



The Next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held in the Village Hall on Monday the 17th of March 2014 at 7.30pm

AGENDA

- 14.03.01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE.
- 14.03.02 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS IN ITEMS ON THE AGENDA.
- 14.03.03 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.
- 14.03.04 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT.
- 14.03.05 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING- JANUARY 2014.
- 14.03.06 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES AND ACTION POINTS.
- 14.03.07 REPORTS FROM MEETINGS:
 - a. **Police Cluster meeting**
 - b. Canals and Rivers Trust- Update.
- 14.03.08 PROGRESS ON A STRATEGIC VISION FOR THE COMMUNITY:
Community Plan.
- 14.03.09 WEBSITE UPDATE.
- 14.03.10 PARISH COMPACT- UPDATE.
- 14.03.11 INSURANCE RENEWAL.
- 14.03.12 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT.
- 14.03.13 BUDGET 2014-2015- Amended.
- 14.03.14 CORRESPONDENCE
- 14.03.15 ANY OTHER BUSINESS
(Note that whilst this Agenda item may be used to raise issues, substantive decisions can only be taken where business has been specified on the Agenda)



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON THE 17th of MARCH 2014.

Present: Cllrs D Wallis, K Bannon, L Bannon, J Stockdale, B. Charlesworth and L Hassall- Clerk.

14.03.01 Apologies for absence –

Apologies received from M Carss and C Challoner.

RESLOVED.

That apologies received are acceptable as a valid reason for absence under s.85 of the Local Government Act 1972.

14.03.02 Declaration of interest in items on the agenda – None.

14.03.03 Public participation- None present.

14.03.04 Borough councillor's report –

Cllr Jones reported on the following issues.

Housing- Cllr Jones asked the councillors to consider setting a number for new housing if appropriate. Including assessing the need for affordable housing, and impact on existing infrastructure. KB discussed the key themes from the plan, which included affordable housing and rural poverty, specifically isolation and access to services. The matter was discussed further.

Traffic calming- BC joined the meeting. Cllr Jones asked the council their opinions on permanent traffic light on the bridge, highlighting the potential problems, such as getting power to the area. The councillors discussed the matter including a recent traffic lights battery failure on Canal Bridge. LB stated that if lights were made permanent, where traffic would stop would need careful consideration to allow residents to access their properties. This matter was discussed.

Home Park- Cllr Jones discussed speed limits in this area at the turn off to Paradise Lane, which is 60mph. The councillors discussed the matter, including signs. DW told the meeting that in a meeting with John Dwyer he advised that the speed limits are within the power of the borough council as the decision maker. Cllr Jones provided examples of other areas dealing with similar community issues, and stated that the police will dictate the speed limits and can only be changed with police support. Cllr Jones stated that if the parish council were to consider more housing over 14, then there has to be an affordable element of 30%, which can include key worker or policeperson under s.106 of the Town and Country Planning Act 1990, to help mitigate the impact. LB asked if one of the element is a requirement to live, work or play with a specific area on a specific building. Cllr Jones stated this could apply to rented property. Cllr Jones asked about the need for this type of housing. KB highlighted the issues. Cllr Jones advised that the parish council would have to survey the community.

LB asked for clarity on the road sign speed issue. Cllr Jones confirmed that signs can be put up, such as '20 is plenty', but the police cannot enforce without agreement. LB asked Cllr Jones to direct the residents of Home Park to the Parish Councillors so that councillors have more involvement and information on the issues they are experiencing. Cllr Jones agreed to do this.

HS2- Cllr Jones advised that at present HS2 is not agreed, but there is a possibility that the West coast line by the Verdin Arms will be higher to gain speed.

Geothermic energy- Cheshire East are continuing to work on this and will be announced soon.

Local plan-The local plan has been passed and Cllr Jones discussed the five year housing supply for the area.

14.03.05 Minutes of the last meeting- JANUARY 2014

Minutes prepared by: Lucy Hassall (Clerk)
April 2014

**RESOLVED**

That the minutes of the meetings held on the 27th of January be approved as a true record and be signed by the Chairman.

14.03.06 Matters arising from the minutes and action points.

Best kept village. The clerk presented correspondence received regarding this issue. The correspondence was passed to KB and the issue was discussed.

Litter picking. LB raised the issue of fly tipping.

RESOLVED

That LB will send a list of areas affected to the clerk, who will then contact Cheshire East to request clearance of waste.

Action points.

Heavy vehicles- JS asked about the heavy vehicles still coming through the village. The matter was discussed. Cllr Jones suggested writing to the company, asking them not to use the route.

VAT -The Clerk advised that the VAT return has been completed and sent, and that the next return is prepared and just awaiting final invoices for the year end.

14.03.07 Reports from meetings:

Police cluster meeting- No report, next meeting April.

Canals and rivers trust update. DW advised that he has received an email CRT, saying that they will be carrying out the works on the access on the 3rd, 4th and contingently 5th of April. The issue of adoption was discussed. CRT have asked for signs to be laminated detailing the dates to inform the public. LB will complete this and forward to DW. LB reported that the moored boat has been removed.

Village Hall. JS reported that the hall has broken even, with a small raise in income. However, they have lost a regular hirer. The issue was discussed including fund raising. JS reported that the committee are looking into a Lottery grant for a hub and replacement of the store room. The committee will look into a WREN grant for the works and work with the Vision group.

14.03.08 Progress on a strategic vision for the community.

Community plan. KB provided the members with the draft plan. The group plan to meet next week.

14.03.09 Website.

LB reported that local news has dropped in volume and the news on the canal works will be posted into the site. JS asked about mobile library dates on website. This will also be updated.

14.03.10 Parish compact update.

Clerk advised that the compact will now be administered through Streetscape for the amount of £1,150 which is subject to review and will be paid into the Parish account.

14.03.11 Insurance renewal.

Clerk advised that the renewal will be sent out at the end of May, and she has contact the provider who estimate the cost to be £144.56, the clerk asked members if they are happy to renew or prefer to research of the market.

RESOLVED

That the insurance renewal be accepted and a cheque raised at the next meeting.

14.01.15 Accounts for payment.**RESOLVED**

That the following accounts be authorised for payment.

<u>To</u>	<u>Item</u>	<u>Amount</u>	<u>Cheque no.</u>
Village Hall committee	Hall hire.	£25.96	569
L. Hassall	Salary, and additional.	£617.64	570

Bank statement for the current account was examined by members and signed by the Chairman.

Clerk advised members of bank fee for cancelled cheque no. 563 of £10.00



14.03.13 Budget calculation 2014-2015.

The budget was discussed.

RESOLVED

That the clerk will make some amendment and recirculate to members.

14.03.14 Correspondence.

The Clerk presented the following items of correspondence received since the last meeting.

- i. Cheshire East amended Core strategy- given to chair to circulate.
- ii. Insight request to donation- cheque no. 571 approved for £100
- iii. Electoral register letter- clerk will arrange collection of a paper copy.
- iv. Cheshire Community action membership renewal- cheque no.572 approved for £20

Action detailed above.

14.01.18 Any other business.

KB discussed with members the trail. Members agreed that this can be discussed in meetings with the vision group and members should walk the trail to better understand the planning involved.

KB reported on comments from members of the public in other areas, acknowledging the developments in the community and hard work of community members.

End of meeting.