



**CHURCH
LAWTON**
Parish Council

CHURCH LAWTON PARISH COUNCIL

15th February 2019

To: All members of Church Lawton Parish Council.

Dear Councillor,

You are summoned to the Council of Church Lawton Parish Council which will take place as follows:

LAWTON MEMORIAL HALL ON WEDNESDAY 20th FEBRUARY 2019 AT 7:30pm

The agenda for the meeting is set out below.

Sue Davies (clerk) *S Davies*

A G E N D A

1. To receive apologies for absence.
2. To receive any Declaration of Interests regarding Agenda items.
3. To approve the Minutes of the Meeting held on Wednesday 9th January 2019 (See appendix 1)
4. To discuss Matters Arising from the last meeting - To consider any matters outstanding or arising from the minutes of 28th November 2018 not covered elsewhere:
 - Leaflet to advertise for prospective councillors – to receive an update from the Clerk. (Leaflet circulated separately)
 - Memorial Hall Event for prospective councillors – to receive an update from the Clerk.
5. To receive Cheshire East Matters from Councillor Rhoda Bailey.
6. To receive a revised list of contacts (circulated separately).
7. To further consider and agree a date for the Annual Parish Meeting
8. To agree the date for the 2019 Civic Service.
9. To consider application for and working towards the foundation Quality Council Award. (<https://www.nalc.gov.uk/our-work/improvement-and-development/local-council-award-scheme>).
10. To consider the use of Councillor emails and to review some alternative packages available. (Information circulated separately.)
11. To receive and consider details of quotes and an update on progress regarding the noticeboard replacements. (Circulated separately)
12. To receive and consider prices and quotes for projectors. (Circulated separately)
13. To note a meeting of the community groups is being arranged.
14. Lawton Memorial Hall – to receive feedback from the meeting of the 19th February, and to note any actions required. To note the date of the next meeting and agree representation.
15. Barrows Group – To receive an update from Neil Harper and to receive the minutes of the meeting held on the 28th January 2019. (See appendix 2)

16. Fly posting issues: To review the commercial advertising in the parish and to agree actions. To receive a letter from the Alsager Town Clerk regarding Alsager Neighbourhood Plan advertising and to agree the response.
17. Police Matters –
 - a) To receive January's beat manager's report. (See appendix 3).
 - b) To receive an update from Cllr Young, and to receive the notes from, the Cluster Meeting held on the 10th January 2019. (See appendix 4)
 - c) To note the day of the next Cluster Meeting and attendance.
 - d) Update on PCSO surgeries and any actions arising.
 - e) To receive details of complaints from Facebook regarding speeding concerns on Liverpool Road West and to agree any actions required.
18. Highways Matters- To receive an update and to raise any matters arising.
 - a) To note correspondence to the Clerk regarding the state of the footpaths on Knutsford Road.
 - b) To note the 'Welcome to Church Lawton' sign that has been taken down at the entrance to the Wain Homes site, to receive an update from the Clerk and to agree actions required.
 - c) To note complaints received regarding overgrown hedges and agree actions.
 - d) To note complaints received regarding parking on verges causing damage and to agree any actions.
 - e) To note complaints received regarding the poor road markings at the junction of Grove Avenue and the one-way street (A50).
19. Neighbourhood Planning update –
 - a) To note the resignation of chairman, Mr Ray Yates.
 - b) To note that a further meeting is being arranged to discuss the way forward.
 - c) To note any other actions required.
20. Planning
 - a) Receive and consider new Planning Applications since the meeting of 9th January 2019:
19/0305C – 11, Sandbach Road, Church Lawton, Proposed two detached dwellings
Comments deadline 6th March 2019
19/0437C – 7, Congleton Road North, Church Lawton, Single storey rear extension.
Comments deadline – 27th February 2019
19/0183C – Snapes Cottage, Old Knutsford Road, Church Lawton, Two storey rear extension.
Comments deadline 26th February
 - b) Update on outstanding planning applications.
21. Finance (Clerk)
 - a) To note receipts January 2019 – (Circulated separately).
 - b) To approve payments required since the meeting of the 9th January 2019 (Circulated separately).
 - c) To receive a report from the clerk regarding the current financial situation of the Council and spending against budget till the end of January 2019. (circulated separately) and to resolve to agree any virements required.
22. Correspondence received not covered elsewhere (Clerk).
23. Training/meetings and courses:
 - a) Town and Parish Conference – Wednesday 6th March, 2:30pm, Sandbach (tbc)
 - b) Training requirements and forthcoming meetings
 - c) Report on courses and meetings attended since the last meeting not covered elsewhere.
24. To receive matters raised by members
25. Future Agenda Items

- Bench and other plans for the Canal Bank – liaison with the Canal and River Trust
- Walking Maps of Church Lawton.

