

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON

WEDNESDAY 17th MAY 2017 AT CHURCH LAWTON MEMORIAL HALL

Present: Chair Roger Young; Vice-chair Barbara Adams

**Councillors Mike Hall; Neil Harper; Sue Owen; M Dawson; Viv Jackson; Vic Tarrant; Cllr Fernihough
Cheshire East Councillor, Rhoda Bailey**

The Council Meeting commenced at 7:30pm.

17/1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies have been received from Cllr J Atkins.

17/2 NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF A CHAIRMAN FOR 2017-2018

The clerk informed that only one nomination had been received: Cllr Young, nominated by Cllr Harper and seconded by Cllr Adams.

It was resolved by all present that Cllr Young be elected Chair for the coming Council year.

17/3 NOMINATION AND ELECTION OF A VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR 2017-2018

The clerk informed that only one nomination had been received: Cllr Adams, nominated by Cllr Harper and seconded by Cllr Young.

It was resolved by all present that Cllr Adams be elected as Vice-Chair for the coming Council year.

17/4 TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATION OF INTERESTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

None

17/5 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON 19th APRIL 2017

The minutes of 19th

^h April 2017 were approved as a correct record by all present.

17/6 TO DISCUSS MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MEETING OF 19TH APRIL 2017 AND OTHER OUTSTANDING ISSUES.

17/6/1 PROGRESS OF DEFIBRILLATOR INSTALLATION AND THE TRAINING DAYS

A works order has been submitted to the electrician. Two training sessions have taken place to date at Lawton memorial Hall with a third scheduled for the morning of the 18th May at the Horseshoe Inn.

17/6/2 NOTICEBOARD REPLACEMENT

Consideration of areas and permission which may be required:

- It was agreed that the Notice board to be placed at the red bull traffic lights could go slightly forward to the location of the present one.
- It was agreed that the land ownership and appropriate permissions be sought for the noticeboard close to the Grove shop. Although the position would be the same as at present, the new noticeboard is larger.

Action – The clerk to check permissions and to progress the order.

17/7 TO RECEIVE CHESHIRE EAST MATTERS FROM RHODA BAILEY

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Cllr Bailey raised the following issues:

17/7/1 Cllr Bailey informed that the new mayor of Cheshire East Council is Cllr Arthur Moran and the deputy mayor is Lesley Smethern.

17/7/2 Cllr Bailey informed about a bus service review which is currently undergoing a consultation. The number 78 and 315 will be affected in Church Lawton and the proposed changes do mean that subsidies will be removed and services will go. It was agreed that the Parish Council should respond and that residents need informing of the consultation.

Action – The clerk to draft a response and to take steps to inform residents.

17/7/3 The changes to the Food Waste Collection services was explained – food waste will be placed in brown bins from 2019 and will be processed at Leighton Grange farm.

17/8 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

Cllr Dawson updated the Council on the progress on the Neighbourhood Plan, the minutes having been previously circulated. Cllr Dawson informed that support has been sought from Cheshire Community Action and work is in progress to look at the historical building in the Parish.

17/9 NEWSLETTER UPDATE

This was deferred until the June Meeting.

17/10 FINANCE

17/10/1 Results of the Council's Internal Audit and Actions Needed

The clerk reported that the Internal Audit has been completed by JDH Business Services Ltd. There are no recommendations.

17/10/2 Receipt and Approval of the 2016/2017 Accounts and Variance Statement

The Council received the end of year expenditure against budget and bank reconciliation from the Clerk.

17/10/3 To Review and Approve the Annual Governance Statement 2016/2017.

The Annual Governance Statement 2016/2017 was reviewed by the Council.

It was resolved by all present to approve the Annual Governance Statement which was duly signed by Cllr Young and the Clerk.

17/10/4 To Review and Approve the Accounting Statements 2016/2017.

The Accounting Statements 2016/2017 were reviewed by the Council.

