

## 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 19 March 2018 at 7.00 pm

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### Clerk

#### **Present**

Cllr D Lewis (Chair),  
Cllr N Haddock , Cllr R Spruce

#### **Apologies**

Cllr A Lewis, Cllr Long, Cllr Marren and Cllr Hammond

There was one minutes silence as a mark of respect following the recent passing of  
Cllr Gerald Twiss MVO

#### **Requests for Dispensations**

There were no requests for dispensations.

#### **Declarations of Interest**

There were no declarations of interest.

#### **Councillor Vacancies**

#### **54/17 Minutes**

The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 15 January 2018 were approved and signed by Cllr D Lewis as a true record.

#### **55/17 Matters Arising**

There were no matters arising.

#### **56/17 Public Participation:**

There was one member of the public present who raised concerns over the land development being considered by Aldi to build a store to replace the existing store at Grand Junction retail park. The Chairman advised that the Council would take cognisance of the comments whilst awaiting any further comments from Parishioners. It will consider its position as and when a formal planning application was submitted at which time the Parish Council would be asked for its comments to the application.

#### **57/17 Planning Matters**

##### **Planning Decisions**

**17/6164N** The Smithy Crewe Hall Farm. Change of Use from B1 to Small Animal Veterinary Surgery in addition to retaining existing Veterinary Referral use. Previously circulated and approved by all Members with a 'support' recommendation Approved with conditions 29/1/2018

**17/5427N** Bluebell Cottage Narrow Lane Retrospective listed building consent to remove and replace windows and to insert a flue liner and chimney. Approved with conditions 14/2/2018

**17/4904N** The Dairy, Crewe Hall Farm, Old Park Road, Crewe Green, CW1 5UE. Listed building consent for the installation of new internal doors and stud partitions to form cellular office space. Approved with conditions 15/2/2018

## **Planning Withdrawals**

There were no planning withdrawals

## **Planning Applications**

**18/0915N** AGRICULTURAL LAND WEST OF, Monneley Farm, BARTHOMLEY ROAD, BARTHOMLEY  
Erection of a wooden 'stable' shed on agricultural land. The shed has no foundations, is on skids and is not connected to water or electricity mains. It has a small wood burning stove for heating and making hot drinks. Members considered this application and recorded 'No comments'.

## **58/17 Report from Cheshire Police.**

There was nothing reported from Cheshire Constabulary.

## **59/17 Chairman's report**

- Cllr D Lewis reported on the passing and funeral of Cllr Twiss and wished to put on record the Parish Council condolences to his family and of the great loss of his knowledge and support to the Parish Council over many years.
- As a result of the passing of Cllr Twiss Cllr Lewis recorded that there were now two vacancies on the Parish Council. The positions were being advertised and consideration was being given to co opt Members if no applications came forth.
- Cllr Lewis felt that consideration should be given to encourage voluntary litter pickers within the Parish to try and overcome the ongoing problem of litter on all roads within the Parish. Consideration to be given to the provision of black sacks, gloves and pickers.

## **60/17 Clerks report**

The Clerk reported that an application had been submitted on line direct to Nat West Bank and was awaiting a response. In view of this it was decided to hold back on changes of signatory with Yorkshire Bank until further notice. The Clerk reported that various information/assistance communications concerning the forthcoming changes on GDPR had been received and circulated to members (see correspondence item 62/17)

## **61/17 Town and Parish Council Conference**

Cllr Spruce provided a brief verbal report on his attendance at the recent Town and Parish Council conference, advising that with so many key personnel unavailable there was limited directional leadership on local development and the impact/spending of CIL (Community Infrastructure Levy).

