

PRESENT: Councillor Les Horne Chairman
Councillor M McGlone Vice-Chairman

Councillor R Lee Councillor C Stringer
Councillor J Cunningham Councillor Linda Horne
Councillor P Wright Councillor D Street
Councillor S Kay

IN ATTENDANCE: Two members of the public

APOLOGIES: Councillors. D Ridings, B Palin and M Stanley.
It was noted that Cllr D Kay had resigned prior to the meeting.
Vacancies are advertised on the website and can be co-opted into.

169 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 were advised.

170 MINUTES – MEETINGS HELD ON 27 JANUARY AND 27 MARCH 2017

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the special meeting held on 27 January 2017 be approved as a correct record subject to an amendment that Cllr. Cunningham was present..

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the ordinary meeting held on 27 March 2017 be approved as a correct record.

It was noted that the agenda for 24 April contained a typo at item 3. 27 Feb should be 27 March.

The Chairman, in an aside from the agenda, read through the minutes and made the following observations:-

- There will be an update meeting regarding flood alleviation with officers from Cheshire East next week.
- The locks and chains for the new SID have been ordered.
- The draft Annual Report had been circulated. Any comments to be sent to the Clerk.
- The ownership of the Victoria Cross was explained to the Clerk and a reminder was given that maintenance was required.

171 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no speakers.

172 FINANCIAL MATTERS

172.1 Authorisation of payments

RESOLVED: That the following payments be approved:

£ 91.60	HM Revenue & Customs – tax on Clerk's April salary as advised by CVS Cheshire East
£ 366.62	Marilyn Houston - Payment of April salary as advised by CVS
£35	Information Commissioner - Data Protection Registration
£tbc	TWM Traffic Control Systems - payment on hold whilst fault investigated. Cllr McGlone has returned the trailer.
£tbc	SID received from OST Technology but invoice is in the post(estimate £2,800) Resolved to authorise payment up to £3,000 including VAT
£51.64	Clerks expenses Aug 16 to March 17 as detailed on expenses claim

172.2 Parish Council ownership of the public phone box at Bradfield Green that is on the BT decommissioning list. – Update from Clerk

The contract has been countersigned by BT. Ideas for the use the box can be put to include a defibrillator.

172.3 Internal Audit of 2016/17 Accounts

The Clerk tabled Section 1 of the Annual Return, the Annual Governance Statement that required PC approval before the 27 April deadline set by internal audit. This had been presented to Members at the previous meeting for information. The form had been completed and signed by the Clerk to certify that the accounting statements in the annual return present fairly the financial position of the PC. A discussion ensued during which some Members asked for clarification on the financial reporting schedule. It was confirmed that quarterly financial reports including a balance sheet will be presented to Members by the Responsible Financial Officer (the Clerk).

RESOLVED: To authorise the Chairman to sign Section 1 of the Annual Return,

173 FLOOD ALLEVIATION SCHEME

The Clerk had had contacted the officer dealing with this, to request he meets with the Chairman, to discuss associated works and a further email had been sent to ask for the meeting to be scheduled.

174 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Applications for consultation

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

17/1602N

Reserved matters approval for a substitution of house types on Phase 2, plots 163-193 inc Land North Of, PARKERS ROAD, CREWE by 24 April extension of deadline requested

RESOLVED: That the PC has no objections

17/1819N

Proposed single storey rear extension and proposed dormer to rear elevation.

45, James Atkinson Way, Crewe, CW1 3NX by 3 May.

RESOLVED: That the PC has no objections

175 POLICE MATTERS

There were no Police Officers in attendance. The Chairman will be attending the Police Cluster meeting.

176 SPEED WATCH

Report on speed watch activity

Councillor Les Horne reported on speed watch activities he had undertaken with PCSOs and the traffic police. The new mobile SID had been delivered and was on display at the meeting, mounted on the tripod. It will be secured with chains and padlocks. It will be added to the asset register and the insurance company will be notified.

177 ANNUAL REPORT

The draft 2016/17 Annual Report had been circulated. Members were invited to send any further ideas to the Clerk and copied to the Chairman.

178 VICTORIA CROSS (on agenda as War Memorial)

Members had agreed there was a need for cleaning and repair of the Victoria Cross at Whalley's Green. The Clerk had circulated an email from a contractor offering a free estimate. The offer is to be taken up and reported to a future meeting.

179 FUNDING FOR COMMUNITY PROJECTS

Cllr Cunningham gave an update from the funding/project committee. The asset transfer of land is still under consideration by Cheshire East. As soon as CVSCE confirm the PC membership a meeting can be arranged to discuss funding.

180 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 Linda Horne asked about tree planting at Whalleys Green.
- Councillor McGlone commented on the use of weed killer by Cheshire East that is making an unsightly mess around trees and street furniture.
- Councillor Kay reported that the Chalc course he had attended was informative. He asked if a Royal British Legion poster could be put up on the Parish Noticeboards and was told it could.
- Councillor Les Horne will move the cameras with Cllr.C Stringer to catch fly tippers.

Part Two

Confidential matters. Press and public excluded from the meeting.

181 ATTENDANCE AT PC MEETINGS

The Clerk confirmed the advice from Chalc that a Member was automatically removed from the PC if absent for six months but that the Member could be co-opted again immediately

182 DATE OF NEXT MEETING 22 May 2017

Signed as an accepted record (subject to minuted amendments)Chairman