

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF MINSHULL VERNON & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT ST PETER'S COMMUNITY HALL, MINSHULL VERNON, CREWE
ON 20 NOVEMBER 2017**

PRESENT:

Councillor Les Horne	Chairman
Councillor M McGlone	Vice Chairman
Councillor Linda Horne	Councillor D Ridings
Councillor B Palin	Councillor C Stringer
Councillor K Stringer	Councillor J Weir
Councillor P Wright	Councillor R Lee

APOLOGIES: Councillor S Kay

ABSENT: Councillor D Street

89 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

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.

Councillor M McGlone declared an interest relating to Agenda item 18.2

90 MINUTES – of PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 23rd October 2017 be approved as a correct record. The Chairman signed a copy of the minutes as a record of such.

91 MEMBERSHIP and CLERK ISSUES

Cllr K Stringer, in the capacity of Clerk/ RFO had no specific items to discuss.

92 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no questions from members of the public.

93 FINANCIAL MATTERS

93.1 Accounts Management

The Clerk/ RFO presented a summary of the reconciled Reserve Account and an update of the Current Account status. - noted Chairman had been informed statements had gone bi-monthly and he was going to resolve this matter.

93.2 Online Banking

RESOLVED: That the Chairman initiate the procedure to online banking with Dual authorisation via individual online log on access remotely.

Proposed by Councillor C Stringer, **Seconded by** Councillor R Lee (unanimous decision)

93.3 Budget – to consider future projects 2018-2019

The Clerk/RFO presented a draft budget based on previous years requirement, projects which are currently in the pipeline and future projects the Parish Council are involved in discussions for fruition for the coming year. The Councillors adjusted figures within the draft. This is to be amended for the December meeting for further submission and final adjustments prior to submission.

Chairman left the room at the request of the Vice Chairman whilst the Chairman's Allowance was reviewed.

Councillor C Stringer suggested increased figure as per budget, Councillor D Ridings seconded unanimous decision.

Councillor D Ridings to approach schools to obtain reaction for a 1918 style party as near to 11th Nov 2018 as possible.

Suggested working group to set a firm budget and ascertain if we would include British Legion, determine which year groups of the school would be involved

93.4 Authorisation of Payments

£7.20 P Wright – Travel Expenses

£240.00 BDO – for the Annual Return Y/E 31/3/2017

£300.00 K Stringer – to reimburse SID Batteries from Sandbach Motor Factors

94 PLANNING MATTERS

94.1 Planning Applications

17/5543W RED HALL FARM, MIDDLEWICH ROAD, WOOLSTANWOOD

Importation of material to raise ground levels to enable improvement for agricultural use.

Response

No issues physically, concerns due to close proximity to the cottage and traffic lights.

Request wheel wash onsite

17/5770N 1 PENBROOK CLOSE – WOOLSTANWOOD

2 storey rear extension and small single storey side extension to dining area.

Response

Request more details on materials and dimensions

95 POLICE MATTERS

There were no PCSOs in attendance. The Chairman reported that PCSO Carol Ball has left, there are 2 temporary officers.

96 SPEED-WATCH

- Cllr Les Horne reported that he had recently undertaken speed enforcement activities with Cheshire Police.
- The new batteries are in place and all machines are operational.

97 ANNUAL REPORT – 2016/ 2017

The Annual report has been sent to print, subject to agreed costing of £584.00 as last year + 100 additional brochure costing.

98 VICTORIA DIAMOND JUBILEE MEMORIAL CROSS

98.1 There is a gravestone cleaner – Chairman Horne agreed to get a quote.

98.2 Councillor Wier had contact from previous contact – to liaise with Councillor Kay
Await update from Councillor Kay at a future meeting.
Councillor Kay also to update of Reasheath project idea.

98.3 planting of shrubs committee was not agreed – Spring Project.

99 MABLINS LANE COMMUNITY PROJECT

This project is pending – to be chased up and re-ignited.

100 EX-BT TELEPHONE KIOSK (Bradfield Green)

As previous update – to be followed up by Councillor C Stringer

101 BENCHES -Whalleys Green & Bradfield Green

The provision of benches at Bradfield Green and Whalleys Green was discussed, Preferred styles were identified.

Cllr C Stringer agreed to order these the Clerk will await Proforma Invoices for payment.

102 LEIGHTON BOUNDARY SIGNS

Members were invited to consider the procurement of new boundary signs for the Leighton parish.

Chairman to speak to Highways regarding this and update at next meeting.

103 BOUNDARY FENCES ON WAR MEMORIAL SITE- BRADFIELD GREEN

Chairman and Councillor McGlone have raised concerns over the aesthetics of the hedges which form the perimeter around part of the green. Though this is does not belong to the Parish Council and attempts have been made to repair such by the owners, It is felt that as it is the home of the Memorial site, it is indeed the Parish Councils duty to ensure the appearance from the roadside view is paramount. With this in mind it is proposed that we install a small post and rail plastic fence. Plastic has been suggested for longevity and low maintenance. It is felt that this will brighten up and enhance this area.

A simplistic 2ft high boundary fence.

Councillor D Ridings Agreed this was a good idea also.

Councillor McGlone is to obtain Costings for future meeting.

104 FLOWER POT AT WAR MEMORIAL SITE

It was agreed a letter should be composed to the person concerned.

105 USES OF PARISH FIELDS

105.1 Dog walking - Councillors decided against dogs for local residence and adjacent livestock, Stock fence would be used.

105.2 Smallholding – Councillor P Wright Proposed Councillor B Palin Seconded. Parish will save money on maintenance costs. The field will be in use, a rent of £10 p/w was proposed. A condition of no cockerel was suggested in consideration of neighbours. A condition that a positive response is received when the Chairman discusses with residents of all 3 bungalows is also a factor of award.

106 SHARED INFORMATION

Members were able to share information or report on attendance at recent meetings of outside bodies. The following issues were raised:

- Councillor B Palin noted the bus shelter is in need of a tidy at Whalleys Green and was told to contact Cheshire East./ Ansa.
- Councillor McGlone noted Fly tipping on Moss Lane – Chairman Horne and Councillor C Stringer to inspect Cameras.
- Councillor Wier noted new houses in other area are being built to incorporate bird boxes for swifts. Chairman advised this has to be included at the beginning of negotiations Councillor D Ridings has sighted Sparrow hawk.
- Councillor D Ridings advised of LED Street Lamp repairs on Becconsall has left pavements requiring tarmac cleaned away. Chairman Horne was to find out which department to contact.

107 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

- 18 December 2017

Approval of Minutes (to be made at the subsequent meeting of the Parish Council)

Approved as a true record..... (Chairman).....(Date)