

**CHURCH MINSHULL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 11 JULY 2023**

PRESENT:

Cllr Bob Schiller (Chair), Cllr Tim Boote, Cllr Brian Charlesworth, Cllr Jill Dobson, Cllr Nigel Lewis and Cllr Mark Smith

IN ATTENDANCE:

Borough Cllr Becky Posnett.

23/019 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Groos.

23/020 CO-OPTION

RESOLVED – that Jill Dobson be co-opted onto the Parish Council.

23/021 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None.

23/022 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 16 MAY 2023

RESOLVED – that the minutes of the meeting be approved as a true and correct record.

The Clerk confirmed that the Lengthsman could not support the pavement cleanse as this was outside his remit. Councillors were recommended to report such issues on the FixMyStreet portal as these were the responsibility of Cheshire East Council.

23/023 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Borough Cllr Becky Posnett provided an update on matters at Cheshire East Council which advised that she had been elected to the Children and Families Committee and Environment and Communities Committee.

Cheshire East Council was planning to introduce a charge for the green bin service, which would be discussed at the next Council meeting. There had also been a consultation regarding the reduction in library opening hours across the Council area. These two proposals were a result of the Council needing to reduce expenditure by £46M over four years.

With regards highways issues, the importance of reporting all issues on the Cheshire East FixMyStreet portal was emphasised. The Clerk was asked to invite Borough Cllr Browne to talk to the Parish Council about highways and related issues. Becky had invited the Flood Risk manager to visit Church Minshull to review the flooding issues.

Parish Councillors thanked Borough Cllr Posnett for her support in dealing with all of these longstanding problematic issues within the village.

23/024 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None present.

23/025 FLOODING AND RIVER POLLUTION

This had been dealt with as part of the Borough Councillor's report.

23/026 ROAD ISSUES

With regards to the need for the repainting of road markings, any defects should be reported on the FixMyStreet portal.

23/027 VILLAGE HALL REDEVELOPMENT

Cllr Boote advised that the next meeting to discuss the redevelopment was to be held the following day. Therefore, an update would be available following this. There was a discussion regarding the telephone exchange land but it was confirmed that this land would not be available.

23/028 PLANNING

No applications for consideration.

23/029 VILLAGE IMPROVEMENTS

1) Pavements

Councillors discussed the poor condition of some of the pavements in the village and the importance of reporting these issues to Cheshire East Council.

2) Defibrillator

Cllr Lewis confirmed that this was checked on a monthly basis.

23/030 CLIMATE CHANGE

This had been dealt with as part of the Borough Councillor's report.

23/031 FINANCE REPORT

1) Report

Councillors reviewed the Finance report which identified that there was currently £6,477 in the Council's bank accounts and the forecast outturn was £4,511.

2) Payments

RESOLVED – that the following payments be approved:

Payee	Reason	Total	VAT	Net
HMRC	PAYE Q1	290.00		290.00
Then Media	Website Hosting	784.80	130.80	654.00
Church Minshull Village Hall	Booking	30.00		30.00

23/032 COUNCILLORS' ITEMS

1) Tree Felling – Eachus Lane

Cllr Smith advised that he had not received an update from the Forestry Commission regarding the felling reported previously (Minute 22/077 refers).

23/033 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 12 September 2023