

CREWE GREEN PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Meeting of Crewe Green Parish Council held at Crewe Hall, Weston Road, Crewe on Monday 28th September 2015 at 7.00 pm

PRESENT: Councillors Don Rickard (Chairman), Anne Rickard, Roy Spruce, Gerald Twiss, Trevor Long
Councillor John Hammond (Cheshire East Councillor)
Gaynor Hawthornthwaite (Clerk)

IN ATTENDANCE: PC Nick Moore

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cheshire East Councillor David Marren and Councillor David Lewis.

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST

No interests were declared.

3. APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIR

Councillor Trevor Long was nominated as Vice-Chairman, which was unanimously agreed. Councillor Long accepted the position of Vice-Chairman.

4. REPORT FROM CHESHIRE CONSTABULARY

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PC Moore reported the crime and Anti Social Behaviour for July and August 2015 as follows:

July

There was one crime incident and two anti-social behaviour incidents in Crewe Green.

August

There were no crime incidents and one anti-social behaviour incident in Crewe Green.

PC Moore reported that a replacement PCSO has been identified to cover Haslington. He is currently undergoing 5 weeks training at Headquarters and will be in post in the next few weeks.

5. PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN FORUM

No members of the public were present.

6. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 27TH JULY 2015

Members considered the minutes of a meeting held on 27th July 2015.

RESOLVED/- That the minutes of the meetings held on 27th July 2015 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

7. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON 27TH JULY 2015

Derek Wildman has agreed to complete the 2015/16 internal audit again for Crewe Green PC.

8. PARISH COUNCILLOR VACANCY

A Crewe Green resident has expressed an interest in being co-opted onto the Parish Council and is to be invited to attend the next meeting in November.

9. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman reported that he and Councillor Anne Rickard had attended the Local Plan Strategy Engagement event held on 3rd August at Macclesfield Town Hall. The format of the meeting wasn't particularly useful and questions as to whether the responses to the inspector's comments would be found to be satisfactory (to him) was clearly outside the competence of those present

10. REPORT FROM CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLOR

Councillor Hammond reported on the following:

- Local Plan Examination Meetings – There is a CEC Portfolio Holder meeting scheduled for 24th September to outline progress made so far on site selection. The hearings are to resume in October and the Inspector now has a programme in place to consider the Local Plan Strategy up to the adoption of the Local Plan, in late 2016.
- An extensive maintenance programme is planned for the B5077. The work will include Narrow Lane to the West but will extend along the B5077 through Oakhanger through to Radway Green and will consist of:
 - Gully emptying

- Drainage investigations
- Sign cleaning and maintenance
- Verges & Hedges
- White lining where required
- Street light maintenance
- Isolated patching to the carriageway where required
- Liaison with ANSA to sweep and litter pick as required

The phases of work will be carried out between the 7th and 28th October and the order of the work is yet to be confirmed. The road closure on the B5077 is until 6 November with the work on the Oakhanger to Crewe Green stretch being from 3-6 November.

Any other work identified by the Parish Council, for consideration, to be forwarded to the Clerk.

11. PARISH COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Councillor Twiss has been following up roadside hedges that are overgrown. Letters have been sent to a resident on Crewe Green Road and a resident on Narrow Lane asking for them to be cut back.

12. CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

Correspondence received since the previous meeting in July, which had been circulated and noted, as follows:

From CEC

- Neighbourhood Plan Proposal - Sandbach Neighbourhood Plan – Closing Date for comments - 2nd November
- Proposed Plans Submitted - Audlem Neighbourhood Plan and Brereton Neighbourhood Plan – Closing Date for comments – 21st September
- Consultation: Integrated Lifestyle and Wellness Support System

From CEC – Councillor John Hammond

- PARISH COUNCIL LIAISON MEETING- CREWE GREEN LINK ROAD EXTENSION - Morgan Sindall are holding another Liaison Meeting including a site visit on 15 October from 11 am to 1.00pm. Councillor Long is to attend this meeting
- CVS Cheshire East's E-Bulletin - 28th August 2015
- VRDS DISABILITY NEWSLETTER
- Events for August 2015 from Cheshire East Council Countryside Ranger Service

From Chalc

- **Planning Seminar** 20th October at Sandbach Town Hall
Location: Sandbach Town Hall, High Street, Sandbach, Cw11 1AX
Date/Time: Tuesday 20th October – 9.30 – 3.30 (buffet lunch included)
Cost: Members - £25.00 pp
 Councillor Long is to attend this conference.
- **Annual General Meeting – 29th October**
 Councillor Don Rickard is to attend.

13. FINANCIAL MATTERS

The following cheques were approved and signed for:

- Clerk's Expenses – September Room Booking at Crewe Hall for PC Meeting – Mrs G Hawthornthwaite - £30.60
- As the Parish Council insurance renewal was due before this meeting, it was agreed that a cheque could be signed outside of the meeting - Parish Council Insurance Renewal for 2015/2016 – Came and Company - £326.29

The Clerk reported that the Second Instalment Parish Precept from Cheshire East Council of £1500 was received on 27th August 2015.

External Auditor Report

The **external auditor** stated the recommendation of the **internal auditor** that VAT repayment forms should be completed on an annual basis to improve the financial systems of the council as soon as possible or in any event before the end of the current financial year. This had been implemented

14. PLANNING MATTERS

Applications 15/2007N LAND OFF BESWICK DRIVE, CREWE, CHESHIRE CW1 5NP

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The PC had submitted the same comments on both applications, but the comments had only been included in the planning report for application 15/2008N.

RESOLVED/- Clerk to re-send the comments on application 15/2007N to CEC Planning

Neighbourhood Plans

As Tom Evans from CEC Planning was unable to attend the meeting this evening, it was agreed that he should be invited to attend the next PC meeting in November.

Councillor John Cornell from Weston and Basford Parish Council is to be invited to attend a PC meeting in November or January 2016 to talk about Neighbourhood Plans.

RESOLVED/- Clerk to invite Tom Evans and Councillor Cornell to a PC meeting.

15. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

There were no matters arising.

16. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next parish council meeting is to be held on **Monday 23rd November 2015 at 7.00 pm.**

The meeting closed at 7.55 pm

Signed Date

THESE MINUTES REMAIN UNRATIFIED UNTIL SIGNED AS CORRECT AT THE NEXT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING