

# MINUTES OF MEETING OF PRESTBURY PARISH COUNCIL

## AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBER, PRESTBURY

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

**Present: Councillors:** L Burns, , A Dicken, D Foden, V Herbert,  
M Leather, J. Martin, K Miles, J Hallowell, K Podmore

Item	Action
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<p><b>Meeting opened at 7.30pm</b></p> <p><b>Apologies for absence</b></p> <p>G Clewley, T Jackson , Clerk – Georgina Ryder. D.Stanley resigned on 11<sup>th</sup> February 2018</p>	
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<p><b>Declarations of Interest</b></p> <p>nil</p>	
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<p><b>Public Participation</b></p> <p>PCSO Hanah Jackson – item 211 only</p>	
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<p><b>Introduction to PCSO Hannah Jackson</b></p> <p>PCSO Jackson reported that she has recently passed her Police driving test and will now be more visible in Prestbury. She covers Bollington and Tytherington as well. A police liaison meeting will be held at the Bridge Hotel The True cam will be utilised on Castle Hill and Macclesfield Road We raised the issue of cars going through the pedestrian crossing while pedestrians are waiting to cross and on occasion cars overtaking another vehicle stopped at the pedestrian crossing</p>	
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<p><b>To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018</b></p> <p>The minutes were agreed Proposed by Cllr,Hallowell Seconded by Cllr.Miles In favour 8; Against 0; Abstention 1</p> <p><b>Matters arising</b> Prestbury Library is no longer under threat although this needs to be ratified by Cheshire East. Reminder that at our March Meeting we will better define our priorities through 2020.</p>	
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<p><b>Clerk's Report</b></p> <p>The Clerk's report was noted.</p>	
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<p><b>Accounts for Payment and Financial Matters</b></p> <p>Cllr Podmore, and Vice Chair, will step into the role of Chair of the F&amp;GP due to the resignation from the Parish Council of D.Stanley until such time as the next F&amp;GP meeting is convened and a new Chair voted in.</p> <p>Concern was raised regarding our lack of ability to make BACS payments in the absence of the RFO. It was agreed that a contingency must be put in place but that this could not be done until the return of the RFO. Cllr Martin has ensured that there are no outstanding payments.</p> <p>All payments due this month were approved.</p>	

	Proposed by Cllr Miles Seconded by Cllr Leather All in favour	
<b>215</b>	<b>Planning Committee 17<sup>th</sup> January, 24<sup>th</sup> January and 30<sup>th</sup> January 2018</b>	
	<p><b>17<sup>th</sup> January 2018</b> The Priory Park public consultation was refused 11:1; it is believed that the Rugby Club is considering an appeal</p> <p><b>24<sup>th</sup> January 2018</b> Possible Abbey Mill Development. Discussions with the 2 land owners are at early stage and Cheshire East have not yet been involved. When and if a planning application is submitted we will decide whether this should go to the planning committee or to the whole Parish Council because of the impact on green belt land – needs to be decided on a case by case basis</p> <p><b>30<sup>th</sup> January 2018</b> The Blundred Farm application has not been called in as requested by Borough Cllr Findlow ; this has not previously happened. We agreed that a letter should be sent to Cheshire East around this procedure</p>	<b>JM &amp; KP</b>
<b>216</b>	<b>Update on Planning Application 17/2260M</b>	
	<p>The tenders were opened on 2<sup>nd</sup> February by Cllrs Martin and Podmore and found to be significantly higher than anticipated. Consequently the following will be revisited</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>• Scope of work reductions to decrease cost eg changing slightly the pedestrian access to utilise the existing wall by the Bollin</li> <li>• The Root protection for trees</li> <li>• The Geotextile sub-membranes</li> <li>• Possible savings already submitted by one of the tenderers</li> </ul> <p>The proposed start date of 26<sup>th</sup> February is not now feasible in part as Cheshire East have not removed the conditions on the original application despite our submission to this effect in before Christmas. Work cannot be commenced until this is done.</p> <p>We will now proceed to retendering as the tight timeline may have prevented some replying to the first request. This retendering will not delay the project.</p> <p>Friends of Prestbury have received a £5K grant for landscaping and 2 further businesses in the village may contribute to costs</p> <p>19<sup>th</sup> February is the provisional date for removal of appropriate trees – after 1<sup>st</sup> March this would entail a bird nesting survey first. Water has been disconnected and electricity is scheduled to be disconnected on 12<sup>th</sup> March.</p>	<b>KP</b>
<b>217</b>	<b>Youth Hut Patio</b>	
	<p>The Youth Hut has requested approval to install a paved area to infill a dirt track outside their rear entrance to allow muddy boots to be removed before the hut is entered. They also wish to redevelop the land between the playground and the Guide hut although what form this may take has not yet been determined.</p> <p>Agreed that we needed to see the full plans of what they would like to do before we can make any determination of the larger of the two development objectives. It was noted that enhancing the field to promote greater community use is one of our priorities so we may be able to work collaboratively towards this aim. The paving of the small area outside the rear entrance was agreed. Cllr Martin will write to them stating all the above</p>	<b>JM</b>
<b>218</b>	<b>Events update</b>	

