



**CHURCH  
LAWTON**  
Parish Council

**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON  
WEDNESDAY 20<sup>th</sup> March 2019 AT CHURCH LAWTON MEMORIAL HALL**

**Present: Chair Roger Young; Vice-Chair Barbara Adams  
Councillors: John Atkins; Sue Owen; N Harper; A Fernihough  
Cheshire East Councillor, Rhoda Bailey**

**The meeting started at 7:30pm**

**18-19/184 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies have been received from Cllrs Vic Tarrant, Robert Fisher and Bill Banks.

**18-19/185 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

The members of the public present, who were potential candidates for election, introduced themselves. The councillors and clerk also offered their introductions.

**18-19/186 TO RECEIVE ANY DECLARATION OF INTERESTS REGARDING AGENDA ITEMS**

None

**18-19/187 TO APPROVE THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2019**

**Resolved:** The minutes of 20<sup>th</sup> February 2019 were approved as a correct record by all present.

**18-19/188 TO DISCUSS MATTERS ARISING FROM THE LAST MEETING OF 20<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY 2019**

**18-19/188/1 LEAFLET TO ADVERTISE FOR PROSPECTIVE COUNCILLORS – UPDATE FROM THE CLERK**

The Clerk informed the leaflet had been published and a letter drop completed with several subsequent residents showing interest in standing for councillor. A drop-in has been held at Lawton Memorial Hall and councillors who had attended this to speak to prospective candidates were thanked.

**18-19/188/2 WEBSITE AND EMAIL UPDATE**

The Clerk reported that the website development had been arranged.

**18-19/188/3 NOTICEBOARD REPLACEMENT**

The Clerk reported that the noticeboard order is now submitted. Cllr Fernihough offered help with offloading and storing the noticeboards once manufactured. The Clerk was authorised to forward a £3000 deposit.

**18-19/188/4 CIVIC SERVICE**

The date of the Civic Service, thought to be the 23<sup>rd</sup> June, needs confirming and 'save the date' letters issuing.

*Action: The Clerk*

**18-19/188/5 DATE OF NEXT COMMUNITY GROUP MEETING**

The Clerk reported that the date of the next Community Group meeting is currently unavailable and is still being arranged.

**18-19/188/6 TO NOTE ANY UPDATES ON THE BARROWS GROUP PROGRESS**

Cllr Harper updated that a site visit with WainHomes is being organised by Jane Smith, the chair of the Barrows Group.

**18-19/188/7 FLY POSTING ISSUES**

The Clerk was asked to pursue the current fly-posting issues.

*Action: The Clerk*

**18-19/189 TO RECEIVE CHESHIRE EAST MATTERS FROM CLLR RHODA BAILEY**

Cllr Bailey updated on Cheshire East issues:

- Cllr Bailey informed that residents had commented to her that double yellow lines should be placed by the new houses on the bend of Sandbach Road and asked the Council's view. It was noted that the houses are in Betchton. Cllr Bailey plans to ask for an assessment.
- A footpath at Sandbach Road in Lawton Heath End was discussed to get safely to Alsager. A resident had raised some ideas with Cllr Bailey. The Council agreed that any measures to improve safety were welcome.
- A footpath along Sandbach Road from the Horseshoe to Knutsford Road had also been raised with Cllr Bailey.
- It was noted that Odd Rode have received their money for their minibus and there is a plea for more drivers. A further round of funding would be available.
- Cheshire East special needs provision was explained.

**18-19/190 ARRANGEMENTS FOR THE 2019 ANNUAL PARISH MEETING**

The arrangements for the Annual Parish Meeting were discussed.

*Action: The Clerk to arrange speakers and confirm with the hall.*

**18-19/191 TO CONSIDER COSTS FOR PROJECTORS**

The Clerk informed that Cllr Banks had informed that he was investigating prices but that his advice was to pay for a quality projector which could potentially cost up to £1000. This would allow its use in multiple scenarios and increase the longevity.

*Action: The Clerk to obtain some quotes for review by the Council.*

**18-19/192 LAWTON MEMORIAL HALL TO RECEIVE FEEDBACK FROM THE MEETING OF THE 19<sup>TH</sup> MARCH, AND TO NOTE ANY ACTIONS REQUIRED. TO NOTE THE DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING AND AGREE REPRESENTATION.**

Cllr Harper had attended on behalf of the Council and updated the Council. The following issues were raised:

- The Memorial Hall are still attempting to resolve the land ownership issue in light of complaints regarding the trees.  
*Action: The Clerk to pursue ownership and maintenance of the trees.*
- The lighting in Liverpool Road West is still a major problem and it is very difficult to be able to see the entrance. The lights out also affects the Nursing Home.  
*Action: The Clerk to pursue.*
- The light in the bus stop is also out.  
*Action: The Clerk to pursue.*
- The next meeting is on Tuesday 23<sup>rd</sup> April. The Clerk agreed to attend on behalf of the Parish Council.

## **18-19/193 POLICE MATTERS**

### **18-19/193/1 TO RECEIVE FEBRUARY'S BEAT REPORT**

The Council noted receipt of the February beat report.

### **18-19/193/2 TO NOTE THE DATE OF THE NEXT CLUSTER MEETING**

Cllrs Young agreed to attend on behalf of the Parish Council.

