



**PLUMLEY WITH TOFT & BEXTON
PARISH COUNCIL**

21st July 2015

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL
WEDNESDAY, 8th July 2015 at 7.30 pm Plumley Village Hall**

Present Cllrs C Wilson (chair of the meeting) D Nichols J Wright A Shaw S Crossman H Lawton.

Public Forum: Was attended by two residents who advised that shrubs that were originally planted to hide the gas exchange adjacent to 20 Malt Kiln Road had grown to such an extent that there was now interference to overhanging BT lines effecting broadband connection as well as visibility to signage. This issue had been communicated to both the utility company and Cheshire East Council. Debate followed with regards to responsibility without conclusion. The residents were requested to forward details and photos eluded to in the meeting to the clerk who would write on their behalf to Cheshire East Council Highways.

Action: Clerk to write to Cheshire East highways upon receipt of details

Police Surgery : PCSO Lindsey Whitehead advised that she was unable to provide a report due to technical issues related to alignment of services

1. To receive and accept apologies for absence from those members unable to attend.

Apologies were received from Cllrs Gabbot, Coates, James and Wharf

2. Declarations of interest

Cllr Crossman declared an interest in Plumley village Hall and Cheshire Community Action - both positions are in an unpaid non pecuniary capacity

3. Minutes - To approve & sign the Minutes of the meeting on the 10th June 2015

Proposal to approve the minutes was made by Cllr Wright and seconded by Cllr Crossman

4. Cheshire East Council Matters: To receive a report on Cheshire East Council Matters.

Cllr Walton reported that he had recently attended a Highways presentation and advised that if required could also arrange a presentation for surrounding parishes, agreed that this would be welcomed subject to timing etc

The sign reported to have been damaged and placed behind the Golden Pheasant would be put back up shortly

Advised that due to cut backs the rural verges will only be cut once a year.

5. Cheshire East Liaison position of responsibility -

Following debate the Council could not agree on the need for this position and agreed to defer it for a future meeting .

6. To vote on the co option of Mr J Beever to the vacant Councillor position at Toft

Toft resident Mr J Beever attended the meeting having previously written to express an interest in the vacant Councillor position at Toft. Mr Beever outlined his reasons for wishing to become a Councillor and following questions from councilors was duly elected to the position by a unanimous vote. Mr Beever signed, as required, his declaration of acceptance and received the declaration of interest form for completion.

7. Clerks Report – To receive correspondence and to take decisions on items specified in Appendix 7/15 attached

Correspondence

Item 5.1M CSORP / OPRA letter to Cllr Nichols – Cllr Nichols advised of receipt of letter and advised of some concerns. Cllr Nichols stated that he would personally respond to the letter and inform the council of any developments.

Item 5.1Q E-mail from Charlotte Rendell re advert on the website.- Councillors considered the request, following the debate it was felt that the current website which is due for renewal / update does not lend itself for advertising and proposed to review the situation when this was completed.

Action – Clerk to advise Charlotte Rendell of the position

Item 5.1S - 15/2523M 2, HOLFORD COTTAGES, CHESTER ROAD, PLUMLEY, CHESHIRE – see minute item 8.2

8. Financial Payments - To approve payments in Appendix 7/15 attached. Includes: Salaries & expenses.

Opening balances / current financial position as reported were approved

Payments - All payments approved with the exception of -

- The mid Cheshire Rail Users Association membership which was amended to £14.00 from £18.00
- David Warburton Ltd – Payment for notice board was approved but cheque only to be released following confirmation of re installment by Cllr James .

9. To receive any comments and reports by Councilors concerning transport, planning, footpaths, highways, Village Hall, Parish Plan, Community Pride, Community Resilience, Home watch

9.1 Planning application 15/2607M Windmill Wood Ollerton

The Council Agreed to enter an objection on the grounds of inappropriate development of the greenbelt

9.2 Planning application 15/2666M SILVERDALE, TROUTHALL LANE, PLUMLEY,

The Council agreed that there are no grounds for objection

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The Council agreed – not to object but request conditions be included to allow the garage building to only be used by occupants of the house.

9.3 Plumley Tennis Courts funding

Request for support for maintenance treatments of the courts (3 per annum @£125 each)

The clerk stated that there was a budget allowance of £400 per annum to support Plumley

Village Hall, Cllr Lawton proposed that the Parish Council allocates £250 from this budget as a contribution towards the maintenance. **The Council agreed to the proposal**

Action: Clerk to contact Plumley Village Hall to confirm payments

9.4 Housing needs survey date

It was previously agreed that to provide the best opportunity for residents to contribute towards the Housing Needs Survey it would need to be undertaken outside of the holiday period. The process has been established as a 4 week survey period followed by approximately 4 weeks for collation.. It was proposed that the survey should be started in mid-September 2015 with details of the survey being promoted in the August / September newsletter as well as information being published on the website and the notice boards.

