*****PLUMLEY WITH TOFT & BEXTON***

***PARISH COUNCIL***

***11th October 2017***

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON**

**WEDNESDAY 4th October 2017 at 7.30 pm Plumley Village Hall**

**Councillors Present:** A Gabbott Chairman, C Wilson Vice Chairman, J Wright, G Coates, D Nichols, A Shaw, H Lawton, A Thomson, S Wharfe G Walton CEC

**Public Forum**

Areas discussed within the public forum included.

* Highways concerns caused by hedge growth at PMR / Middlewich Road junction and general speeding
* Refurbishment and potential reinstatement of BT phone box as a community use area – book share
* Speed watch – 3 residents interested training going to be undertaken, councillors encouraged to support

**Police Surgery**

There was no police surgery

**Meeting Agenda**

1. **Apologies;**

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

**Apologies were received from** Cllrs: Mrs S Crossman,

1. **Declaration of interests**

To receive from Councillors any declarations of pecuniary and non-pecuniary interests

Declarations of interest were received from Cllrs D Nichols Plumley Village Hall A Shaw R Comberbach Trust.

1. **Minutes** - To approve & sign the Minutes of the meeting on the 6th September 2017

Minutes of the meeting 6th September 2017 were approved **without amendment**

1. **Dual Runway operations – Wendy Sinfield Manchester Airport**

To receive a presentation about changes to the operating hours on the Dual Runway operations

Councillors thanked Wendy Sinfield for her presentation – information of which will be included in the October / November newsletter

1. **Cheshire East Council Matters**: To receive a report on Cheshire East Council Matters, items included:-

* Advising that CEC will be looking to connect more with the community electronically – termed as digitalization
* Highways meeting arranged (see highways report)
* Cheshire Lakes Planning application not progressing at Chelford
* CEC will be hosting the 2018 Tour of Britain

1. **Clerks Report –** To receive
   1. **Correspondence** and to take decisions on items specified in Appendix 10/17 attached

**Council resolved** to receive the correspondence list which included

* the resignation of Councillor J Beever.
* Cheshire Wildlife Trust objection to 17/4501M, Ascol works, Plumley Lime beds SSSI
  1. **Reports of RTA**

There were no reports of RTA

1. **Financial Payments –** 
   1. **To approve payments in Appendix 10/17 attached. Includes: Salaries & expenses.**

**Councillors resolved to** approve payments in appendix 10/17

* 1. **To note the completed Annual Return from External Auditors BDO**

**Councillors resolved to** approve receipt of the completed Annual Return

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

***Note - When receiving reports and making resolutions perceived risks need to be identified and if necessary agreed actions required to mitigate them***

* 1. **General Highways issues** – (Action log attached)

The reporting via the action log is currently suspended due to the fact that there will be a route review for the route from Middlewich Road through Plumley Moor Road. This meeting is taking place on the 26th October 2017, the action log will be updated at this point

* 1. **Planning**
* 17/4543M Holly Tree Farm, Plumley Moor Road, Plumley

**Council resolved to** not comment on this application

* 17/4544M Holly Tree Farm, Plumley Moor Road, Plumley

**Council resolved to** not comment on this application

* 17/4555M SMOKER INN, CHESTER ROAD, PLUMLEY

**The Council resolved to** not object the application, but add comment as follows; pedestrian access for customers from Plumley to the smoker is dangerous as the hedge to the north boundary has been allowed to grow over the original grass verge so they have to walk on the road; the council would like to see the hedge removed, and the fence to the northern boundary continued from the building on the same line, or a hedge planted along this line, to reinstate the original verge. Presently customers are deterred from walking to the smoker from the village as it is unsafe to do so.

* 17/4545M Holly Tree Farm, Plumley Moor Road, Plumley

**Council resolved to** not comment on this application

* 1. **Cheshire Oil Development update**

No further development reported

* 1. **HS2**

No further development reported

* 1. **Review frequency of meetings**

**Council resolved to the following –**

* From January 2018 Council Meetings will take place in the months of January, March, May, July, September, November – these will include planning applications that fall within these months
* Planning only meetings will be convened if required during February, April, June, August, October, December
* All planning applications received to be distributed by the clerk to all councilors
* The clerk will establish with Cheshire East Council if applications can be deferred to a normal council meeting date where applicable.
* All councilors will be invited to the meeting and the quorum will be as council
* Meetings can be called by either the Chairman or another 2 members of the council
  1. **Moorcroft – general report from C Wilson**
* Grass cutting in Moorcroft, especially the children’s play area. They would like cuttings removed and not left as ‘mulch’. CEC are not going to remove the cuttings so we need to think about the “village handyman” in readiness for next years cutting season.
* Dog bin is available we now have two basic positions; directly opposite the thatched cottage or next to Anne Barlow’s property.
* The street lamp at the top of Trouthall near Moorcroft is not working and a tree is obscuring the previous street lamp. I will put in a request with CEC for these two issues to be attended.
  1. **Footpaths**
* Issue raised with regards to the sign placed by Inovyn at the Fingerpost stating No public access or right of way

**Action** Clerk to write to Inovyn and request an explanation as this was regularly used as a public right of way

1. **Meetings –** To note feedback from meetings attended since the meeting 6th September 2017 and to note attendance to take place at meetings during October 2017

