**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting, at the Memorial Hall, Kettleshulme**

**Monday 17/2/2020.**

**Councillors in attendance:** Jo Butler (JB), Ian Pulley (IP), Derek Heiron (DH), Ros Siddall (RS), Victoria Coward (VC) and Nicky Wylie (NW) (Cheshire East).

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

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| 1. | **Apologies for Absence**  Rachel Blood, Jos Saunders (Cheshire East), Amy Hickman PCSO |  |
| 2. | **Declarations of Interest**  None |  |
| 3. | **Public Forum**  No members of the public were present. |  |
| 4.  **Noted**  **Noted**  **Noted** | **Feedback and information sharing from Cheshire East Councillor(s) including flood updates, New Homes Bonus update and Highways update.**  NW enquired about any recent weather issues. JB has contacted  P Reeves re: recent problems.  Issues reported: The gulley outside the school is not working properly. Several other gulleys are blocked.  A meeting has been arranged with agencies involved in flood prevention on 17th March at 1:30 pm. Future flood prevention techniques will be discussed.  Repairs to flood damaged roads was reported according to information from CE website. Work will start on Disley Tops on 16th March. When completed the area near Bolshaws will be repaired, and finally the area on the B5470 leading into Whaley Bridge. Each project will require the roads affected to be closed.  New Homes Bonus – NW said there is no information available yet. When money is available it could possibly be put towards improving the playground. CE are responsible for maintaining the safety of the equipment. JG to contact them to inspect it. Possible other uses of any funding could be used to help improve the condition of the field which is used by all ages in the village, but at times is not very accessible. |  |
| 5. | **PCSO comments**  Reports were emailed to the council. See correspondence received. |  |
| 6.  **Noted**  **Noted**  **Noted**  **Noted**  **Noted** | **To note any correspondence received**  An email re: lack of mobile phone signal was discussed. Previous plans to erect a mast were halted when funding was withdrawn. JG to write to  D Rutley to ask for support on improving the signal in the village.  Mountain Rescue will also be contacted to ask if they can support the need for improved mobile usage in the area.  A query was received about estimates for planting up the rear garden when the repair work is finished. Due to unexpected increased costs of the work being carried out, it was decided that planting of the garden will have to be phase 3 for this project, and postponed possibly until next year.  The village have been invited to take part in the ‘British Spring Clean’. It was decided to take part in this again. JG to register.  PCSO emailed to give details of local issues. These involved reports of thefts of vans and Ford Fiestas around the wider area. Suggestions were sent to protect equipment and vehicles. Keeping car keys out of sight of doors, removing equipment from vans and avoiding detailed advertising on the side of vans which may indicate that tools are in the van.  The new Rights of Way Officer has emailed to ask for a contact on the council to assist in any local issues raised. IP volunteered to be the contact person. |  |
| 7.  **Resolved** | **To agree as a true record the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 20th January 2019.**  **5 FOR** |  |
| 8. | **To Consider Planning Applications Received**  None received |  |
| 9.  **Noted** | **Neighbourhood Planning/ Emergency Planning /Community Response**  This will be discussed after the flood meeting in March. |  |
| **10.** | **Reports from Working Parties**.  **Events WP**  Quiz for Burns night was a big success, many teams took part and the evening was enjoyed by all.  Future events:  March – Litter pick and pop up café.  April – Celebration for St George’s Day with Whaley Bridge Band  May – CRTA event  June – Kett together event |  |
| 11. | **To discuss maintenance of the hall and gardens**  Repair work to the rear garden uncovered many problems which had not been anticipated. New drainage was needed. Support of the patio was undermined by recent bad weather and floods. New fences and gates have been installed. The patio and steps are being re-laid. The project has been hampered by poor weather, and the renovations will take much longer than planned. They will cost more than estimated. |  |
| 12. | **Hall lettings and promotion of the village hall.**  A wedding is booked for later in the year. Other enquiries have been made for weddings.  A choir concert is being planned. There will be no charge to the audience. |  |
| 13.  **Resolved** | **To discuss The Risks Assessment Policy**  The Risk Assessment Policy was approved.  **4 FOR 1 ABS** |  |
| **14.**  **Resolved** | **To discuss ideas for PACP funding**  Following input from an official of PACP, it was decided to bid for a grant to help with improved access for all to the rear garden. This will be discussed by a working party, and will be sent as soon as possible. Working party to meet 26th February.  **5 FOR** |  |
| 15.  **Noted** | **To discuss update made to BT re: Removal of the red phone box.**  A request for further information has been made to BT via Cheshire East. No information received. |  |
| 16.  **Noted** | **To confirm renewal of the insurance of the village hall.**  Insurance with Zurich to be renewed at the next meeting |  |
| **17.** | **Finance**  **Cheques authorised by the council**   |  |  |  | | --- | --- | --- | | 2301 | MEGA contractors | £9,384 | | 2302 | J Butler – White board | £31.92 | | 2303 | J Gamage - salary | £171.94 |   **Bank Reconciliation**  Balance of accounts at the end of January 2020  Current acc: £ 9,378.99  Renovation acc: £14,137.24  **Update on bank accounts**  Application forms for online banking, addition of one signatory and removal of a signatory were completed. |  |
| **18.**  **Noted** | **Items for future meetings**  Further discussion on applications for grants. |  |
| **19.** | **Items for information**  Thank you to the Rose Queen Committee for their generous donation to the improvements of the garden |  |
| **20.** | **Date and time of next meeting**  .  Monday 16th March 7:30 |  |

The meeting concluded at 9 pm