

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF MINSHULL VERNON & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT ST PETER'S COMMUNITY HALL, MINSHULL VERNON, CREWE
ON 26 SEPTEMBER 2016**

PRESENT:	Councillor Les Horne	Chairman
	Councillor M McGlone	Vice-Chairman
	Councillor Linda Horne	Councillor D Kay
	Councillor B Palin	Councillor D Ridings
	Councillor J Cunningham	Councillor R Lee
	Councillor P Wright	Councillor D Street
	Councillor C Stringer	Councillor M Stanley
IN ATTENDANCE:	One member of the public	
APOLOGIES:	Councillor K Stringer	

73 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Members were invited to declare any disclosable pecuniary interest or non-pecuniary interest which they had in any item of business on the agenda, the nature of that interest, and in respect of disclosable interests, to leave the meeting prior to the discussion of that item.

None

74 MINUTES – MEETING HELD ON 22 AUGUST 2016

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 22 August 2016 be approved as a correct record subject to amendment. Councillor P Wright was present.

75 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

No speakers.

76 FINANCIAL MATTERS

76.1 AUTHORISATION OF PAYMENTS

RESOLVED: That the following payments be approved:

£29.40	HM Revenue & Customs – tax on Clerk's salary (Marilyn Houston August payment)
£91.60	HM Revenue & Customs – tax on Clerk's salary (Marilyn Houston September payment)
£484.99	Marilyn Houston, Clerk's Salary August and September
£10,572	ANSA – Play equipment and surfacing, James Atkinson Way (£8,810 net plus £1762 VAT)
£17.99	Cllr Les Horne – Reimbursement for purchase of batteries and memory cards for covert cameras.
£250.00	Bunbury Parish Council – The Chairman reported on negotiation with the Clerk's additional employer regarding this contribution to a computer and printer purchased by BPC used by the Clerk. Details of equipment to be recorded.
£240.00	BDO LLP – Audit Fee

76.2 Grant request from South Cheshire Concert Band

The Parish Council noted that this grant was previously requested and the band had been asked to look at a possible source of cheaper sheet music.

RESOLVED: To invite the representative of the band to attend the next meeting to answer questions on the application.

77 FLOOD ALLEVIATION SCHEME

A letter of complaint had gone from the Parish Council to the Chief Executive of Cheshire East in respect of the way in which the Cheshire East Highways team had dealt with the flood alleviation scheme at Bradfield Green. The former Clerk had been told that a reply would be received by the 26th August. No response was received. The former Clerk followed this up. An email was received from Paul Traynor apologising for the delay and reporting what was described as positive progress in resolving the matter. The PC noted that this was the position two and a half years ago.

RESOLVED: to refer this matter to the Local Government Ombudsman.

The Clerk will inform Mr Suarez of this decision and liaise with Councillor McGlone to obtain the necessary background information for the complaint.

78 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Parish Council was invited to comment on the following planning applications.

16/4268N Bentley Motors, Pym's Lane
Solar panels on car ports.

RESOLVED: That no objections be raised in respect of planning application No. 16/4268N.

16/4329N Land to the North of Dairy House Farm. Main Rd, Worleston
Development of 12 no. two bedroom two storey flats
Modification to existing 106 arrangement

RESOLVED: That the PC has no objections to the proposed modification

16/14295D Leighton Hall Farm, Middlewich Road, Leighton
Discharge of condition 17a on application

RESOLVED: That the PC has no objection to the discharge of condition

16/2373N Land at Flowers Lane, Leighton
Amended plans/details Outline for 400 dwellings

RESOLVED: Minshull Vernon & District Parish Council objects to this application. The former comments against the application still stand and in addition the Parish Council objects to:-

The removal of hedgerow and mature trees

Access roads, roundabouts and pedestrian crossing points raise safety issues

Promises were made to provide a new school, an allotment, a shop and play area but these are missing or not clear on amended plans

79 FACEBOOK PAGE/NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

A report from Councillor K Stringer was deferred to the next meeting.

80 ANNUAL REPORT – 2015-2016

The Annual Report for 2015-2016 has been finalised. As soon as the invoice is received and paid it will be printed and distributed.

81 POLICE MATTERS

There were no Police Officers in attendance; however, the Chairman reported that he had attended the Cluster Meeting and was not made aware of any incidents.

82 SPEED WATCH

Councillor Les Horne reported on speed watch activities. During speed watch on the A530 by the police a number of tickets have been handed out.

83 PARISH COUNCIL VACANCIES

83.1 Casual Vacancies

No response to the advertisement of nine casual vacancies. This item to be on the agenda only if any response has been received.

83.2 Recognition of Length of Service - former Councillor Beard

Details of retired Councillor Beard's service to local government and the community had been circulated.

Nominated by Councillor P Wright Seconded by Councillor Stuart Kay

Resolved: that former councillor Terry Beard be made an Honorary Freeman of the Parish.

The Chairman and Clerk will notify Terry and confirm his willingness to accept.

Another suggestion for conferring this honour was made. This needs to be put in writing.

84 REPORTS/SHARED INFORMATION

Members were able to share information which had not been available at the time of publication of the agenda or to report on attendance at meetings of outside bodies.

- Councillor M McGlone needs to liaise with the clerk to set up a new email address.
- Councillor Paul Wright asked about the Merlin Pub. The Chairman informed the meeting that the plans had been approved and the owners are aware of problems on the site and hope to open soon
- Councillor Les Horne reported on parking issues on Marshfield Industrial Estate. He tabled a plan from Highways for restrictive parking. They are going to monitor the industrial estate before placing restrictions on Coppenhall Lane. CEC Councillor David Brown has extended an invitation to Highways Q&A events throughout the Borough. The Chairman and Vice Chairman are interested. Councillors to let the Clerk know if they wish to book on Crewe on 18 October or Nantwich on 31 October. The surveillance camera needs to be put up by Councillor Stringer. There is a meeting arranged with Cheshire Connect regarding Broadband
- Councillor D Ridings had looked at the PACE website and suggested there were good things happening in the community that could be publicised on the Facebook. This to be on next month's agenda.

Part Two

Confidential matter. Press and public excluded from the meeting.

85 APPOINTMENT OF NEW CLERK

The Clerk's contract has been partially drafted and needs to be completed. The Clerk to email it to Councillor McGlone who will do that.

86 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

24 October 2016

The Chairman closed the meeting at 8.40pm.

.....Chairman