

# MINUTES OF MEETING OF PRESTBURY PARISH COUNCIL

## AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, PRESTBURY

13<sup>th</sup> March 2018 AT 7.30PM

**Present: Councillors:** L Burns, G Clewley, D Foden, V Herbert, T Jackson, M Leather, J. Martin, K Miles, J Hallowell, K Podmore , Borough Cllr P Findlow

Item	Action
224	
<p><b>Meeting opened at 7.30pm</b></p> <p><b>Apologies for absence</b></p> <p>A Dicken, Clerk – Georgina Ryder.</p>	
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<p><b>Declarations of Interest</b></p> <p>nil</p>	
226	
<p><b>Public Participation</b></p> <p>Mr Russell Adams item 227 only</p>	
227	
<p><b>White Gables possible development</b></p> <p>Mr. Russell Adams of Adams Planning provided an update to the presentation received in August 2017 regarding a potential development at White Gables. No application will be forthcoming until Cheshire East make a decision on site allocations within the Local Plan.</p>	
228	
<p><b>To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 13<sup>th</sup> March 2018</b></p> <p>The minutes were agreed Proposed by Cllr,Podmore Seconded by Cllr.Miles In favour 8; Against 0; Abstention 2</p> <p><b>Matters arising</b> Item 215 30<sup>th</sup> January should refer to Brundred Farm not Blundred Farm</p> <p>All actions were either completed or on this evening's agenda except for the letter mentioned in 215 30<sup>th</sup> January – after agreement from Cllr Findlow this will now be sent.</p>	<p><b>JM</b></p>
229	
<p><b>Clerk's Report</b></p> <p>The Clerk's report was noted. The request from Prestbury Tennis Club regarding access to courts 7 and 8 was discussed. Agreed that any approval should include the request to reinstate the access route to the original condition after the work was completed. Their letter will be acknowledged stating that we are in agreement in principle but need more information prior to any approval. This letter would also address their concerns regarding gritting of the car park.</p>	<p><b>JM</b></p>
230	
<p><b>Accounts for Payment and Financial Matters</b></p> <p>All payments due this month were approved contingent on the following checks being made</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• BACS payments vs invoices</li> <li>• Euro office payment</li> <li>• Ann Whittaker trust payment</li> <li>• Training £75</li> <li>• That Water Plus and NPower reflect the final bills and standing charges</li> </ul>	