It was resolved by all present to approve the Accounting Statements which were duly signed by Cllr Young and the Clerk (as Responsible Financial Officer).

17/10/5 To Approve Receipts (Received up from 31st March 2017 until 30th April 2017)

Interest 30th April 2017: Reserve Account 1- 0.10p Reserve Account 2- 0.02p

1st Precept instalment - £6000

Vat return - £77.10

Total - £6,077.22

17/10/6 Approval of Payments:

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The following payments were approved by the Council:

Clerk's Salary April (to be paid on the 25th) £	379.41
Clerk's working from home allowance April	£17.33
Lawton Computer Services	£164.22
Total -	£560.96

17/11 PLANNING ISSUES

17/11/1 To receive new Planning Applications since the Meeting of 19th April 2017.

17/2161C – Variation of Condition 2 of existing permission 14/2351C – Construction of 14no semi-detached houses. Comments deadline 18th May 2017 – Now 24th May

It was agreed that Church Lawton Parish Council have no comment to make.

17/2062C – Lawton Mere Nurseries. Demolition of existing glasshouses and construction of new residential development for up to three dwellings. Comments deadline 25th May 2017

It was agreed that Church Lawton Parish Council have no objection in principle but do have some concerns especially regarding whether the glasshouses have any working life left in them

Action - The clerk to draft a response for comment.

16/5562C – Rectory Farm Appeal against refusal by Cheshire East for the building of five houses. Deadline 7th June 2017

It was agreed that Church Lawton Parish Council reiterate their previous concerns.

Action – The clerk to draft a response for comment.

17/1245C Outline application for proposed residential developments of three executive properties, 2, Liverpool Road West, Church Lawton, ST7 3DA Comments deadline 7th June 2017

It was agreed that Church Lawton Parish Council reiterate the concerns shown regarding the previous application at this site regarding issues of loss of employment, green belt development, flooding, loss of established trees and highways safety.

Action – The clerk to draft a response for comment.

17/11/2 To Update the Council on Existing Applications

17/1163C Proposed two detached dwellings. Land at Sandbach Road, Church Lawton, Alsager. Comments deadline 5th April 2017

No decision to date.

17/0838C 6, Lawtongate Estate - Existing lean-to type conservatory to be replaced with small, solid wall extension with flat roof.

Approved – 26th April 2017

17/1065D and 17/1066D– Discharge of conditions, Twyfords.

No decision to date.

17/12 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED NOT COVERED ELSEWHERE INCLUDING:

17/12/1 The clerk informed the Council of a letter from Mr Frank Byatt concerning the naming of the access road to Rectory Farm. The Council agreed that the proposed name seems very appropriate.

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Action – The Clerk to respond to Mr Byatt.

17/13 TRAINING AND MEETINGS

17/13/1 Forthcoming:

Cheshire East Forum – Tuesday, 13th June, Middlewich

Police and Crime Commissioners Meeting – Thursday, 22nd June, Macclesfield.

Cllr Dawson agreed to attend.

Police and Crime Commissioner's Safety Conference – Thursday 29th June at Winsford 9full day). Cllr Hall and Dawson agreed to attend.

Action – The Clerk to book the places.

17/13/2 Attended since the meeting of 19th April 2017

None

17/14 MEMBERS' ITEMS

17/14/1 Cllr Fernihough raised about parking on grass verges and that people putting stones which are a liability. The stone also make grass cutting difficult. It was noted that parked cars are a problem, though. The problem is especially occurring along the A34.

Action – The Clerk agreed to verify the policy regarding stones on the grass verges and also to talk to the PCSO.

17/14/2 It was noted that traffic census data has been being collected on several local roads.

17/14/3 Cllr Jackson reported that work on Knowsley Lane has taken place but that the tarmacing hasn't been completed.

The meeting concluded at 20:45

To agree Date of Next Meeting : Wednesday 21st June, 2017, at 7:30pm