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

**Monday 16th September.**

**Councillors in attendance:** Jo Butler (JB),Ian Pulley (IP**),** Rachel Blood (RB), Derek Heiron (DH), Grant Summers (GS), Ros Siddall (RS), Victoria Coward (VC) and Jos Saunders (JS) (Cheshire East).

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

**PCSO** Amy Hickman (AH)

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| 1. | **Apologies for Absence**  Nicky Wylie (Cheshire East) |  |
| 2. | **Declarations of Interest**  None |  |
| 3. | **Public Forum**  No members of the public were present.  JS gave feedback on the recent flood issues. The planned flood feedback meeting was postponed as the independent advisor could not be present. It will be rescheduled. There was concern about lack of a record of any flood problems in Kettleshulme, and the assumption that the emergency services did not attend. Councillors assured JS that the fire brigade did attend, and that the Senior Fire Officer also came to inspect. Information may not have been forwarded.  Agreement was made to post helpful information on the parish website to give information to help and advise in case of future flood or emergency issues.  There is a planned visit on 4th October to asses the village from Mersey Waterways Trust, The Environment Agency and NFM.  A member of the public gave a letter from David Rutley MP offering his support for future water resilience plans. He has contacted The Environment Agency and met with Cheshire East and Ringway Jacobs (Highway contractors).  JS left meeting to attend another. 8pm |  |
| 4.  **Noted**  **Noted** | **To note any correspondence received**  Chalc have sent an invitation to attend their Annual Meeting on 24th October in Middlewich.  An invitation was given from a newly established group in Whaley Bridge – Acclimatise Whaley. First meeting to be held 19th September 7:30 at The Uniting Church.  A letter was received re: recent car accident on Macclesfield road. The letter pointed out that warning signs of the approaching bend and narrowing of the road were not visible due to overgrown trees.  Photographs were also forwarded of several drains around the village, all showing signs of being blocked. |  |
| 5.  **Noted**  **Resolved** | **To agree as a true record the Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 19th August 2019.**  The following changes were requested and made :  Donation from the Kettleshulme Ents Group (not committee).  Payment of cheque to IP now shows that this was for payment made to Alljays Carpet Cleaning.  Other points all agreed. |  |
| 6.  **Resolved** | **To Consider Planning Applications Received**  Planning application was received for extension to Hollowcowhey Farm, Rainow  No objections were given 6 FOR, 1 ABSTENTION |  |
| 7.  **Noted** | **PCSO Comments**  AH gave feedback on two speed check sessions carried out. No one was found to be speeding. During tests the PCSOs are highly visible, and this may be why there were no breaches of the speed limit. The equipment will only work in daylight. Attempts will be made to carry out future checks at the start of school. Permanent speed cameras are expensive. AH suggested that variable speed cameras are the most effective for slowing traffic down.  Tickets and warnings have been issued to drivers parking on the footpath outside the Swan Inn and higher up Macclesfield Road. AH reported that cars should not be parked on the footpaths. |  |
| **8.** | **Reports from working parties**  No reports given. |  |
| 9.  **Noted** | **Hall Lettings**  A recent wedding was very successful, with photos to be forwarded to RB for use on the parish council website.  Christmas fair will be held on 30th November. £10 to book a table.  CRTA event 1st December.  Remembrance Day Commemoration. British Legion may wish to hire the hall for this. This will require a formal booking for insurance purposes. The Parish Council will reimburse the cost of the booking**. 7 FOR** |  |
| 10.  **Resolved** | **To discuss maintenance of the hall and gardens.**  Awaiting date for the start of planned garden repairs.  Use of remote control for heating in the hall has been researched. DH has found HIVE to be the best arrangement, and will arrange installation.  **7 FOR** |  |
| 11. Noted | **To report on progress with the 2019 audit, including any updates from the external auditor.**  The audit file was forwarded to KPFLittlejohn in London in time for the extended deadline.  Financial issues raised by the internal auditor were amended before the information was sent to London.  Some further information has been requested by PKFLittlejohn, primarily a difference in variance of spending from the previous year. It was higher in the previous year. Details will be sent of spending in previous and year currently being audited. |  |
| 12. | **To discuss any updates on highways**  This was discussed along with item 13 in the Public Forum item 3. |  |
| 13.  **Noted** | **To discuss outcomes of the recent drop in session for the flood issues.**  Discussed in item 3 – Public forum. |  |
| 14.  **Noted** | **To discuss progress with the Community Response Plan**  No comments were made. |  |
| 15.  **Resolved** | **To discuss draft Standing Orders**  Draft Standing Orders were sent out for review ahead of the meeting. The Standing Orders were accepted, and will be reviewed yearly.  **7FOR** |  |
| **16.**  **Noted** | **To discuss the notice of appeal re: Deletion of Public Footpath**  **No 15 and Public Footpath no 23**  Support has already been given concerning the deletion of these footpaths, and the Parish Council continues to support their deletion**.** VC to forward a map reference showing the established footpaths in the area**.** |  |
| **17.**  **Noted** | **5G competition for rural communities**  The competition to enhance the coverage of signal in rural areas will be applied for. Deadline is 25th October 2019. All councillors were asked to read the email link. Thank you to the villager who forwarded the information. |  |
| **18.**  **Noted** | **PACP Funding planning**  PACP have asked if the PC would like to bid for a grant of up to £500. A class for ‘Silver Surfers’ was suggested. Councillors are asked to consider applications for the next meeting. |  |
| **19** | **New signs for the village**  No findings to report. |  |
| **20**  **Noted** | **Update on New Homes Bonus**  Update not available at this meeting. JS to be asked if this fund may provide money for Leaky Dams and tree planting to alleviate future risks of flooding. |  |
| **21** | **Update on Community Response Plan**  JG has downloaded an example from another parish council. Others to be researched. |  |
| **22** | **Finance**  **Cheques approved by Council**  2271 Cheshire West and Chester £287.50  2272 J Wild – Garden £ 80.00  2273 J Gamage – postage £ 26.60  2274 Autela Payroll £ 47.08  2275 J Gamage salary £172.14  2276 HMRC paye £128.80  2277 L Smallwood cleaning £ 66.65  **Bank Reconciliation**  Accounts at end of August  Current £12,245.04  Business Res £ 84.61  Renovation £14,137.24  Total £26,466.89  **Approval for adding clerk to bank accounts (needed for online banking)**  **7 FOR**  Closure of Business Reserve Account. **7 FOR** |  |
| **23** | **Items for future meetings**  Approval for online banking.  Progress of poppy making. |  |
| **23**. | **Items for information**  St James’ School have secured a lottery grant of £10,000 to provide a sports club in the school holidays**.** The club may be open to the wider public.  The school have also been given a tetracycle bin – a bin for items which cannot normally be recycled. Poster of eligible items to be placed on the PC website. A larger bin will be provided jointly by KPC and St James’ School.  The pupils and staff of St James’ School have delivered 21 bags of goods brought in for the harvest festival.  Pupils are currently working on providing handmade poppies to display in the village for Remembrance Day.  The WI are also working on providing poppies. |  |
| **22.** | **Date & Time of Next Meeting**  Monday 21st October 2019 @ 7.30pm |  |

The meeting concluded at 9:50 pm