

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF PRESTBURY PARISH COUNCIL**  
**AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, PRESTBURY ON 7<sup>TH</sup> AUGUST 2013 AT 10.30AM**

**Present:**           **Councillors:**   A Dicken (Chairman), L Burns, D Foden, D Hawkins,  
T Jackson, K. Miles, S Turner

Item	Action
<b>53. Apologies for absence</b>	
Councillors M Leather, C Stott and Borough Cllr Findlow	
<b>54. To approve the minutes of the Annual General Meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> July</b>	
Cllr Foden proposed that the minutes of the 9 <sup>th</sup> July 2013 be approved Cllr Miles seconded the proposal All in favour <i>Resolved: That the minutes of the 9<sup>th</sup> July 2013 should be approved as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.</i>	
<b>55. Declarations of Interest</b>	
None	
<b>56. Public Participation</b>	
None	
<b>57. Clerk's Report</b>	
The Clerk's report was noted. On the Clerk's request Cllr Turner proposed that the new publication 'Local Councils Explained' be purchased for the price of £49.99 Cllr Burns seconded the proposal All in favour <i>Resolved: that the publication 'Local Councils Explained' would be purchased at the price of £49.99.</i>	Clerk
<b>58. Accounts for Payment</b>	
Cllr Hawkins proposed that the accounts for August should be sanctioned for payment Cllr Miles seconded the proposal All were in favour <i>Resolved: That the Accounts for August should be sanctioned for payment.</i> A request was made that the cost of the electricity for the Council Chambers be explored further.	MI & Clerk
<b>59. Planning reports for 2<sup>nd</sup> &amp; 17<sup>th</sup> July</b>	
The Planning reports were noted.	
<b>60. Reports</b>	
<i>i. Maintenance and Safety</i> Cllr Foden reported that he had erected the QE2 Fields in Trust sign in the football field. <i>ii. Public Realm, Road and Pavement Maintenance and Road Safety</i> Cllr Hawkins reported that the expansion of the 20mph speed limit needs further endorsement but is understood to be going ahead. 20mph signs will be placed at the Chelford Road/Castle Hill junction and Macclesfield Road. Concerning the SIDs (Speed Indicator Devices) Highways wish to install at five points -	

	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Castle Hill just before Castle Hill Court</li> <li>• Butley Lanes near the post box opposite The Fold</li> <li>• Macclesfield Road just after Broadwalk</li> <li>• Heybridge lane at top of Meadow Drive</li> <li>• Chelford Road bank at Packsaddle.</li> </ul> <p>The cost is expected to be between £3-4000.  Cllr Hawkins proposed that CEC are instructed to go ahead with the installation of the bases for the poles to the maximum cost of £4000 + VAT  Cllr Dicken seconded this proposal  All in favour  <b>Resolved: CEC, Highways Department to be instructed to complete the installation of the bases for the poles at the five points stated, to the maximum cost of £4000 + VAT</b>  Parking - Following discussion it was agreed that Parking enforcement signs within the village are to be amended so fines are enforceable.  It was reported that the Zebra crossing has now been painted but brighter lights were needed on the beacons.  <b>iii. Police Report</b>  Cllr Jackson reported that she had received a visit from a Rural Policing team who were working towards reducing crime in rural areas  <b>iv. Environment Issues</b>  Cllr Dicken reported that a meeting had been arranged with United Utilities and CEC on the 18<sup>th</sup> September to discuss the flooding problems at Bollin Grove.  <b>v. Footpaths</b>  Nothing to report  <b>vi. Newsletter</b>  Cllr Turner requested articles by Friday 19<sup>th</sup> August  <b>vii. CommunityPride</b>  Cllr Jackson reported that Cre8 had cleared the village satisfactorily.</p>	<b>PF</b>
<b>61.</b>	<b>To receive reports concerning Cheshire East Council (CEC) issues including the Local Enterprise Partnership, The Local Area Partnership (LAP), Local Service Delivery and Devolved Services</b>	
	<p>Cllr Jackson reported that she had attended a LAP meeting where there had been a SEMMMS presentation and a presentation from a Christianity charity called “Hampers of Hope”.</p> <p><b>i. To discuss the Freedom of Information request to see the independent report commissioned by Cheshire East Council on the evolving Local Plan</b>  Following discussion it was agreed that Adrian Fisher would be asked to speak to the Parish Council about the Draft Local Plan and the independent report that is believed to have influenced it at their meeting on the 8<sup>th</sup> October and if he agreed the council would consider holding the October meeting at the Village Hall.</p>	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>62.</b>	<b>To elect Cllr Leather to the Finance &amp; General Purpose Committee</b>	
	<p>Cllr Burns proposed that Cllr Leather be elected on to the F &amp; GP Committee  Cllr Miles seconded this proposal  All in favour  <b>Resolved: that Cllr Leather become a member of the Finance and General Purpose Committee</b></p>	
<b>63.</b>	<b>To discuss the two councillor vacancies</b>	
	<p>Following discussion it was agreed that the vacancies would be advertised the week beginning 23<sup>rd</sup> September to link in with the issue of the next newsletter.</p>	

<b>64.</b>	<b>To receive an update on the progress with the transfer of the Toilet Block</b>	
	Cllr Burns reported that she had attended a meeting with Borough Cllr Topping along with Borough Cllr Paul Findlow and Cllr Ireland. Consequently an offer had been received from CEC which was not acceptable. It was preferred that CEC retain responsibility for the Wayleave and the Clerk agreed to inform CEC of this.	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>65.</b>	<b>To discuss funding for the Children's playground</b>	
	Cllr Dicken reported that a petition had been received asking for upgrade of the playground. Cllr Miles produced quotes for various options for the playground varying from £7950 to £45950 and she suggested obtaining outside funding/grants. Following discussion it was agreed that a Working Group would be started but initially confirmation of urgent repairs needed to be produced. Cllr Turner agreed to assist with obtaining funding. Cllr Burns agreed to work with Cllr Turner to write any bids that were required.	<b>KM</b>
<b>66.</b>	<b>To discuss the Xmas lights for 2013</b>	
	To be discussed in September	
<b>67.</b>	<b>To note correspondence and decide which items to take action upon</b>	
	It was noted that CEC had sent a formal solicitors letter to United Utilities about the flooding problems in Bollin Grove A request had been received from Prestbury Living magazine asking for articles and Cllr Burns agreed to write an article for this. It was agreed that the complaint against the Saffron Rooms would now be dropped.	<b>LB</b>

**Chairman**