### **18-19/193/3 TO NOTE THE DATE OF THE NEXT CLUSTER MEETING AND ATTENDANCE**

The date of the next cluster meeting is the 4<sup>th</sup> April 2019 and will be attended by Cllr Young.

### **18-19/193/4 OTHER POLICE MATTERS INCLUDING FEEDBACK FROM POLICE SURGERIES**

None

### **18-19/193/5 TO RECEIVE DETAILS OF COMPLAINTS FROM FACEBOOK REGARDING SPEEDING CONCERNS ON LIVERPOOL ROAD WEST AND TO AGREE ANY ACTIONS REQUIRED.**

The clerk informed of issues raised on Facebook concerning speeding on Liverpool Road West. It was agreed to discuss this with the PCSO and to encourage residents to contact the Parish Council directly. It was acknowledged that there is a problem. It was noted that Cheshire East seem to be discouraging the installation of SIDS.

*Action: Councillors to raise at the next cluster meeting.*

## **18-19/194 ENVIRONMENTAL PROJECTS**

### **18-19/194/1 CANAL AND RIVER TRUST**

To note that the Clerk is arranging a meeting with the Canal and River Trust.

### **18-19/194/2 QUOTES FOR PLANTERS**

The clerk is still awaiting the quotes

## **18-19/195 HIGHWAYS**

### **18-19/195/1 FOOTPATHS ON KNUTSFORD ROAD AND WHITE LINING ON THE ONE-WAY STREET.**

The work has not yet been completed.

*Action: The Clerk to pursue.*

### **18-19/195/2 TO NOTE THE WELCOME TO CHURCH LAWTON SIGN CONTINUING TO BE MISSING AT THE ENTRANCE TO THE WAIN HOMES SITE.**

The missing sign has still not been replaced.

*Action: The Clerk to raise with WainHomes.*

### **18-19/195/3 OVERGROWN HEDGES**

There has been no further action.

### **18-19/196 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE - TO NOTE THE DATE AND TIME OF THE NEXT MEETING.**

It was noted that a meeting is to discuss the way forward is to be organised, but it was felt that the new Council ought to be in place first.

### **18-19/197 PLANNING**

#### **18-19/197/1 TO RECEIVE AND CONSIDER NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS SINCE THE MEETING OF THE 9<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY 2019**

No new applications received.

#### **18-19/197/2 UPDATE ON OUTSTANDING PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

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

### **18-19/198 CONTRACTS**

#### **18-19/198/1 MR DOUG SMITH – CONTRACTED AS PARISH HANDYMAN**

Mr Doug Smith has confirmed that he will not be increasing his hourly rate for 2019/20. The Council resolved to continue to use his services without the need for further quotes.

### **18-19/199 GRANT APPLICATION.**

The Council reviewed the grant application received from the Lawton Memorial Hall Committee and resolved to award the £2000 precepted.

### **18-19/200 FINANCIAL REGULATIONS**

The Council resolved to approve the financial regulations dated March 2018. It was further agreed that both Standing Orders and Financial regulations be ratified by the new Council in May.

### **18-19/201 FINANCE**

#### **18-19/201/1 TO APPROVE RECEIPTS – JANUARY 2018**

It was **resolved** to approve the receipts for January.

#### **18-19/201/2 TO APPROVE PAYMENTS REQUIRED SINCE THE MEETING OF 20<sup>TH</sup> FEBRUARY**

The list of payments presented by the Clerk was approved. (Appendix 1)

### **18-19/202 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

None.

### **18-19/203 TRAINING/MEETINGS ATTENDED NOT REPORTED ELSEWHERE**

Cllr Owen reported on her attendance at the Town and Parish Conference in March. Slides from the conference have been circulated.

### **18-19/204 MEMBERS MATTERS**

None raised

**18-19/205 FUTURE AGENDA ITEMS**

- Walking Maps of Church Lawton.

*The meeting concluded at 21:15*

**To agree Date of the Next Meeting: Wednesday 15<sup>th</sup> April 2019, at 7:30pm**

## Church Lawton Parish Council – Payments March 20<sup>th</sup> 2019

Church Lawton Parish Council

Payments

From 1 Mar 2019 to 31 Mar 2019

Date	Reference	Details	Gross	VAT	Net
20/03/19	PAY 000056	Doug Smith - Parish Handyman contract	622.88		622.88 Bank: Current a/c
20/03/19	PAY 000057	Lawton Memorial Hall - Inv 290 Barrows	23.25	0.00	23.25 Bank: Current a/c
20/03/19	PAY 000058	Lawton Memorial Hall - Inv 187 - Hall hi	93.00	0.00	93.00 Bank: Current a/c
20/03/19	PAY 000059	Sandtony	46.80	7.80	39.00 Bank: Current a/c
20/03/19	PAY 000060	Sandtony - election advert	92.70	15.45	77.25 Bank: Current a/c
20/03/19	PAY 000061	Clerk -Purchases for the Parish	104.29		104.29 Bank: Current a/c
20/03/19	PAY 000062	Netwise	1,029.00	0.00	1,029.00 Bank: Current a/c
Totals			<u>2,011.92</u>	<u>23.25</u>	<u>1,988.67</u>
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