

Minutes of a Meeting of Crewe Green Parish Council held at Crewe Hall, Weston Road, Crewe on Monday 16th January 2017 at 7.00 pm

PRESENT: Councillors Don Rickard (Chairman), Alex Lewis, David Marren, Anne Rickard, Gerald Twiss
Gaynor Hawthornthwaite (Clerk)

IN ATTENDANCE: Mr Rob Welch, Design Team Leader, Cheshire East Council

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cheshire East Councillor John Hammond and Parish Councillors Roy Spruce, David Lewis and PC Kerrie Cummings and PCSO Scott Watson.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest.

Welcome to Rob Welch

Rob Welch, Design Team Leader, Cheshire East Council had been invited to the meeting to provide the PC with information about traffic issues on Slaughter Hill and Narrow Lane and was welcomed to the meeting.

The PC was informed of ongoing dialogue with residents at Slaughter Hill regarding vehicular conflict involving buses and large vehicles. A trial 7.2T restriction is the main proposal. The PC strongly objected to this and after Rob left the Chairman was asked to draft a formal detailed response to circulate to Councillors before submission.

Action – Chairman to draft a response and circulate to all PC members before submitting to Rob Welch.

3. REPORTS FROM CHESHIRE CONSTABULARY

As PC Kerrie Cummings and PCSO Scott Watson were unable to attend the meeting a report had been provided on the Crime and Anti-Social Behaviour for September as follows:

Crime

1 assault

1 theft from a motor vehicle

Anti-Social Behaviour

There were no incidents

4. PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN FORUM

No members of the public were present.

5. APPROVAL OF MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON 19th SEPTEMBER 2016

Members considered the minutes of a meeting held on 19th September 2016.

RESOLVED/- That the minutes of the meeting held on 19th September 2016 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MEETING HELD ON 19TH SEPTEMBER 2016

There were no matters arising.

7. CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman reported on a request that had been received from the church relating to contingency plans for a book of condolence. The Chairman asked if this could be followed up with the Cheshire Association of Local Councils.

Action – Clerk to follow up with Chalc.

All other matters arising to be covered in the agenda.

8. REPORT FROM CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLORS

Councillor Marren provided the following report:

Nominated Neighbour Scheme

The aim of this scheme is to protect vulnerable people from bogus or other unwanted callers. It consists of a card with details of a neighbour's telephone number displayed (by mutual agreement) enabling the neighbour to vet the caller and accompany the visitor then or at a later date if this was deemed necessary.

Further information on your rights as a consumer or if you require further resident's cards for the scheme please contact Consumer Direct on 03454 04 05 06 or a Parish Councillor. Documentation would be obtained by the PC Clerk for distribution to Parish Councillors (with some spares) for the parish notice board and also for the church. Parish Councillors would identify any such vulnerable persons and arrange to advise.

Highways

Below is this week's update giving an overview of works and topical issues within the Crewe Area Highways Group at the present time.

Out of Hours Emergencies

The out of hours' telephone number available to all other service users for emergency contact is 0300 123 5020.

Routine Works

- Old Park Road Crewe repair carriageway potholes near junction Slaughter Hill

RE: Bus stop relocation – Slaughter Hill / Crewe Road, Haslington

Cheshire East Council intends to relocate the southbound bus-stop at the top of Slaughter Hill to a new location on Crewe Road, immediately west of Rhodes Close. It is anticipated that this will reduce traffic congestion issues caused by buses at the existing location.

The proposed works will include installation of a bus-shelter with flag and timetable, this is scheduled to be undertaken on 10th & 11th January 2017.

Additional works to install raised kerbs and standard road markings will be completed at a later date, to be notified.

HIGHWAY DRAINAGE

Programmed Gully Emptying

Details of this year's gully emptying schedules, together with clear and cleanse programmes, can be found by clicking on the following link http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk/highways_and_roads/highway-services/gullies-and-drains/gullies-and-drains.aspx

Whilst working in an area, any gullies that are identified as requiring further jetting works will be identified with a red tag at the time of jetting. The crew will then endeavour to re-visit and resolve the issue before they leave the area. In the event that they are unable to do so, then this information will be fed back into the system and will be included for future works.

Cheshire East Budget Consultation

Comments on this document are welcome until 10th January 2017.

You can also send any comments, queries or other responses, such as alternative areas for savings, to the email address below - all responses will be captured and reported to Cabinet Members and Council. When submitting a response or comment, please also include your name, organisation (if applicable) and contact details.

If you have any comments or queries, please e-mail: shapingourservices@cheshireeast.gov.uk

After this date, interested parties may still submit comments on the budget up to the Council meeting on **Thursday, 23rd February 2017** where the Budget is considered by all Members.

Proposed merger between Wulvern Housing and Guinness Partnership

be endorsed following reassurances that:

- Guinness are taking over all assets and liabilities by way of a Transfer of Engagement from Wulvern;
- a clear client management relationship can be achieved; and
- there continues to be representation on the Board to represent the interests of the Cheshire area.