## **62/17 Correspondence**

- Consideration was given to the written comments received from a local resident concerning the proposed Aldi at Crewe Green roundabout. Members felt that they were not in a position to make any comments until a formal planning application was submitted after which local public views could be considered
- The Council agreed that it should order a copy of the latest Electoral Register from CEC
- Cheshire East's draft Sustainable Modes of Travel to Schools (SMOTS) strategy was considered having previously been circulated to members
- Members considered recent correspondence concerning the impact of the revised Data protection rules (GDPR).
- Members were advised of a letter of thanks from St Michaels Church for the donation to the cemetery upkeep which included condolences for the loss of Cllr Twiss.
- Members considered the recent CEC bus review previously circulated to members

## **63/17 Financial matters**

- Members **resolved** to approve the Bank statement balance and schedule of payments as below.
- Members **resolved** to authorise expenditure on renovation of Memorial plaque at St Michaels Church
- Members were advised that Scottish Power had still not collected direct debit funds from the Council for the last two quarters for the street lighting.
- Members agreed not to submit a revised authorised signatory mandate to Yorkshire Bank, pending the result of the ongoing application to Nat West Bank

PAYEE	DESCRIPTION	CHEQUE No.		CHQ AMOUNT £
PAIB	Printer cartridges	000686	£47.44	
	Postage		£3.90	
	Copier paper		£7.98	
	Clerk admin exps Feb 2018		£80.00	£139.32
	Clerk admin exps Mar 2018	000687		£80.00
Crewe Hall	Room hire 15/3/18	000684		£20.40
Shire Pay Services	Payroll services	000685		£65.00
HMRC	PAYE	000683		£156.40
PAIB	Purchase of laptop + support software	000681		tba

### 64/17 Report from Cheshire East Councillors

No CEC Members were available at the meeting, however, in his absence Cllr Marren circulated a 9 page report covering:

- Slaughter Hill Haslington where CEC are unable to reinstate new netting
- Minor Works programme which included a funding query concerning the proposed two lane approach to Crewe Green Roundabout.
- Local Council Public Advisory Service where the Committee on Standards in Public Life is undertaking a comprehensive review. Further information, submission guidelines, and consultation questions can be found in the consultation document. <https://www.gov.uk/government/consultations/local-government-ethical-standards-stakeholder-consultation>
- A report on the CEC Housing Land supply and its Local Plan Strategy adopted in 2017 which supports jobs growth to 2030 and 36,000 additional homes.
- Education Travel Policies whereby CEC Cabinet considered a raft of proposals to reduce travel costs which are scheduled to come into place on 1 September 2018
- The Police investigation by Titan into procurement activity commenced in December 2015 was reported to be progressing well.
- It was reported that CEC Highways service currently manages and maintains over 2,670kms of carriageway, 40,000 street lights and over 1,400 bridges and that the authority is working flat out to deal with an increasing number of road defects. Additional resource is being directed. Members of the public are reminded that they can report any issues directly to CEC via the online reporting tool at: [www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/highways](http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/highways) or by calling 0300 123 5020.
- Council tax will be increased to 5.99 per cent.
- A £2m community fund will be established to help decide where money from the new homes bonus is spent.
- The proposal to end £1 parking ticket refund at Snowhill, Nantwich and Crewe leisure centre will be removed.
- Mutually Agreed Resignation Scheme will go ahead.
- That a further £150,000 be put into the Highways revenue budget, mitigated by a reduction in the contribution to the financing reserve.
- That a further £2million be added to the highways capital budget funded from the strategic capital projects budget.
- Crewe Green Roundabout development is under way and is scheduled to take 9 months to complete. The CEC website will be updated on progress. [www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/highways\\_and\\_roadworks/major-projects/crewe-green-roundabout/crewe-green-roundabout.aspx](http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/highways_and_roadworks/major-projects/crewe-green-roundabout/crewe-green-roundabout.aspx)
- Progress report on the planned redevelopment of Crewe Market Hall.
- Brief updates were provided on the CEC SMOTS strategy, evening bus services, the Youth Parliament elections, decision not to secure a stage of the Tour of Britain 2018 and an open invitation to submit articles for inclusion in the [Connected Communities newsletter](#)

**65/17 Councillor Matters**

There were no Cllr matters raised.

**66/17 Date of next meeting**

The next meeting of The Parish Council is the Annual Parish Meeting and AGM to take place on 21<sup>st</sup> May 2018 at 7pm at Crewe Hall

The meeting closed at 8.45pm

Members approved these Minutes as a true record of the Meeting held 19 March 2018  
Signed by the Chairman 21 May 2018.