26. To agree Date of next meeting: **Meeting: Wednesday 20th March 2018**

MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON
WEDNESDAY 9th JANUARY 2019 AT CHURCH LAWTON MEMORIAL HALL

Present: Chair Roger Young
Councillors: Vic Tarrant; Bill Banks; John Atkins; Sue Owen; Robert Fisher; N Harper
Cheshire East Councillor, Rhoda Bailey*

The meeting started at 7:30pm

**Cllr Bailey arrived at 19:40 and left at 19:50*

18-19/140 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies have been received from Cllrs Barbara Adams, Vic Tarrant and Sue Owen.

18-19/141 TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATION OF INTERESTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS

Cllr Banks reported an interest in the projector purchase. The item was deferred.

18-19/142 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 28TH NOVEMBER 2018

Resolved: The minutes of 28th November 2018 were approved as a correct record by all present.

18-19/143 TO DISCUSS MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MEETING OF 24TH OCTOBER 2018

18-19/143/1 VACANCY ON THE PARISH COUNCIL

The current vacancy was discussed along with the need to encourage volunteers to stand at the next election. The Clerk agreed to circulate a draft leaflet for comment. It was also agreed to look at hiring the Memorial Hall on a Saturday to allow members of the public to discuss the role with Councillors.

Action: The Clerk to arrange the hall hire and circulate the leaflet.

18-19/143/2 NOTICEBOARD REPLACEMENT

The Clerk reported that the quotes are being sought and land ownership being verified to ensure the correct permissions are in place.

18-19/143/3 SCREEN/PROJECTOR FOR MEETINGS

Deferred until the February 2019 meeting.

18-19/144 TO REVISED LIST OF CONTACTS

The revised list of contacts was deferred.

18-19/145 TO CONSIDER AND AGREE A DATE FOR THE 2019 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING

It was suggested that the Annual Parish Meeting be held on the fourth Wednesday in April (24th). The Clerk agreed to discuss this further with the Cheshire Association of Councils.

Action: The Clerk to discuss further with ChALC.

18-19/146 TO CONSIDER A DATE FOR THE 2019 CIVIC SERVICE

Deferred

18-19/147 TO RECEIVE CHESHIRE EAST MATTERS FROM CLLR RHODA BAILEY

Cllr Bailey updated on Cheshire East issues:

- The cabinet meeting will discuss progress on the Middlewich bypass and Congleton Link Road. There will be a contractor event at Black Firs Primary School regarding the Congleton Link Road, 17:00 to 19:30 on the 29th January.
- Cllr Bailey raised about the arm's length companies such as ANSA and ESAR and reported that the governance of such companies is to be reviewed.
- A debate is to occur regarding the cabinet system at Cheshire East.

Cllr Bailey left after her report at 19:50.

18-19/148 TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE MEETINGS HELD WITH COMMUNITY GROUPS/PARTNERS.

A further meeting still to be organised along with further dementia training for those who were unable to make the first session.

Action: The Clerk to progress both issues.

18-19/149 LAWTON MEMORIAL HALL COMMITTEE REPRESENTATION

The Clerk updated the Council and informed that the Memorial Hall has been approached and that the proposal of a councillor attending the meetings is being taken to the Memorial Hall Committee.

18-19/150 POLICE MATTERS

18-19/150/1 BEAT REPORTS

The Council noted receipt of the November and December beat reports. It was noted a request to provide a bit more details could be taken to the Cluster Meeting. It was further noted that the number of drivers caught speeding on Congleton Road appears high and that the next steps to tackle the problem should be discussed with the PCSO.

18-19/150/2 UPDATE ON THE CLUSTER MEETINGS

It was noted that the next cluster meeting is to be held on the 10th January. Cllrs Young agreed to attend on behalf of the Parish Council. The venue will be the Odd Rode Parish Council office, Newfield House.

