Treadwell**  
**Clerk to the Parish Council**  
**23/03/2018**