

CREWE GREEN PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES

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Minutes of the bi monthly Parish Council meeting held at Crewe Hall, Weston Road, Crewe on
Monday 18 September 2017 at 7.00 pm

Paul A I Barton Clerk

Present

Cllr D Lewis(Chair) Cllr A Lewis Cllr Twiss MVO Cllr Marren
Cllr T Long Cllr N Haddock

Apologies

Cllr Hammond and Cllr Spruce

Requests for Dispensations

There were no requests for dispensations.

Declarations of Interest

There were no declarations of interest.

16/17 Minutes

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 17 July 2017 were approved and signed by Cllr D Lewis as a true record.

17/17 Matters Arising

The Chair expressed disappointment that the website had not yet been updated. The Clerk agreed that it was an urgent matter as it is important for the Council to meet its transparency obligations but advised that it had been necessary to spend available time in getting other records up to date and organised.

18/17 Public Participation:

There were no members of the public present.

19/17 Planning Matters

Planning Decisions

17/3325N Fir Tree Cottage, Narrow Lane CW1 5UN. Listed building consent to install an extractor fan. Members had previously considered this matter which was approved by CEC Planning with conditions in August.

Planning Withdrawals

There were no planning withdrawals

Planning Applications

Cllr Spruce was unable to attend the meeting to report on Planning matters.

17/3882N. Variation of conditions 6, 29 & 31 on application 17/0341N for construction of 5 steel framed units to be part of a commercial development Location: LAND OFF UNIVERSITY WAY, CREWE, CHESHIRE. Members agreed to stand by the original conditions and requested the Clerk to register an Objection to the planning request.

17/4448N Retrospective planning application to retain front boundary wall. BANK HOUSE FARM, SLAUGHTER HILL, CREWE, CHESHIRE, CW1 5UW. Members considered the application and raised no objections but noted that they do not approve of retrospective applications

20/17 Report from Cheshire Police

Cllr A Lewis provided a brief update from PC Cummings advising that in the last month there had been little to report other than two minor road traffic collisions and three traffic incidents.

21/17 Chairman's report

The Chair commented on the condition of the flagpole outside St Michaels Church. Cllr Twiss advised the meeting that it was becoming hidden by the trees. Saville's as Agents of the Duchy had been advised. Options discussed were to prune the trees which would need to be sensitively carried out as there were likely to be TPO's on them or consider moving the pole. It was noted that previously the pole had been inside the Church grounds. Whilst not often used it was noted that the Duchy flag flies on 'Official' days. Discussion followed on hedgerows with Cllr Twiss confirming that the hedge outside Greenacres has now been cut.

22/17 Clerks report

The Clerks report that had previously been circulated was considered with the Clerk reporting on

- the current banking situation
- Shires payroll situation
- Clerks contract. This matter was discussed under confidential matters

23/17 Correspondence

- Details of resident complaint to CEC - Complaint ref 1407633 regarding speed limit on Butterton Lane was considered. Cllr Marren advised that Highways had allocated funds in order to carry out an assessment.
- Consideration was given to a Parishioners comments on a possible development of land in the Parish. Members agreed that as no application had been submitted they were not in a position to comment.
- Members felt they had no relevant input to the Police & Crime Commissioner but requested that the Parish Council be kept informed.

24/17 Financial matters

Authorisation confirmed to cancel STO to Mrs G Hawthornthwaite

Clerk confirmed following negotiations with the existing underwriter a reduction in the annual premium was achieved in the sum of £57.41. Payment of annual premium approved

N.B. No payment has yet been made to the new Clerk until the situation with HMRC is clarified. The Clerk's Contract of employment was discussed as a private matter with the Chairman confirming that clarification of details will be sought from ChALC

Clerk requested to investigate alternative banking facilities with internet capabilities as the existing bank does not meet current or future needs.

Members approved the Bank balance and schedule of payments as below.

PAYE	DESCRIPTION	CHEQUE No.	AMOUNT £
Came & Co	Parish Insurance (Cancelled cheque)	000666	£337.41
Came & Co	Parish Insurance	000667	£280.00
Shire Payroll Services	Payroll Administration (2 nd quarter)	000665	£25.50

25/17 Report on Crewe Town centre development

Cllr Long reported on the meeting held by Crewe Town Council on the development of Crewe town centre

26/17 Report from Cheshire East Councillors

Cllr Marren provided a briefing on various matters to Members:

- The legal challenge that CEC has received to its clean air development policy would be robustly defended.
- Members were informed that free swimming sessions would be extended to the end of September to encourage exercise.
- That CEC is planning to introduce food waste composting to its collection service with investment in dedicated composting facilities covering food waste as well as garden waste.
- CEC will be re visiting its low flood assessment.

27/17 Councillor Matters

There remains a vacancy on Crewe Green Parish Council. This vacancy should be publicised with a view to appointing an additional Councillor.

28/17 Date of next meeting

Next meeting of The Parish Council to take place on 20 November 2017 at 7pm at Crewe Hall

The meeting closed at 9.15pm