	The Summer event will be held on 1 <sup>st</sup> July; there has been a good response from stall holders. Peter and Rose Holes have volunteered their help. An events committee will be held in February	KM
<b>219</b>	<b>Next newsletter</b>	
	<p>Cllr Martin has requested articles to be sent to him. The Spring Issue will be planned after the March meeting to allow inclusion of the priorities we have agreed for the next 5 years</p> <p>Cllr Miles has written an article about suffragists which she will send to the Parish Council for review</p> <p>We agreed to consider how best to highlight the growing issue of people who either don't pick up after their dogs or who do pick up and then carelessly discard the bags</p> <p>We agreed not to accept business adverts because of the possibility of the need to register for VAT.</p> <p>Cllr Miles will discuss with the newest ventures in the village writing an article about why they chose to come here and what their experiences have been.</p>	<p>All</p> <p>KM</p> <p>All</p> <p>KM</p>
<b>220</b>	<b>Volunteer expenditure</b>	
	£75 (excluding VAT) was agreed could be spent on a small banner (attached to stakes) to advertise the input of the Co-Op to the Shirleys pathway planting and the purchase of 3 shrubs for the raised bed.	JM & VH
<b>221</b>	<b>Bollin Grove and Pearl Street flooding</b>	
	<p>A meeting was held on 25<sup>th</sup> January. When the notes from this meeting have been typed, they will be circulated</p> <p><b>Bollin Grove</b> Cheshire East have a plan of action and have spoken to both the home owner and United Utilities who are in agreement. A retention tank which will then feed into the waste system will be installed at the end of March 2018</p> <p><b>Pearl Street</b> A plan of action has been submitted to the Environmental Agency; CEC are confident this will be approved for implementation 2018/19. A decision will be made by the Environmental Agency in April 2018</p>	JM
<b>222</b>	<b>Air Quality Monitoring</b>	
	Cllr Leather gave a brief update on discussions she has had since the last meeting about monitoring equipment and analysis. She will return with a proposal when she is able.	ML
<b>223</b>	<b>Roads and pavements</b>	
	Cllr Dicken reminded us that a couple of years ago we wrote to Cheshire East about our concerns. This letter has been re-circulated and we will revisit in March bringing to their attention our concern about grass verges, leaves, potholes etc and the lack of accountability	All
<b>224</b>	<b>Correspondence and communications</b>	
	<p>A number of items in the correspondence file still have to be resolved; holding letters have been sent to the authors of each of these issues.</p> <p>We discussed the Growth Letter copy we received. It was agreed that the appropriate vehicle to tackle many of the issues raised is a Neighbourhood Plan but the Council's position on that is closed. The letter was unsolicited and sent to us only as a copy therefore it was deemed that no response was required.</p>	

	<p>Cllr Dicken proposed the purchase of an additional battery for the SIDs so that each SID has 2 batteries Proposed by Cllr Dicken Seconded by Cllr Podmore In favour 7 Abstentions 2</p>	
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**The meeting concluded at 9:50pm.**