Authority be delegated to the Executive Director Place in consultation with the Portfolio Holder for Housing and Planning and the Director of Legal Services and Monitoring Officer for any resulting action and to agree a set of service standards with Guinness in order to establish an effective monitoring arrangement.

Partnership Newsletter

Articles of a maximum of no more than 200 words, along with photographs or logos to be sent by 13th January 2016. Please note that due to the number of articles sent in they cannot guarantee to include every story. Where they are not time sensitive they will try to keep them for the next edition of the newsletter. Our newsletter usually features the following:

- Stories on projects which have either been completed in partnership, require partnership input or maybe need help with funding

- Consultations which you wish to share with a wider audience
- Events and conferences which you wish to promote
- Posters for download in our 'For your notice board section'
- Anything else which you wish to share with our wide and diverse partnership

You can add details of your activities and events very quickly and easily on the [Council's What's On Guide](#), [Information Cheshire East](#) and [Visit Cheshire](#) sites –

As this is an electronic newsletter please supply web addresses as additional information can be provided via hyperlinks.

The mailing list now includes around 2000 email addresses and a great number of organisations forward the newsletter on to their own mailing lists [and add to their websites](#), which means your stories are being read by a huge audience!

Distribution Date	Request for Information Date	Deadline for Information Date
End of January	12th December	13th January
End of March	13th February	17th March
End of May	10th April	12th May
End of July	12th June	14th July
End of September	14th August	15th September
End of November	16th October	17th November

Bus User Survey

Starting on the 14th January 2017, a specialist company will be conducting passenger surveys on those local bus routes that are funded by Cheshire East Council. The purpose of the surveys is to assess how services are used by local residents. Surveyors will be asking passengers for a few simple details about their journeys. The surveys are anonymous and no names/addresses are requested. There will be no disruption to people's travel.

The survey programme will run for several weeks and will cover all bus routes funded by the Council. Should you be asked about these surveys; they are part of the Council's approach to ensuring that the services we provide meet the needs of residents as far as possible. A report on the survey findings will be made available in May 2017.

Local Highways Survey

A Highways Survey Questionnaire had been designed to provide feedback to the Authority on its performance and as an aid to establishing priorities for the coming financial year. The PC requested the Chairman to complete this on its behalf.

Holocaust Memorial Day

Annual Holocaust Memorial Day Service will be held at Sandbach Town Hall on Friday 27 January, starting at 11.00am.

Invitations have been extended to Town and Parish Councils, local schools and church groups. The event is publicised on the Holocaust Memorial Trust website.

9. PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Councillor Twiss reported that he had attended a defibrillator demonstration evening at the Cosey Club. The PC had made a donation of £200 towards the defibrillator.

10. CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

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

From CEC

- Consultation on Household Waste Recycling Centre provision
- Email on behalf of Cllr Ainsley Arnold, Portfolio Holder for Planning and Housing re. Progress of the Cheshire East Local Plan Strategy
- You Decide- Participatory Budgeting (PB)
- Equality Objectives Consultation – Closing date 16th January
- Local Highways Services See Above **From CEC – Councillors Hammond and Marren**
- CVS Training News
- VRDS DISABILITY NEWSLETTER
- Ministerial Statement on Neighbourhood Planning

- Email to all Councillors regarding bus surveys (starts on 14th January)
- Health watch Cheshire East - e-Bulletin January 2016

Chalc

- Parish Conference 23rd January
- Post Office Consultation
- Bulletins and Newsletter

Cheshire Police

- Cheshire Police: Police & Crime Commissioner urges the public to join the conversation

11. FINANCIAL MATTERS

2017/18 Budget and Precept

The PC considered the proposed budget for 2017/18 and agreed that the precept for 2017/18 should remain at £3000.

RESOLVED/- Clerk to complete the 2017/18 Parish Council Precept form and return to CEC

The Clerk reported on the following:

- Following the PC's Transparency Funding application to Chalc, funding of £1224.00 for the new website platform was received on 5th October 2016.
- Following the PC's approval to contribute £100 towards the Local Plan Examination costs, in January 2016, cheque number 646 was unrepresented as the costs were less than estimated. A revised cheque for £35.72 was, therefore, signed outside of the meeting on 28th October 2016.

The following cheques were approved:

Remembrance Day Wreath – St Michael & All Angels Church PCC	£17.50
Electricity Bill – Street Lighting Charges from 30.09.16 to 31.12.16 - Scottish Power	£113.53
Payment of January 2017 Room Booking for PC Meeting (£30.60) & Book of 6 first class stamps (£3.84) & book of 12 second class stamps (£6.60) totalling £10.44 – Mrs G Hawthornthwaite	£41.04

12. PLANNING MATTERS

17/0126N - 1, Stonen Barns, SLAUGHTER HILL, CREWE GREEN, CREWE, CW1 5UW: Insertion of two new windows at rear of property. Installation of a log burner with an external flue
There were no comments from the PC.

13. MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION

New PC Website

The new Crewe Green Parish Council website is now up and running. Training is to be arranged with the Clerk so that agendas and minutes can be downloaded onto the website.

14. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting to be held is on **Monday 20th March 2017 at 7.00 pm**

The meeting closed at 8.35 pm

Signed Date

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