	<p>Proposed by Cllr Miles Seconded by Cllr Foden 8 in favour, 1 against, 1 abstention</p> <p>The Chair reported that he was aware of the RFO's recent attempt to locate an internal auditor with year end now upon us. ChALC had been unable to help with the names of auditors but the RFO had received one quote from the auditor for a neighbouring Parish Council. Unfortunately the Chair had not been provided exact details and he hoped that the RFO would obtain a further 2 quotes for the April meeting.</p> <p><b>Internal Audit Report</b> The RFO submitted a response to the audit report submitted to the Council by the Financial and General Planning Committee. In light of the RFOs absence and therefore inability to speak to her response it was acknowledged but not discussed. It was agreed that it would be held over and discussed at the next available opportunity.</p>	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>231</b>	<b>Planning Committee 14<sup>th</sup> February and 7<sup>th</sup> March</b>	
	<p>14<sup>th</sup> February - minor amendments only plus a single storey extension 7<sup>th</sup> March – mainly White House Manor development</p>	
<b>232</b>	<b>Measurable objectives for 2018 – 2020</b>	
	<p>The priorities agreed at the January meeting were discussed with a view to agreeing deliverable objectives against which progress could be made. Those who volunteered to take ownership were asked to bring proposals forward to the Parish Council in line with the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> <li><b>1. Parrotts Field (Cllrs. Martin and Miles)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Extend the existing footpath to the north end; consider the construction material</li> <li>• Install a simple pedestrian access gate on to New Road from the end of this extended path ensuring it is friendly to wheelchairs / prams etc.</li> <li>• Look at options for something of interest e.g. bug hotels to draw people into the field and increase public use of the public resource</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>2. Train station (Cllrs. Clewley, Herbert, Jackson, Leather)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Evaluate the possibility of aiming for an award in Cheshire's best-kept railway station</li> <li>• Document the current state of dilapidation and seek meeting with Station owners</li> <li>• Consider what can be done to increase visual appeal and promote Prestbury</li> <li>• Write a proposal to outline the dual approach of tackling the physical disrepair alongside the Parish Council's own initiatives for improvement</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>3. Football Pitch (Cllr. Dicken)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Consider increasing seating, potentially at no cost to the Parish through the sponsorship/dedication of benches</li> <li>• Consider additional recreational equipment/facilities to broaden usage</li> <li>• Undertake a more detailed study of the history, usage, condition and needs of the ground jointly with the Football Club. Produce a joint costed report.</li> <li>• Explore sources of external funding and resources to carry out work.</li> <li>• Engage with Cheshire East Council as joint owners to decide what work is justified to bring this field up to a good standard</li> </ul> </li> <li><b>4. Marketing communications (Cllr. Hallowell)</b> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Develop a modern fit for purpose website</li> <li>• Consider how we would each use a website <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Legal requirements for Parish Councils</li> <li>○ Events</li> </ul> </li> </ul> </li> </ol>	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>○ Promotions</li> <li>○ Local History</li> </ul> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Engage with local firms to see if the work can be undertaken at no cost to the Council</li> </ul> <p><b>5. Pride in Prestbury (All)</b></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Encourage the Village Club to tidy up their entrance area. VH to draft letter and JM to sign</li> <li>• Consider how best to encourage more planting in The Village e.g. hanging baskets, tubs</li> <li>• Consider a Prestbury Action Day to encourage everyone to tidy up something in the vicinity of their properties – leaves, small branches, litter, hedges etc.</li> </ul> <p>Cllr Martin requested that fellow Cllrs continue to give thought to practical ways in which the above can be furthered and to email those responsible with their suggestions.</p>	
<b>233</b>	<b>Letter to Cheshire East</b>	
	<p>Some minor alterations were made to the letter already circulated for comment</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Include thanks re work completed beside Streamside Cottage</li> <li>• thank them in advance for the work they have agreed to carry out on the cobbles at Bridge Green</li> <li>• add that the improvements required are in no particular order</li> <li>• send completed version to Georgina to issue</li> </ul>	
<b>234</b>	<b>Manchester airport meeting 6<sup>th</sup> March</b>	
	<p>Starting in May 2018 for 12 weeks, the public will be consulted on</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• the noise action plan</li> <li>• the night action plan</li> </ul> <p>The details will be sent to the Clerk Details of changes to hours and runway usage are on the Manchester Airport website</p>	
<b>235</b>	<b>Proposed suffrage article</b>	
	<p>After much discussion we agreed that Cllr Miles had written a very good article but it was not appropriate for this to be printed in a Prestbury Parish Council newsletter. Consideration should be given to submitting it to Cheshire Life, Prestbury Living etc</p>	
<b>236</b>	<b>New Councillor</b>	
	<p>The vacancy was lodged with Cheshire East and publicised by the Parish Council via the Notice Board and on our website. In addition, Cllr Martin had proactively reached out to all the applicants who had requested to be kept informed of future vacancies after the previous position was filled by Cllr Hallowell in June 2017. Shelia Kirk, who both Cllr Martin and Cllr Miles reported was a very strong candidate the last time had reapplied to fill the vacancy created by the resignation of Cllr Stanley on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2018.</p> <p>Cllr Martin proposed that Sheila Kirk be co-opted as a Parish Councillor Cllr Miles seconded the proposal All in favour</p> <p><b>Resolved that Sheila Kirk will be co-opted as a Parish Councillor</b></p>	
<b>237</b>	<b>Correspondence and communications</b>	
	<p>The request to hold a public meeting on the proposed development at Orme Close was discussed. The Planning Committee reported that their submission on this matter had already been submitted and that they had already received public representation on this matter. Cllr Podmore will respond</p>	<b>KP</b>

**The meeting concluded at 10.20pm.**