**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting, held remotely at 7:30pm**

**Monday 15th March 2021.**

**Councillors in attendance:** Jo Butler (JB**),** Ian Pulley (IP), Alex Baker (AB), Rachel Blood (RB), Victoria Coward (VC), Ros Siddall (RS), Derek Heiron (DH), Jos Saunders CE.

**Parish Clerk:** Janet Gamage (JG)

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| **1.** | **Apologies for Absence**  Nicky Wylie (Cheshire East) |  |
| **2.** | **Declarations of Interest**  None |  |
| **3.**  **Noted** | **Public Forum**  A resident joined the meeting to discuss her proposals of ensuring that Kettleshulme is a Dementia friendly place to live and visit. She had previously produced a document on this which had been forwarded to councillors.  The proposals include that support can be given by the community on a volunteer basis. Working with the school and with local businesses was also suggested.  A scheme has been set up by the proposer’s relative in Bollington, and JS informed the meeting that a scheme exists in Poynton. Both schemes are operating successfully. The scheme in Poynton exists to support dementia sufferers and carers.  This was further discussed later in the meeting. |  |
| **4.**    **Noted**  **Noted**  **Noted**  **All Noted** | **Feedback and information sharing from Cheshire East Councillors (Including flood updates, thefts and waste dumping in the village and Highways updates).**  JS reported that proposal had been made to close some recycling centres. Congleton centre has been temporarily saved, remaining open for now. Concerns had been raised about possible increases in fly tipping. Further work is underway to look at the running costs of these centres.  Several areas have been approved for setting up of cycle lanes. It is unclear as yet which areas will be receiving funding.  Damage to lights outside residents’ properties was discussed. The PCSO will be contacted to visit these properties.  Thefts of bikes from sheds were also discussed, and attempts to break into a van.  Door stop cold callers have also been an issue in the village. Residents have been informed by the police that these callers are scammers, and items should not be purchased from them. JS suggested that the PCSO could put up to date information on social media to warn residents.  JS reported that funding for schools is under pressure. Pupils with learning difficulties may particularly be affected by this.  Elections due to take place include Police and Crime Commissioner elections, and some local elections.  A member of Poynton Town Council will be introduced at a future meeting. She has a keen interest in, and knowledge of planning issues.  There will no longer be a local highways group due to restructuring of committees. A small amount of money will be available for highways repairs and decisions on its use will be made by the new committee. |  |
| **5.**  **Noted** | **PCSO Comments**  The PCSO was not present in the online meeting. He has visited the village a few times recently. A speed camera has been used outside the school, but no one was found to be speeding.  He has also delivered cards and stickers to discourage cold callers, and to display in Land Rover Defenders, as many are being stolen in the area. Stickers will be distributed to residents who wish to have one. |  |
| **6**.  **Noted**  **Noted**  **Noted**  **Noted**  **Noted**  **Noted** | **To note any correspondence received**  A resident reported the burning of plastics. This was reported to the police.  Issues re: faster broadband have been raised for people living on the outlying areas of the village. Following information from a resident before the February meeting, that BT were due to install faster broadband in the summer, the two residents have been put in touch to discuss the reports from BT.  Yu energy informed the council that renewals of contracts are due in September. Quotes are available, and will be gained by the clerk.  Tesco have asked for an update on the refurbishing of the garden at the rear of the village hall. Copies of invoices have been sent, and a feedback form completed.  A memorial Footbridge will be installed at the Toddbrook Feed Weir.  A thank you letter was received from Gwen Wild following the tribute written in the February minutes to Keith Wild who passed away recently. |  |
| **7.**  **Resolved** | **To agree as a true record the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 15th February 2021.**  **7 FOR** |  |
| **8.**    **Resolved** | **To Consider Planning Applications Received**  Three applications were received.  An amendment to an application on Flatts Lane  Hollowcowhey Farm has applied to provide B and B.  The bungalow on Macclesfield Road has an altered application.  All applications were approved**. 7 FOR** |  |
| **9.**  **Noted** | **To discuss strategies needed to provide a dementia friendly village.**  Following the input from a resident in the public forum, the council agreed to work on establishing a dementia friendly village. Ideas and volunteers will be sought. Notices will be put on the council website. |  |
| **10.**  **All**  **Noted**  **Noted**  **Noted**  **Resolved** | **Reports from working parties**  JB attended a PACP meeting. Many areas are planning on community picnics when lockdown is lifted.  Disley TC are in negotiation with CE to purchase a play area in the village.  Flood guidance was given to residents of Poynton.  Men’s mental health was also discussed. The scheme ‘Men in Sheds’ is deemed a success in Poynton.  A scheme to train children on the use of Skate Parks has been offered. A reply is hoped for soon.  A garden bench which was purchased some months ago will be placed in the rear garden.  The WI have contacted the PC to say that the apple trees planted by them in the park, will be pruned to encourage better fruit growth. They asked permission to trim a nearby tree which is affecting the growth of one of the apple trees**. 7 FOR** |  |
| 11. Noted | **To discuss maintenance of the village hall.**  The boiler in the hall is overheating. A plumber will be contacted to fix this.  The porch lights continue to switch on at times in the evening. |  |
| **12.**  **Noted**  **Noted** | **To discuss hall lettings and to discuss research made on future payment arrangements**  Another enquiry has been made to book the hall for a wedding.  A quote for card payment was discussed. The council will look into Izettle or Square repayment schemes as they do not incur a monthly fee. |  |
| **13.**  **Resolved** | **To decide on Insurance renewal for the village hall.**  A second quote has been received from BHIB. The amount is £150 cheaper than Zurich. Zurich will be contacted to ask if they can match the second quote. If so the council will renew with them. Otherwise, the BHIB policy will be taken.  **7 FOR** |  |
| **14.**  **Resolved** | **Finance**  **Payments authorised by the council**  **BACS 7 FOR**   |  |  | | --- | --- | | J Gamage salary (March) | £176.68 | | PAYE | £132.60 | | L Smallwood (Cleaning) | £80 | | **Total** | **£389.28** |   **Cheques**  No cheques  **Cheques not yet cashed**  None    **Bank Statement Reconciliation**  Bank Accounts at the end of February 2020  Current acc £ 19,999.99  Renovation acc £ 37.24  **Total**  **£ 20,037.23** |  |
| **15.** | **Items for future meetings**  **None raised** |  |
| **16.**  **Noted** | **Items for information**  Waterplus DD has been set up again.  Opening of the hall for loaning of books will be reduced and manned in the light of recent thefts. |  |
| **19** | **Date & Time of Next Meeting**  Monday 19th April 2021 at 7.30pm via the Zoom platform. |  |

The meeting concluded at 9:05 pm.