18-19/150/3 OTHER POLICE MATTERS INCLUDING FEEDBACK FROM POLICE SURGRIES

There was nothing to report from police surgeries.

18-19/151 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

The lack of progress with the Neighbourhood Plan was raised. The Clerk did inform that some residents of the Brattswood Drive Area had been writing policies, some hard work has taken place and that an email had been received earlier that day. It was felt the Neighbourhood Plan Group had not been consulted nor had sight of this work to date as the chair hasn't called any meetings.

It was agreed that a meeting was needed to pull the Neighbourhood Plan back together. Cllrs Young, Fisher, Banks volunteered to attend the next Neighbourhood Plan meeting to consider joining. Cllr Harper is considering his role due to other commitments. The clerk reported that Councillor Owen had previously expressed an interest.

Appendix 1

Action: The Clerk to call a meeting.

18-19/152 HIGHWAYS MATTERS – TO RECEIVE AN UPDATE

There were no issues raised.

Action – The Clerk to report to Cheshire East.

18-19/153 PLANNING

18-19/153/1 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS SINCE THE MEETING OF THE 28TH NOVEMBER 2018

Three deferred conditions have been received on the Caradon/Twyfords development. The council decided that these would not be considered.

18-19/153/2 UPDATE ON OUTSTANDING PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The outstanding applications (awaiting a decision by Cheshire East) were noted.

18-19/154 FINANCE

18-19/154/1 TO APPROVE RECEIPTS – DECEMBER 2018

The receipts for December were approved.

Resolved: To approve the receipts.

18-19/154/2 TO APPROVE PAYMENTS REQUIRED SINCE THE MEETING OF 28TH NOVEMBER 2018.

The Clerk's salary was approved for payment.

18-19/154/3 TO RECEIVE THE Q3 REPORT FROM THE CLERK

Deferred.

18-19/154/4 TO RESOLVE TO APPROVE THE 2019/2020 BUDGET. TO RESOLVE TO AGREE THE PRECEPT REQUEST FOR 2019/2020.

Councillors had no further projects to add to the budget. It was resolved that the budget proposed at the November meeting be approved and that the precept be set at £22,000.

Action: The clerk to submit the request to Cheshire East.

18-19/155 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

The Clerk informed of a police commissioner series of events to discuss the police precept. The nearest event is Crewe on 12th January.

Alsager Neighbourhood Plan Group have written to ask if they can put a banner up at Lawton Lights. The overall opinion was that it wasn't appropriate.

18-19/156 TRAINING/MEETINGS ATTENDED NOT REPORTED ELSEWHERE

Cllr Fisher agreed to attend the Town and Parish Conference on the 29th January 2019, Middlewich, 18:00.

18-19/157 MEMBERS MATTERS

- Flyposting is increasing again.

Appendix 1

- Litter problems.
- Poor condition of footpaths in places.
- Blocked gully/drain on Liverpool Road West..

18-19/158 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS

- Canal Bank Improvement.
- Equipment for display for the Memorial Hall.
- Walking Maps of Church Lawton.
- Planting schemes for the next financial year.

The meeting concluded at 20:45

To agree Date of the Next Meeting: Wednesday 20th February 2019, at 7:30pm

**Bronze Age Barrows Steering Group Meeting
Lawton Memorial Hall, Monday 28th January 2019, 7:30pm**

Minutes

Present: Jane S., Neil H., Rhoda B., Sue H., Eve D.

Apologies: Sue D., Anne R., Phil W., Malcolm R. (rolling apology)

Weaver Hall visit: well worthwhile and the steering group was surprised at just how many Barrows artefacts there were. Many thanks to Sue H. for organizing.

7th July 2018 meeting with Wain Homes: some of us attended a productive meeting with Richard Chamberlain of Wain Homes discussing the house building schedule (268 houses, being built at a rate of 30 to 40 per year) and the proposed open space provision and path to the Barrows field.

10th September 2018 meeting with Cheshire East: steering group members met with open spaces officer Diane Owen, case officer Daniel Evans and Cllr Liz Wardlaw. Cllr Shirley Jones, chair of Alsager Town Council, also attended. Discussion centred around the proposed path through the woodland, which the group had serious concerns about. Cheshire East stated the path was needed if the Barrows field was to count as open space provision, which they said it needed to under the terms of permissions granted.

