

WRENBURY CUM FRITH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 08 MARCH 2018

PRESENT:

Cllr Jack McEvoy (Chairman), Cllr Dave Clarke, Cllr Sue Cole, Cllr David Craig, Cllr Kathy Harding, Cllr Lyndon Jones and Cllr Janet Palmer

17/100 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

17/100.1 Cllrs Black, MacGillivray and Borough Cllr Davies

17/101 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

17/101.1 None

17/102 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 08 FEBRUARY 2018

17/102.1 RESOLVED – that the minutes of the meeting be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

17/103 MATTERS ARISING

17/103.1 Canal and River Trust (CRT)

With regards to the actions agreed at the meeting with the CRT, the following updates were provided –

Replacement of Railings

CRT had accepted responsibility and had fenced off the damaged areas with a view to instigating repairs shortly.

Dangerous edging in two places close to the Public Houses

Repair of these had been added to the maintenance list.

Dog Bins/Bags

Two bins had been replaced. Additional bags were provided to the Council.

Waste Bins

Discussions had been held with the Boatyard regarding sharing the handling of waste.

Footpaths and Gaps in Hedges

Ongoing discussions with local survey team.

17/104 FINANCE REPORT

17/104.1 The Council considered the Finance report which detailed spending against budget and provided an end of year projection. The budget was forecast to be underspent by approximately £1,800. The majority of this underspend related to Neighbourhood Plan spending, as the grant monies had been utilised.

When the 2018/19 budget was agreed, it was noted that all unspent monies for the neighbourhood plan would be made available in 2018/19. Therefore, the full amount of £1,500 would be available for spending on the Neighbourhood Plan in 2018/19.

RESOLVED – that the budget line for Neighbourhood Plan in the 2018/19 budget be confirmed at £1,150.

17/104.2 It was noted that any unspent grant monies would have to be returned to Groundwork if not spent by 31 March 2018, although a new application for funding would be permissible.

RESOLVED – that the Council authorises the Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman of the Council, to approve and pay any invoices received in the current financial year relating to the Neighbourhood Plan, to a maximum of the sum remaining from the grant monies of £1,815.

17/104.3 Payments Authorised

RESOLVED – that the following payments be authorised:

Payee	Reason	Cheque	£
Mark Robinson	Salary & Expenses	500915	199.33
HMRC	PAYE Q4	500916	165.40
Cheshire Community Action	Neighbourhood Plan	500917	1,102.50
SLCC	Membership	500918	40.00

17/105 PLAY AREA INSPECTION REPORT

17/105.1 Cllr Clarke submitted the inspection report, which identified the missing spring on the gate, although it was noted that this was not a safety issue.
RESOLVED – that the report be noted.

17/106 CLERK'S REPORT

17/106.1 General Data Protection Regulation (GDPR)

The Clerk updated Councillors on the requirements of the GDPR, which would be in effect from 25 May 2018. There was still some uncertainty as to the requirements, therefore, a report would be brought to a future meeting following the publication of the precise implications.

17/106.2 Temporary Road Closure

Wrenbury Wood, Wrenbury Ward, Nantwich, CW5 8HH from outside Sproston Hill Farm, to enable United Utilities to carry out insertion of a new connection. Tuesday 3rd April 2018 to Thursday 5th April 2018.

17/106.3 Station Road/Nantwich Road Junction

With regards to the complaint about the condition of the pavement, this had been referred to the highways. As regards the parking area, again this was a matter for the highways authority and thus should be referred to them.

17/106.4 Parking in vicinity of The Green

It was noted that the area in front of Holland House was a matter for the highways authority and should be referred to them.

17/107 SPEED INDICATOR DEVICE (SID)

17/107.1 The Clerk submitted a summary of the recent SID placements in the village. The average speed on the Nantwich Road was 25.7mph, where on Station Road, it was 29.3mph, with the speeding occurring throughout the day. Cllr Craig would contact the PCSOs to request the use of TruCam speed cameras in the village.

17/107.2 The Clerk confirmed that the Borough Council no longer loaned out SIDs and at a cost of in excess of £2,200, it was agreed not to purchase a SID but work closely with PCSOs in tackling speeding.

17/108 PLANNING MATTERS

17/108.1 Applications for consideration.

Ref	Proposal	Response
18/0789N	Oak frame porch to front elevation at Gilly's Barn, Nantwich Road, Wrenbury	No comment
18/0713N	Extension to provide an easy-access lavatory, kitchenette and boiler room; and an emergency exit at St. Margaret's Church, Nantwich Road, Wrenbury	Support
18/0724N	Ground floor rear extension at Farmers Rest, Wrenbury Heath Road, Wrenbury Heath	Support

17/108.2 18/0945 – Land North of, Cholmondeley Road, Wrenbury

The Council considered Application 18/0945 for the construction of 68 dwellings, means of access, landscaping and associated works at Land North Of, Cholmondeley Road, Wrenbury. Councillors expressed strong concern about this application, which was clearly in open countryside.

The employment of a planning expert to support the Council's submission was also considered.

RESOLVED that:–

- i) the Council objects to this application;
- ii) a Special meeting of the Parish Council be held on 22 March to consider the Council's full response to the application; and
- iii) the Council approves the employment of a suitable person to support the Council's submission on this application and authorises a budget of up to £2,000. The Clerk, in consultation with the Chairman and Vice-Chairman, be authorised to facilitate this owing to the urgency taking into account the limited timescales.

17/109 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

17/109.1 Cllr Craig gave an update on the progress of the Neighbourhood Plan. With regards to the housing allocation, this would be discussed further when representatives from the Borough Council at the Neighbourhood Planning Committee on 27 March 2018.

17/110 COUNCILLORS' ITEMS

17/110.1 Councillors raised the following items –

- The high number of potholes in the area;
- Problems with dog waste bags being left on the Recreation Ground. The Clerk would seek to purchase a suitable sign for display at the Recreation Ground.

17/111 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

17/111.1 Special meeting to consider planning application 18/0945 – Thursday, 22 March 2018, commencing at 7.00pm.

17/111.2 Thursday, 12 April 2018, commencing at 7.30pm (Annual Parish Meeting)

17/112 EXCLUSION OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC

17/112.1 RESOLVED - that under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following item of business as publicity would be prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted."

17/113 CLERK'S SALARY 2018/19

17/113.1 RESOLVED - that taking into account the continued increase in duties, the Clerk's hours be increased to six hours per week.

The meeting, which commenced at 8.00pm, concluded at 9.55pm

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