Minutes of the Meeting Held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 11th September 2024

Present

Councillors Jackson, Binyon, Dutton, Painter, Warnes and Wilson.

In attendance: G Parker (Parish Clerk), Councillor Mark Stocks (CWAC)

24.035 Apologies for absence

Councillor Corlett

24.036 To note declarations of members' interests

None.

24.037 Public Participation: -

None.

24.038 To receive and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 10th July 2024

The minutes of the meeting held on 10th July 2024 meeting were confirmed as a correct record and signed.

24.039 To receive the police reports.

Resolved that the police reports be received and noted.

24.040 To receive news from the Unitary Authority Councillors.

Resolved that the following updates from Borough Councillor Stocks be noted: -

- A meeting to discuss highways concerns with borough council officers had been arranged.
- the consultation on waste and recycling arrangements was complete and it was likely that an appointment system would be introduced.
- new government housing targets had substantially increased the requirement for the Borough of Cheshire West and Chester.
- Councillor Stocks was involved in a campaign on highways, children's services and winter fuel allowances.

24.041 To receive updates regarding progress with the Parish Plan.

Resolved that: -

Workstream 2

- donations of at least £1750 from residents and £800 from the Lower Peover fundraising committee be received by the Parish Council to fund the draining dredging of barrows brown pond.
- a risk assessment will be undertaken before any works commence.
- the parish council would Commission following contractors to undertake the works.
 - \circ digger hire up to £1100.
 - Tractor and trailer up to £750.
 - Aquavac tanker up to £600.
- the Parish Council would provide a contingency of £500 from its parish plan budget.
- the chair would write to donors to thank them for their contributions to this work after completion.

Workstream 3

- it be noted that the options are to proceed with a commercial quote or explore joint work with neighbouring parishes and volunteers.
- the chair will write to volunteers setting out the position.
- Councillor Anthony Harrison will be contacted to ascertain whether he can contribute financially to the refurbishment works.

Workstream 1

- it be noted that a Councillor Binyon is seeking a meeting with Cheshire West and Chester Highways department.
- the most recent Speedwatch last week identified over thirty-five speeding vehicles.

Workstream 4

• it be noted that there is no update.

24.042 Finance

Resolved that: -

- a. The Receipts and Payments to 31st August 2024 be noted.
- b. The payments due of £nil be noted.
- c. The budget and expenditure to 31st August 2024 be noted.

24.043 To discuss Community engagement.

Resolved that an engagement session be held with residents at the Christmas switch on event on a trial basis.

24.044 To consider the provision of a second defibrillator.

Resolved that further discussions be held with the school.

24.045 To approve the final Community Emergency Plan.

Resolved that the Community Emergency Plan be approved and published subject to the correction of typographical errors.

24.046 To agree the arrangements for the Christmas Tree and switch on event 2024.

Resolved that

- the quotation to obtain a tree from Northwich Town Council is not approved and that a tree be purchased from an alternative supplier.
- a cable protector be purchased a cost of up to £150.
- the switch on event take place on the 3rd December at 6:30 p.m.

24.047 To consider proposals for the use of the former telephone kiosk.

Resolved that this topic be discussed with residents at the Christmas lights switch on event.

24.048 Matters for the next agenda.

Resolved that the following matters be considered at the next ordinary meeting of the Parish Council.

- Footpaths
- Fingerpost restoration
- Christmas event
- Dog fouling

24.049 Future Meetings.

Noted that the date for the next meeting of the Parish Council is Wednesday 13th November 2024.