## Minutes of the Meeting Held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 13th November 2024

#### Present

Councillors Jackson, Binyon, Dutton, Painter and Wilson.

#### In attendance:

G Parker (Parish Clerk), Councillor Anthony Harrison (CEC), PCSO Philip Hambleton

## 24.050 Apologies for absence

Councillor Corlett, Councillor Mark Stocks

#### 24.051 To note declarations of members' interests

None.

## 24.052 Public Participation: -

None.

# 24.053 To receive and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2024

The minutes of the meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> September 2024meeting were confirmed as a correct record and signed.

## 24.054 To receive the police reports.

## **Resolved** that

- the police reports be received and noted.
- The advice from PCSO Hambleton on repouring of noise complaints be noted.

## 24.055 To receive news from the Unitary Authority Councillors.

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

- The Boundary Commission review of Cheshire East wards is at the consultation stage
- A review of the National Planning Policy Framework has been initiated by government and it is probable that the housing requirement for Cheshire East will increase
- CEC is reviewing the waste collection service
- CEC and neighbouring Boroughs are engaging with government on

- devolution
- CEC continues to suffer from budget pressures caused by demand for social care. This may lead to the introduction of election recharged to parishes.
- Councillor Harrison has commissioned a speed review of Plumley Moor Road.
- Councillor Harrison has accessed a scheme to plant Remembrance trees
- Councillor Harrison would like to be made aware of any damaged road signs in his area of the Parish.

## 24.056 To approve the absence of Councillor Corlett

**Resolved** that, having regard to the circumstances of the absence of Councillor Louise Corlett from Parish Council meetings, the requirements of Section 85 (1) of the Local Government Act 1972 for a period of up to six months from 13<sup>th</sup> November 2024 to 13<sup>th</sup> May 2025 be waived.

## 24.057 To receive updates regarding progress with the Parish Plan.

#### Resolved that: -

#### Workstream 1

- The good attendance of 38 people at the recent speed awareness session be noted.
- The partial implementation of the dragons' teeth and speed roundels on Middlewich Road be noted.

#### Workstream 2

 The delay to the pond reclamation works caused by inclement weather in October be noted.

#### Workstream 3

Progress with the fingerpost refurbishment be noted.

#### Workstream 4

it be noted that there is no update.

#### 24.058 Finance

#### Resolved that: -

- a. The Receipts and Payments to 31st October 2024 be noted.
- b. The payments due of £194.39 be approved.
- c. The budget and expenditure to 31st October 2024 be noted.

- d. An increasing amount of the budget be allocated to maintain the public realm in future years; in particular to introduce additional maintenance around Barrows Brow pond. For next year options be prepared including one off expenditure on all potential projects of £5700.
- e. Up to £900 be approved for fingerpost restoration works in the current financial year.
- f. A contribution from the Parish Council of £250 be approved for the VE day preparations and that the Parish Council apply for a member grant from CWAC for a further £250 which, if approved, would increase the total contribution to £500.

#### 24.059 Christmas switch on event 2024.

#### Resolved that

- 1. the arrangements for the provision of the Christmas Tree and switch on event including £75 for the choir and the other related expenditure be approved.
- **2.** the proposals for volunteers to set up and run the switch on event be approved.

## 24.060 Footpaths

**Resolved that** the Parish Council write to the relevant landowner to request consideration of installing kissing gates to improve accessibility to the footpaths.

#### 24.061 Dog Fouling

**Resolved that** the Parish Council requests Cheshire West and Chester Borough Council to undertake a survey and, subject to the results, provide additional bins to alleviate the litter and dog fouling problems.

## 24.062 To consider the Boundary Commission consultation on Cheshire East Council wards.

**Resolved that** the Parish Council approves the Boundary Commission proposal for the Chelford Ward.

#### 24.063 Matters for the next agenda.

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

- Parish Plan update
- Budget and Precept 2025/26
- Phone Box refurbishment
- Defibrillator update

• Christmas event debrief

## 24.064 Future Meetings.

Noted that the date for the next meeting of the Parish Council is Wednesday 8<sup>th</sup> January 2025.

#### **ADDENDUM**

At its meeting on 12<sup>th</sup> March 2025 the Parish Council resolved that the following addendum be attached to the minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>TH</sup> November 2024: -

Options for responding to noise complaints made regarding establishments in the parish.

#### Resolved that

- A letter from the Chair be sent to the Crown Inn setting out the process that the Parish Council will follow if it receives complaints of noise or other nuisance.
- 2. The Parish Clerk will maintain a register of complaints received from parishioners.
- 3. Advice to parishioners on submitting complaints be included in the Spring 2025 newsletter.
- 4. A copy of the advice be circulated to Parish Councillors to assist them should they receive complaints.