

CHURCH MINSHULL PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 19 SEPTEMBER 2023

PRESENT:

Cllr Bob Schiller (Chair), Cllr Tim Boote, Cllr Jill Dobson, Cllr Jacqui Groos and Cllr Nigel Lewis

IN ATTENDANCE:

Borough Cllr Becky Posnett.

23/034 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Smith.

23/035 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None

23/036 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 11 JULY 2023

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

23/037 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Borough Cllr Becky Posnett provided an update on matters at Cheshire East Council. It was noted that the green waste bin collection charge of £56 per year would be implemented in 2024. Cheshire East Council was undertaking an estates rationalisation exercise, aimed at reducing the number of Council owned buildings across the area.

A number of road repairs in Church Minshull had been completed including the jetting works. However, concern was once again expressed at the speed of vehicles and damage to roads caused by HGVs and the volume of traffic generally. It was suggested that most canal bridges had weight restrictions except for those in Church Minshull. Borough Cllr Posnett suggested that the Parish Council should contact the Police and Crime Commissioner and Canals and River Trust to discuss these issues further.

23/038 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

None present.

23/039 FLOODING AND RIVER POLLUTION

Borough Cllr Posnett was thanked for pushing for the jetting works recently undertaken in the village. It was noted that Flood Alleviation officers from Cheshire East Council would be undertaking a visit to the village to review the flooding issues.

23/040 ROAD ISSUES

There were still concerns regarding the speed and volume of vehicles travelling through the village. Councillors would review the provision of a Speed Indicator Device and encourage the provision of the Police Speed Van within the village.

23/041 VILLAGE HALL REDEVELOPMENT

Cllr Boote advised that sources of funding for the works were currently being considered.

23/042 PLANNING

Application	Proposal	Decision
23/3114N	Rear extension and roof alterations at ASHBROOK HOUSE, OVER ROAD, CHURCH MINSHULL No	No comments

23/043 VILLAGE IMPROVEMENTS

Cllr Lewis advised that he was trying to obtain the provision of handrails on the footpath towards the river.

23/044 CLIMATE CHANGE

Councillors would be interested to know what proposals Cheshire East Council had regarding climate change, in particular, the protection of wildlife in rural areas.

23/045 FINANCE REPORT

1) Report

Councillors reviewed the Finance report which identified that there was currently £9,132 in the Council's bank accounts and the forecast outturn was £4,521.

2) Payments

RESOLVED – that the following payments be approved:

Payee	Reason	Total	VAT	Net
HMRC	PAYE Q2	290.00		290.00
Peter Wilson	Lengthsman	550.00		550.00

23/046 CODE OF CONDUCT

RESOLVED – that the Parish Council adopts the revised Cheshire East Council Code of Conduct.

23/047 COUNCILLORS' ITEMS

1) Christmas Event

RESOLVED – that the Parish Council donates £150 towards the Village Christmas Event.

2) Temporary Road Closure

Concern was expressed at the disruption caused by the recent temporary road closure along Over Road. It was noted that Cheshire East Council could authorise immediate road closures in emergency cases and these would not have the usual notice.

23/048 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Tuesday, 21 November 2023

The meeting, which commenced at 7.30pm, concluded at 8.25pm.