

**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting at 7:30pm
Monday 15th April 2024.**

Councillors in attendance: Derek Heiron (DH), Charlie Blood (CB), Victoria Coward (VC), Rachel Blood (RB), Alex Baker (AB), Ian Pulley (IP), Jo Butler (JB)

Parish Clerk: Michelle Andrew (MA)

1.	Apologies for Absence.	
Noted	All Parish Councillors present.	
2.	Declarations of interest.	
	None.	
3.	Public Forum.	
	No members of the public present.	
4.	Additional feedback and information sharing with Cheshire East Councillors.	
Noted	CE-JS was not in attendance at the meeting. RB shared that CE-JS has been chasing an update about the road markings for outside the village school. The project has been approved and now awaiting a date.	
5.	PCSO comments.	
Noted	PCSO was not in attendance at the meeting.	
6.	To agree as a true record, the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 18th March 2024.	
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7.	Finance.																			
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	c. Final Budget Report for 2023/24 including Reserves.																			
Noted	Clerk provided Councillors with an End of Year Budget Report detailing budgeted versus actual variances for 2023/24. This set the current reserves at £21,500 for projects and £5,000 as a general reserve for the 2024/25 year. Councillors approved earmarked reserves as follows..																			
Approved	7 FOR. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - £1,750 fascia boards for project materials needed closer to completion (to remains within quote received). - £10,000 main hall repairs to include all panelling, painting, electrics and upholstery. - £3,000 front door. - £3,000 side door - £1,500 additional upstairs storage. 																			

8. Noted	<p>To discuss updates on improvements to the playground on the village field.</p> <p>RB is waiting on a response regarding the consultation then this will be produced and released for comment.</p>	
9.	<p>To note any correspondence received.</p> <p>None.</p>	
10.	<p>To consider Planning applications / decisions received.</p> <p>None.</p>	
11. All Noted Action	<p>Reports from Community Events working party.</p> <p>a. D-Day 80th Anniversary Celebration (8th June) including burial of the time capsule. Whaley Bridge Band will play 2 smaller sessions on the day, hopefully outside.</p> <p>b. Hungrytown Folk Band (28th September) Cost for the band is £400. Tickets will be priced at £12 in advance and £15 on the door. Doors will open at 7pm with the band starting at 7.30pm.</p> <p>c. Remembrance Day 2024 (10th November) Clerk will check the form for what information is required regarding closing the road and report back at the next meeting.</p> <p>The Kettleshulme fell race is scheduled for April 28th and volunteers are still being encouraged to come forward to marshal or provide cake.</p>	
12. All Noted	<p>To discuss maintenance of the hall and garden.</p> <p>a. Fascia Boards Work to commence shortly.</p> <p>b. Creating storage upstairs See above – point 7. Project priority changed to focus on repairs to main hall for 2024/25.</p> <p>c. Panelling / decorating hall See above – point 7. Main hall repairs now priority project for 2024/25 and quotes will be sought for panelling costs initially.</p> <p>d. Hall floor repair See above – point 7. To be looked at in unison with panelling etc.</p> <p>e. Replacement doors See above – point 7. To be reassessed once main hall repairs are complete.</p>	

<p>13.</p> <p>Noted</p> <p>Approved</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>To discuss hall lettings.</p> <p>A few people have been asking if the hall has ladders to be able to put up decorations for parties. As these were stolen at the end of last year, there are currently no ladders available. DH has checked prices for a new pair at around £320. Approved to purchase 7 FOR.</p> <p>Booking form to be amended to include that use of ladders is at own risk.</p>	
<p>14.</p>	<p>Update on ownership paperwork for the village hall.</p> <p>No update.</p>	
<p>15.</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>Updates on Road Maintenance in the village.</p> <p>a. Drainage issues. No update.</p> <p>b. Winter gritting updates. Clerk received a response from Cheshire East Network Resilience and Policy Manager confirming that the previous grit bin locations no longer qualify and so they will not be returned. However, the email also detailed how Kettleshulme is included as a 'high route' within Cheshire East and therefore is gritted more frequently than other borough areas.</p> <p>DH shared that some pot holes on Paddock Lane have been marked with paint and so hopefully will be filled in and repaired soon.</p>	
<p>16.</p>	<p>Items for future meetings.</p> <p>None.</p>	
<p>17.</p>	<p>Items for information.</p> <p>None.</p>	
<p>18.</p> <p>Noted</p>	<p>Date and time of the next meeting.</p> <p>Annual General Meeting – Monday 20th May 2024 – 7.30pm.</p>	

The meeting concluded at 8.24 pm.