

WRENBURY CUM FRITH PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING HELD ON THURSDAY 11 MAY 2017

PRESENT:

Cllr Irene Black, Cllr Dave Clarke, Cllr David Craig, Cllr Kathy Harding Cllr Jack McEvoy, Cllr Bryan MacGillivray and Cllr Janet Palmer

IN ATTENDANCE:

Four members of the public

17/01 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

17/01.1 Councillors expressed their thanks to Cllr McEvoy for his continued hard work and dedication towards the Parish Council.

RESOLVED – that Cllr McEvoy be elected as Chairman of the Parish Council for the ensuing municipal year.

17/02 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

17/02.1 Councillors expressed their appreciation to Cllr Palmer for her continued support to the Parish Council over the past year.

RESOLVED – that Cllr Palmer be elected as Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council for the ensuing municipal year.

17/03 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

17/03.1 Cllr Cole

17/04 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

17/04.1 None

17/05 VACANCY

17/05.1 The Clerk advised that Cllr Citrine has resigned from the Parish Council. This would result in a casual vacancy on the Parish Council and the Council would have to follow its Casual Vacancy and Co-options Policy. A Notice of Vacancy would be published inviting interested residents to request an election. If this did not occur, then the Parish Council would be able to co-opt to the vacancy.

17/05.2 The Clerk was asked to convey the Council's thanks to Cllr Citrine for his support to the Council during his time as a Councillor.

17/06 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 13 APRIL 2017

17/06.1 RESOLVED – that the minutes of the meeting be approved and signed by the Chairman as a true and correct record.

17/07 FINANCE REPORT

17/07.1 Payments Authorised

RESOLVED – that the following payments be authorised:

Payee	Reason	Cheque	£
Cheshire Community Action	Affiliation	500728	20.00
Cheshire Playing Field	Affiliation	500729	18.00
Playsafety Ltd	Playground Inspection	500730	84.00
Mark Robinson	Salary & Expenses	500731	205.01
JDH Business Services	Internal Audit	500732	130.80

17/07.2 Insurance Renewal

The Insurance Renewal had been received from Came and Company for the year commencing on 1 June 2017. This was the second year of a three-year deal. Councillors reviewed the details of the schedules to ensure that these were satisfactory to the Council's requirements.

RESOLVED – that the insurance renewal from Came and Company be agreed in the sum of £408.93 (cheque no. 500733).

17/08 PLAY AREA SAFETY INSPECTION

17/08.1 Councillors reviewed the Annual Play area safety inspection undertaken by Playsafety Ltd. The report identified that the overall risk rating was low. The main concern was to remove the surface moss/algae. There were several areas to be monitored and these would be reviewed as part of the monthly inspection process.

RESOLVED – that the report be noted.

17/09 HIGHWAY OUTSIDE THE VILLA, NANTWICH ROAD, WRENBURY

17/09.1 The residents from The Villa attended the meeting to discuss the lack of a pavement outside the house. Planning permission had been granted for the demolition of the extension and reinstatement of the front of the property. The lack of the pavement was a danger to pedestrians particularly with vehicles using that area to park perpendicular to the road. This would be the remit of the highways authority.

RESOLVED – that the Council supports the proposal and advises the highways authority accordingly.

17/10 PLANNING MATTERS

17/10.1 Applications for consideration and comment

Ref	Proposal	Response
17/1666N	Outline application for the erection of up to 46 dwellings with public open space, landscaping and sustainable drainage system (SuDS) and vehicular access point from New Road with all matters reserved except for means of access on Land West of New Road, Wrenbury	Objection
17/2212N	Steel frame structure for use of storage of horses, tack, equipment and feed and the use of land for the keeping of horses at Plum Tree Moorings, Nantwich Road, Wrenbury	Objection

17/10.2 17/1666N – Land West of New Road, Wrenbury

RESOLVED – that the Council objects to this application on the following grounds –

- i) contrary to the emerging Cheshire East Local Plan;
- ii) the development is outside the settlement boundary and in open countryside;
- iii) the development will exacerbate the flooding within the area;
- iv) New Road is a narrow lane without a pavement or lighting and thus the development would have an adverse effect on road safety; and
- v) the development does not support the area's status as a Nature Improvement Area.

17/10.3 17/2212N – Plum Tree Moorings, Nantwich Road, Wrenbury

RESOLVED – that the Council objects to this application on the following grounds –

- i) the development is currently being used as a car repair business, rather than as described in the application;
- ii) the development is detrimental to the aesthetic appearance of the

area;

iii) there is already overdevelopment on the site, without the benefit of planning permission;

iv) the development is retrospective and should not have been built; and

v) the planning authority needs to consider the whole site to understand the full adverse effect on the environs.

17/10.4 Planning Appeal – 16/2433N – Land South of Nantwich Road, Wrenbury
Following refusal of this application, the applicant had appealed against the decision.

RESOLVED – that the council reiterates its previous objection to the application.

17/11 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

17/11.1 Cllr Craig gave an update on progress of the Neighbourhood Plan. The Council discussed the possibility of a third quote for the Landscape and Character Assessment. It was agreed that this was the best course of action to ensure probity.

RESOLVED – that the Clerk be authorised to agree to the most appropriate quote, in association with the Chairman and Chairman of the Neighbourhood Planning Committee.

17/12 COUNCILLORS' ITEMS

17/12.1 Councillors raised the following item for the Clerk to action –
i) damage to the Green and the kerbstones by utility companies.

17/13 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

17/13.1 Thursday, 08 June, 2017, commencing at 8.00pm.