* Clerk attended Regional SLCC Meeting in Middlewich 22.9

1. **To receive any items for inclusion in the agenda for the next meeting, proposed to be held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 1st November 2017 in the Committee Room at Plumley Village Hall**

* Neighbourhood Plan

1. **Close Meeting**

**APPENDIX 10/17**

**6.0 Clerk’s Report**

**6.1 Correspondence (Advised that this is no longer required)**

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| A | 5.9 | ChALC Annual Meeting - Booking Form and Motions |
| B | 7.9 | ChALC E-bulletin |
| C | 11.9 | 17/4543M Holly Tree Farm, Plumley Moor Road, Plumley |
| D | 11.9 | 17/4555M SMOKER INN, CHESTER ROAD, PLUMLEY |
| E | 12.9 | 17/4544M Holly Tree Farm, Plumley Moor Road, Plumley |
| F | 12.9 | 17/4545M Holly Tree Farm, Plumley Moor Road, Plumley |
| G | 12.9 | Legal challenge to Local Plan Strategy - CEC |
| H | 14.9 | Response to highway issues BARKER, Simon <Simon.Barker@cheshireeasthighways.org> |
| I | 14.9 | ChALC Training Session - Chairmanship Basic |
| J | 14.9 | ChALC e bulletin |
| K | 20.9 | Chalc Clerks & Councillors Induction Training |
| L | 22.9 | Suggested article for Parish magazines on extended dual runway time – Mcr Airport |

**6.2. Road Traffic accidents -** To note the occurrence of RTA’s since the last meeting

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**7. Financial Payments**

**7.1 To note the current financial position**

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| Income | Community Account  £ | \*Business Premium  Account £ |
| Balance brought forward | 14,096.92 | 6162.06 |
| Precept second payment | 7,428.00 |  |
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| Total | 21,524.92 | 6162.06 |

**\*Business Premium Account Earmarked Reserves**

Donald Sterling Legacy 367.67

Donation for daffodil bulbs 6.50

Playing Fields provision 3,550.00

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| **Ref** | **Payee** | £ |
|  | Plumley Village Hall Room Hire | 81.00 |
|  | Plumley Village Hall 50% Contribution towards fixed costs | 1710.00 |
|  | D McGifford Clerk Salary - | 217.50 |
|  | D McGifford Website set up and operation – | 232.00 |
|  | BDO – Annual Audit fee | 120.00 |
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|  | **Total for period** | **2,360.50** |
|  | **Total Carried forward** | **19,164.42** |

**8.1 Plumley Toft with Bexton Parish Council Action log update 27.9.2017**

**Meeting with CEC to discuss overall route review taking place late October 2017**

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| Meeting | Issue | Person | Action | Highways  Enquiry number |
| 2015/16 | Christmas Tree Base – to receive the information from Kevin James | AG | Awaiting |  |
| 16.3.17 | Visibility issue from Church Wall | DM / GC | Highways enquiry number  Logged 27.3 response 21 days  **CEC – Resolved ?** | 3285520 |
| 16.3.17 | Visibility issue pulling out of Trouthall Lane | DM / GC | Highways enquiry number  Logged 27.3 response 21 days  **CEC – Resolved ?** | 3285521 |
| 16.3.17 | Blocked Gully | DM / GC | Highways enquiry number  Logged 27.3 response 21 days  **CEC – to be programmed** | 3285522 |
| 16.3.17 | Plumley Moor Road Bridge  Insufficient footpath width | DM / GC | Highways enquiry number  Logged 27.3 response 21 days  **CEC – Resolved ?** | 3285524 |
| 16.3.17 | Road Rail Incursion issue | DM / GC | Highways enquiry number  Logged 27.3 response 21 days  **CEC – Resolved ?** | 3285525 |
| 16.3.17 | No footway leading to the Golden Pheasant | DM / GC | Highways enquiry number  Logged 27.3 response 21 days  **CEC – Resolved ?** | 3285526 |
| 16.3.17 | Condition of signs | DM / GC | Highways enquiry number  Logged 27.3 response 21 days  **No Comment** | 3285527 |
| 16.3.17 | Crossroads issue with reduced visibility due to the hedges – Pinfold Lane | DM / GC | Highways enquiry number  Logged 27.3 response 21 days  **CEC – Inspected satisfactory** | 3285530 |
|  | Review of the junction of the A50 and Middlewich Road in Toft | GW | Agree how this needs to be progressed 5.4.17 |  |
| 6.7.16 | speeding around the Moorcroft estate posing a danger to children.  It was agreed that signage would be looked into when delivering improvements to the Moorcroft play area | CW | To contact CEC to establish if speeding sign could be incorporated into play area |  |
| 7.9.16 | Road alongside the Smoker public house, Cllr Walton agreed to ask Highways if it could be cut back as the road is narrow at that point. | GW |  |  |
| 5.10.16 | Map provided by Norma Hall re gullies, | DM | Map forwarded to CEC (partly entered via website) N Hall verbally updated that progress and improvements had been made then left the meeting | Proposed that DM contact N Hall to establish any outstanding items |
| 5.4.17 | Condition of trees on Trouthall Lane | TBA | Reported tree risk on Trouthall Lane – agree next steps |  |
| 5.4.17 | Garden refuse on Plumley Moor Road verge | DM | Clerk to write to relevant household **actioned** |  |
| 12.4.17 | Speedwatch interest PMR  Mr N Smith | DM | **Article in next newsletter** | Completed |