Action: It was agreed that the clerk would advise Cheshire Community Action of the proposed launch date and action the promotion as outlined.

9.5 Christmas tree socket Cllr James.

Cllr James had provided apologies for the meeting . Cllrs confirmed their support for the project and commented that they felt that it would need to include a Christmas tree rather than utilizing an existing tree.

9.6 Notice Boards upgrade

The clerk advised that he had received notice from Cllr James that the expected completion and installation of the boards would be done by week ending the 17th July

9.7 Moorcroft Play Area

The clerk advised that there had been communication with Cheshire East Council about the condition of the play area and a response had been received stating that an assessment of the condition of the equipment would shortly be undertaken and any elements considered to be dangerous would be removed or repaired.

The future development of the play area required a small residents group to work with the Parish Council and Cheshire East Council to determine what improvements needed to take place utilizing the Section 106 funding that was available.(£24,000)

Cllr Crossman confirmed that she would lead on this and draw together residents to engage with Cheshire East Council to help develop the scheme.

Action: Clerk to generate article for the newsletter and website requesting involvement from residents – Title of project to be Plumley Play Area

9.8 General Highways - comment was made about general highways issue.

- Signpost at Malt Kiln Road should advise of roundabout ahead
- Pinfold Lane / Back Lane sign covered or missing and line of sight poor due to hedging
- Overall issue on the maintenance of verges

Action Clerk to contact CEC Highways Simon Davies cc Cllr Walton

10. Meetings – To note feedback from meetings attended since the meeting 10th June 2015 and to note attendance to take place at meetings during July / August

10.1 Cllr Crossman chaired the Chalc area meeting during week ending 5th July

11. To receive any items for inclusion in the agenda for the next meeting, proposed to be held on Wednesday 9th September in the Committee Room at Plumley Village Hall

None outside of standard agenda

12. The meeting closed at 9.45 pm

APPENDIX 07/15

5.0 Clerk's Report

5.1 Correspondence

Date	correspondence received and forwarded
10/6	Cheshire HOMECHOICE Newsletter
16/6	Ordnance Survey Standard Contractor License Form – Housing Needs survey
17/6	PLUMLEY AED – Adrian Rees
18/6	Chalc - Macclesfield Area Meeting Agenda
19/6	Chalc -Chairmanship 1 training session
19/6	Healthwatch Cheshire East e bulletin - Mental Health
22/6	Smart Motorway presentation M6 J16 to J19
23/6	Simon Saba -Windmill Wood (app 15/2607M). Ollerton with Marthall Parish Council
23/6	15/2666M SILVERDALE, TROUTHALL LANE, PLUMLEY,
24/6	Tony Gabbott re Jonathan Beever
26/6	To Norma Hall re Moorcroft
30/6	Cheshire Police & Crime Commissioner and Chief Constable's newsletter
2/7	CSORP OPRA letter via Cllr Nichols
2/7	Cheshire Police Alert Message
3/7	Healthwatch Cheshire East e bulletin
3/7	Commercial Playgrounds with Creative Play
5/7	Charlotte Rendell Business advert on website
7/7	Cheshire Police Who would you nominate for a WOW! Award ~
7/7	15/2523M 2, HOLFORD COTTAGES, CHESTER ROAD, PLUMLEY, CHESHIRE

5.2 Road Traffic accidents - reported accident at Middlewich road and Ullard Hall Lane

6. Financial Payments

6.1 To note the current financial position

Income	Community Account £	*Business Premium Account £
Balance brought forward	16,205.25	
Contribution towards defibrillator	310.00	
	0	
Total	16,515.25	6156.71

***Business Premium Account Earmarked Reserves**

Donald Sterling Legacy	367.67
Donation for daffodil bulbs	6.50
Playing Fields provision	3,550.00

6.2 To approve the following payments from the **Community Account**:

Ref	Payee	£
	Mid Cheshire rail users association membership	14.00
	Cheshire County Playing Fields Association Membership	18.00
	I Print June / July newsletter	104.40
	Chalc Chairmanship training 1 – A Gabbott	30.00
	The Rectory Garden Nurseries	162.00
	Knutsford Community First responder Trust	400.00
	David McGifford Clerk salary	248.50
	David McGifford – Clerk expenses April / May / June	104.90
	David Warburton – Notice Boards	2405.00*
	PAYE April / May/ June	186.00
	K James Radar gun	105.99
	Knutsford Community First Responder Trust	475.00
	Total for period	4253.79
	Balance available subject to approved expenditure	12,261.46

*Subject to delegated authority to KJ to approve the release of the cheque upon satisfactory completion of works