

**Minutes of the Ordinary Meeting at 7:30pm
Monday 20th June 2022.**

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

Parish Clerk: Michelle Andrew (MA)

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| 1. | Apologies for Absence Jo Butler (JB), Charlie Blood (CB), Jos Saunders (CE) Nicky Wylie (CE) | |
| 2 | Declarations of interest. None | |
| 3 | Public Forum No members of the public present. | |
| 4 | Feedback and information sharing with Cheshire East Councillors | |
| Noted | Cheshire East have been contacted about having grit bins returned to the village ready for Winter. Advised to complete a form for each location that the council wish for a grit bin to be placed to see if the location is eligible. Councillor AB to complete the forms for the 3 locations where the bins have been removed from. | |
| Noted | Discussion about making salt available to residents even if Cheshire East do not replace the grit bins. Estimated cost to budget of £500. | |
| Noted | Councillor RB has been in touch with Cheshire East regarding the play park on the field and how an inspection is now overdue and some of the equipment is looking worse for wear. Has been told that an assessment will be completed soon and if any of the equipment is found to be broken or at 'end of life' it will be removed however no replacements will be received due to no budget available from Cheshire East. | |
| Noted | Councillor RB also contacted Cheshire East about the trees, moss and hedges around the village field however no response has yet been received. | |
| Noted | A fence panel has been pushed over by some overgrown hedges around the side of the field and this is now blocking disabled access to the field. Regenda will be contacted and asked to cut these back so Cheshire East can be contacted to repair the fence on the field. | |
| 5. | PCSO comments | |
| Noted | The next PCSO surgery will be held on 14 th July 6-7pm. No residents attended the last surgery. | |

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| | Discussions amongst councillors about the disappointment of the failure to set up a Community Speed Watch due to no viable locations to carry the watch out. | |
| 6. | To agree as a true record, the minutes of the Ordinary Meeting of the Parish Council held on Monday 09th May 2022 | |
| Noted | Approved 4 FOR | |
| 7. | Finance | |
| | a Payments to be authorised by the council | |
| | BACS | |
| Approved | HMRC - PAYE | £143.80 |
| | ASP Window Cleaning | £ 60.00 |
| | L Smallwood Cleaning | £208.28 |
| | J Butler – Jubilee Expenses | £400.62 |
| | R Blood – Jubilee Expenses | £493.15 |
| | Hall Hire Retainer Refund (E. Smith) | £150.00 |
| | Clerk Salary May | £179.82 |
| | Clerk Salary June | £179.62 |
| | Total | £1,815.29 |
| | 5 FOR | |
| | Cheques | |
| | None issued or waiting to be cashed | |
| | b Bank Statement Reconciliation | |
| Noted | Bank accounts at the end of May 2022 | |
| | Current Acc | £32,059.86 |
| | Renovation Acc | £37.24 |
| | TOTAL = | £32,097.10 |
| Noted | Direct debits paid in May 2022 | |
| | BT | £ 45.12 |
| | Yu Energy Electricity | £ 40.83 |
| | Yu Energy Gas | £ 92.93 |
| | Water Plus | £ 78.96 |
| Noted | c Update on changes to bank signatories | |
| | No correspondence/ update received from bank about Clerk online banking access. Clerk will phone / online chat with bank for update. | |

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| <p>8.</p> <p>Approved</p> <p>Approved</p> <p>Noted</p> | <p>To inform council on progress with the Audit</p> <p>AGAR Section 1 – Annual Governance Statement was agreed and approved 5 FOR</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Statement 5 was agreed as a ‘no’ response due to the Financial Risk Assessment not being assessed and amended / approved during the 21/22 financial year. <p>AGAR Section 2 – Accounting Statement was agreed and approved 5 FOR</p> <p>All documents required by the External Auditor will now be emailed before the end of June deadline.</p> | |
| <p>9.</p> <p>Approved</p> | <p>To inform the council of agreed changes made to the Financial Risk Assessment</p> <p>Approved 5 FOR</p> | |
| <p>10.</p> <p>Noted</p> | <p>To update council on review of Financial Regulations</p> <p>These will be assessed at by councillor VC to increase the lower threshold for requiring 3 quotes for carrying out work due to increasing cost of materials. To be distributed for assessment and approval at next meeting.</p> | |
| <p>11.</p> <p>All Noted</p> | <p>To note any correspondence received</p> <p>Email from resident about the amount of dog faeces not picked up on grass verges in the area. An attempt has been made previously to remind people to pick up after their dogs with posters being put up however this is a very difficult issue to police and there is little more that can be done to stop people.</p> <p>ChALC email about ‘The Official Controls (Plant Protection Products) Regulations 2020 which imposes restrictions on persons and businesses using PPPs in a professional capacity. Advise to check with gardeners that they comply with these requirements. This will be discussed with any gardener that the council use.</p> <p>Cheshire East have produced a draft Enhanced Partnership Plan & Scheme for consultation detailing plans for bus route developments in the area over the next 10 years. Kettleshulme was mentioned by name in the document once as a village proposed to receive Demand Responsive Transport to supplement the current bus service running through the village.</p> | |
| <p>12.</p> <p>Noted</p> | <p>To consider Planning applications received</p> <p>One new planning application was received – NP/CEC/0522/0645 – no objections were made by councillors to this application.</p> | |

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| 13. | Reports from Community Events working party. | |
| Noted | The Jubilee event was a success and numerous residents have passed on positive feedback about their experience of the day. David Ross donated plants for the event which were appreciated by both councillors and residents. | |
| 14. | To discuss maintenance of the hall and garden. | |
| Noted | Plans ongoing to find a regular gardener to tend to the garden over the summer months. | |
| 15. | To discuss hall lettings. | |
| Noted Noted | Yoga, WI and WB Band continue to use the hall. Discussion about creating a rota amongst councillors to open the hall for parties and events of non-regular users of the hall or possibly fitting a key safe to the hall. Discussion will continue at the next meeting. | |
| 16. | To update the council on progress in trying to acquire grit bins for the village | |
| | See Minute Reference 4. | |
| 17. | To further discuss Flooding Issues in the village. | |
| Noted | No further updates to report. | |
| 18. | Items for future meetings | |
| | None | |
| 19. | Items for information | |
| Noted | Chairman's Allowance will be paid upon providing physical receipts of costs incurred due to the complexity in the process of having the payment made upfront. | |
| 20. | Date and time of the next meeting | |
| Noted | Monday July 18 th 2022 @ 7.30pm. | |

The meeting concluded at 8:55 pm.