Barrows Christmas tree at All Saints' Church and Weaver Hall visit: Many thanks to Neil for securing and to Eve for putting in many hours of work with the Year 3 children of St Gabriel's School, not only making the beautiful 'Beaker Folk' decorations but also a field trip taking in the Barrows site and artefacts at Weaver Hall (where Eve also discovered there are Bronze Age urns from Betchton too). The school also did a parents' survey asking about awareness of the Barrows. Neil returned the decorations to the school along with a thankyou note.

Action: [Sue H.](#) to ask Weaver Hall for any info about the Betchton artefacts.

Action: [Rhoda](#) and [Neil](#) to liaise with Church Lawton School re: involvement next Christmas, as they're the most local school.

Action: [Jane](#) to liaise with Mrs Hines at St Gabriel's School with a view to going in and giving a talk / update, as suggested by Eve.

Action: [Group members](#) to look out for any Church Lawton community events where the Barrows group can have an active presence to raise awareness.

Path through woodland: the path that Cheshire East wanted is now built, and it's wide and hard for access for people with disabilities, going through the woodland and stopping short of the Barrows field. We need to make sure motorbikes can't get through to the Barrows field.

Wildlife updates: Jane reported to group.

Public repository for Barrows documents and images: Eve suggested a public resource would be useful for schools and others.

Action: [Neil](#) to discuss with CL Parish Council.

Site visit: This should be the next step, after which we'll have a steering group meeting to decide what to ask for re: funding around site information.

Action: [Jane](#) to arrange with Wain Homes and group members.

Bronze Age re-planting: Jane raised the issue of the surrounding woodland being almost exactly the same tree species as in the Bronze Age, which provides nice continuity but which also means that a re-planting of trees as mentioned in the 1980s pollen analysis wouldn't look any different at all from the surrounding area.

Appendix 2

Orchard suggestion: Jane raised the idea of a community orchard. It was agreed that we should find out more information on planting possibilities and to what extent that could affect the stones below ground.

Action: [Jane](#) to liaise with Cheshire Wildlife Trust's community orchards officer as to what would be needed and how this could affect the buried stones.

Funding: Heritage Lottery Fund / Cheshire Community Foundation: info on CCF sent in by Sally.

Action: [Jane](#) to circulate CCF information to group.

Malcom Reid offer: Archaeologist Malcolm, although not attending our steering group meetings, has kindly offered to give another talk about the Barrows when needed.

Cash donations from Memorial Hall talk: Rhoda reminded the group she still had around £30 in a jar to hand over.

Meeting room hire: The group thanked CL Parish Council for paying for the meeting room hire that evening.

Appendix 3

Beat managers report	
Reporting period	JANUARY 2019
Completing officer	PCSO Steele
Ward	ODD RODE
Community Engagement undertaken	<p>0 Fixed penalty notices issued for None compliance with Parking,</p> <p>0 coffee mornings at local groups/churches attended,</p> <p>9 Beat meetings held (PCSO surgeries)</p> <p>Local Churches visited, no issues to report,</p> <p>High visibility patrols around local schools re parking issues,</p> <p>Local shops visited no issues to report,</p> <p>High visibility patrol undertaken by <u>myself</u>.</p>
Priority/Problems	Speeding and parking issues in the area.
Supporting evidence & validation	Members of the community complaining to PCSO's while on foot patrol, Complaints from <u>local residents</u>
Objectives/Aims (to address the priority. What is to be achieved?)	<p>To reduce the speed of vehicles <u>in identified</u> areas,</p> <p>To reduce the reports of inconsiderate/illegal parking of vehicles in identified areas,</p> <p>Reduce incidents of ASB,</p> <p>Increase levels of confidence</p>
Consultation (who has been involved <u>in</u> ?)	<p><u>Local residents</u></p> <p>Local activity groups</p>
Action Plan (what are you planning to do to solve the priority/problem?)	<p>Specific</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Identify the nuisance youths and deal with them appropriately • Use of <u>non enforceable</u> speed guns by PCSO's • Warning letters to be issued to any speeding drivers • Enforceable speed gun to be used. • Encourage Speed watch to participate in data gathering to use resources intelligently on target roads • Hi visibility patrols in problem area re. ASB and enforcement where appropriate • Proactive patrols and investigation to deter, disrupt and prosecute drug dealing and use <p>Measurable</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Reduced number of complaints from residents • Number of FPNs issued • Reduce the number of speeding vehicles. • Reduce number of incidents of ASB/damage

Appendix 3

Outcomes	Increase in speed enforcement to monitor speeding. ASB patrols to monitor minor incidents in order to deter
Speed Enforcement	<p><u>Try</u> Cam (handheld speed camera) deployments: 5</p> <p>Locations:</p> <p>A34 Congleton Road North, Church Lawton X2: 58 activations</p> <p>A34 Congleton Road North, Scholar Green: 12 activations</p> <p>A34 Newcastle Road, Astbury: 3 activations</p> <p>Total activations: 73</p>
Abstractions (leave/sickness/training, etc.)	<p>I have had the following days off the area,</p> <p>1 day due to public holidays</p> <p><u>1 day</u> annual leave</p> <p><u>1 day</u> training</p>

MONTHLY INCIDENTS/CRIMES/ISSUES OF NOTE

None Domestic Crimes and incidents of note	<p>During JANUARY there have been 69 reported incidents including :-</p> <p>3 ASB incidents – <u>2</u> R/H & 1 S/G</p> <p>2 Crim dam – 1 AST, 1 R/H & 1 C/L</p> <p>6 RTC incidents, all were damage only – 1 S/G, 2 AST, 1 C/L, 1 R/H & 1 M/C</p> <p>5 Traffic related incidents – 3 AST, 1 C/L & 1 S/G consisting of 1 fallen tree, 1 animal related, 1 debris in road, 1 parking and 1 vehicle default</p> <p>0 Theft</p> <p>0 Burg</p> <p>For home security advice please see: https://www.cheshire.police.uk/advice-and-support/home-safety-and-security/</p> <p>KEY - S/G – SCHOLAR GREEN, C/L - CHURCH LAWTON, R/H - RODE HEATH, M/C – MOW COP, AST – ASTBURY</p>
Issues of note	<p>If any member of the public would like to contact me regarding any of these <u>issues</u> then don't hesitate to contact me on matthew.steele@cheshire.pnn.police.uk</p>

To check when and where I will be holding my drop in surgeries in Odd Rode please check our website on: <https://www.cheshire.police.uk/local-policing/macclesfield/macclesfield-events/>

Sign up to receive alerts from Cheshire police and follow Cheshire police on Facebook & Twitter by using the following links:

- www.cheshirepolicealert.co.uk
- www.facebook.com/Odd-Rode-Police-542773109432030/

Appendix 4

Parish Cluster Meeting Report – Thursday 10th January 2019 7pm

Location: Newfield House, Astbury

Beat Team Present:

PCSO Matthew STEELE

Parish Members Present:

Name	Parish
Chris CLOWES	Odd Rode – Rode Heath
Gary ROBERTS	Odd Rode Clerk
Roger YOUNG	Church Lawton
Rhoda BAILEY	Cheshire East Councilor

Areas of discussion

Subject	Parking on Sandbach Road, Rode Heath
	Ongoing problem of cars parking near to <u>Farams</u> Road. Customers visiting Bargain Booze are parking and causing obstructions to the junction. PCSO Steele aware and to monitor and issue FPN to obstructing vehicles.
Subject	Large amount of dumped vodka bottles, Mow Cop
	Empty bottles have been thrown over a wall and into local field. Has also happened close to the primary school. No details as to who is doing this. PCSO Steele will monitor and add the area to patrol plan.
Subject	ASB driving, Rode Heath
	3 cars are driving through and around the Rode Heath area in an anti-social manner. They are driving at speed, creating noise issues and causing a general nuisance to local residents. PCSO Steele is aware of the issue and has been on patrol to try and witness and speak to drivers.
Subject	Speeding issues, Astbury
	Speeding through the village of Astbury near to the village green. Speed enforcement has been/will continue to be done by PCSO Steele. Cheshire East are developing policy regarding placement of Speed Indication Device in the area.

Future dates for Cluster Meetings will be held on:

Thursday 4th April 2019 7pm. Location to be confirmed