

# MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF PRESTBURY PARISH COUNCIL

AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON 10<sup>TH</sup> JUNE 2014 AT 7.30PM

**Present:**       **Councillors:**     A Dicken (Chairman), L Burns, N Haigh, M Ireland, T Jackson, M Leather, K Miles, C Musgrove.

**Also present:** Borough Cllr P Findlow

Item	Action
<b>39. Apologies for absence</b>	
Cllr D Foden	
<b>40. To approve the minutes of the Meeting held on 20<sup>th</sup> May</b>	
Cllr Musgrove proposed that the minutes of the 20 <sup>th</sup> May 2014 be approved. Cllr Ireland seconded the proposal All in favour <i>Resolved: That the minutes of the 20<sup>th</sup> May 2014 should be approved as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.</i>	
<b>41. Declarations of Interest</b>	
None	
<b>42. Public Participation</b>	
<p>The Chairman and Vice Chairman of the Tennis Club attended the meeting as they were interested in the discussion concerning the land surrounding the Tennis Club and how it would affect them. They stated that they were happy with where the new playground will be placed.</p> <p>Two representatives of the Park House Lane Residents Group, Alison Griffies and Ian Marshall attended the meeting to comment on a proposal from Peaks &amp; Plains to develop the garage site off Park House Lane. They listed their objections and stated that they intend to fight the proposal through building their own evidence base to support their concerns and ensuring, as far as they can that Peaks &amp; Plains carry out appropriate surveys and share their results with them. The Residents Group believes that what is being proposed represents gross over development of a backland site. It is not sympathetic to the current street scene and fails to take into consideration the value of amenities, outlook, privacy, quietness and the general life style enjoyed by current residents. If this proposal goes ahead, it will, at a stroke, convert a semi-rural location into one of urban denseness. They reject this proposal entirely and will continue to do so should it progress to the planning application stage. They recognise that the council are unable to make judgements at this point but, when they are in a position to do so, they hope the Council will support them and reject this proposal. In the meantime, they would be happy to show any members of the Parish Council around the garage site, together with such plans as are currently available.</p>	
<b>43. Clerks Report</b>	
The Clerk's report was noted.	
<b>44. Accounts for Payment</b>	<b>APPENDIX A</b>
Cllr Ireland proposed that the accounts for June should be sanctioned for payment Cllr Miles seconded the proposal All were in favour <i>Resolved: That the Accounts for June should be sanctioned for payment.</i>	

<b>45.</b>	<b>Planning Reports for 14<sup>th</sup> May 2014</b>	
	The Planning reports were noted. Borough Cllr Findlow reported that the Bollin Hey planning application had now been approved.	
<b>46.</b>	<b>Reports</b>	
	<p><i>i. Maintenance and Safety</i> Cllr Ireland reported that the benches within the Parish are being renovated and it would be a rolling process.</p> <p><i>ii. Public Realm, Road and Pavement Maintenance and Road Safety</i> Cllr Leather reported that she had received complaints about the amount of potholes on the car park at the railway station. She had e-mailed Network Rail and had received a complaint log number. She will be pursuing this complaint. Cllr Ireland reported that if you look around the village hedges are overgrown, drains are blocked with rubbish, pavements are breaking up with weeds and grass has not been cut. Cllr Dicken suggested that a group of volunteers is formed to litter pick. Borough Cllr Findlow offered to request that Cllr Kevin Melling from CEC attend the village and listen to our concerns. Cllr Leather and Ireland agreed to draw up a list of complaints for this purpose. Cllr Musgrove had a list of volunteers offering to litter-pick if litter-picking forks could be supplied. Cllr Jackson thought there was already a supply of forks for this purpose and would root them out.</p> <p><i>iii. Police Report</i> Cllr Dicken reported that he was in the process of arranging a Police Liaison meeting. He also reported that the SID was being moved every two weeks. David Hawkins is still working on getting the pole moved on Chelford Road.</p> <p><i>iv. Environment Issues</i> Nothing to report</p> <p><i>v. Footpaths</i> Nothing to report.</p> <p><i>vi. Newsletter</i> Cllr Burns reported that the latest newsletter is presently with the layout people and there were two advertisements in this newsletter but selling advertising space was not a good use of councillor's time.</p> <p><i>vii. Community Pride</i> Cllr Jackson had booked a contractor to clean and tidy the village.</p>	<b>PF ML &amp; MI</b>
<b>47.</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>	
	Cllr Jackson reported that the LAP meeting had been cancelled. Cllr Burns stated that everybody should have received the Poynton Relief Road information. Consultation started on the 2 <sup>nd</sup> June and will continue until the 28 <sup>th</sup> July. She offered to prepare a draft response for the Parish Council in time for the July meeting. She had placed information in the newsletter to try and explain the scheme clearer. She also reported that CEC were forming a Community Hub and an experimental Hub would be started in Macclesfield. Cllr Dicken and herself would attend the first meeting concerning this.	<b>LB</b>
<b>48.</b>	<b>To receive progress on the Children's playground and developing proposals for a Scout Hut</b>	
	Cllr Miles gave thanks to the Village Hall for their generous donation and Cllr Jackson stated that the Amenity Society would also sponsor a piece of equipment. She reported that she had asked the Action Group to have one final push at fund raising as they had nearly raised all the money and if they achieve the full amount soon the new playground could be built by the end of the summer. Since Chris Stott had retired we no longer had information about the new Scout Hut and what has happening. The Clerk agreed to write to the Scouts to find out what was happening.	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>49.</b>	<b>To discuss a suggestion by Carol Hamilton for use of the football field</b>	
	Cllr Dicken reported that Carol Hamilton has sent in suggestions which was discussed - 1/ Drain football field – the Council is aware of this but United Utilities would need to upgrade the sewer pipes before any money is spent on the field. Various correspondence and meetings with UU had happened over the years without any conclusion but if the sewer is upgraded there needed to be a group who would plan what needs doing to the field. Increase parking at the Tennis Club – There was no support for increasing the car parking	

	Land at Castleford Drive – this space was left as an Open Space and was donated to CEC as an Open Space.	
<b>50.</b>	<b>To report about the meeting held to discuss priorities and plans for the future of the village</b>	
	Cllr Dicken produced a list of priorities. The top priorities on the list were Cleaning up the Village, Improving the General State of the Village and Increasing footfall in the Village. These items were discussed with many ideas were put forward and it was agreed that a list of all ideas should be produced and then plans could be put together.	
<b>51.</b>	<b>To discuss the garages on Park House Lane</b>	
	Cllr Dicken informed the Council that they cannot say much at present but we will comment when then plans come before the Planning Committee. Borough Cllr Findlow informed the meeting that he has tried to have input at the pre-application stage but had received no response yet.	
<b>52.</b>	<b>To discuss the future organisation of the Planning Committee</b>	
	Cllr Ireland proposed that a projector be purchased for the use in Planning Committee meetings to the value of up to £350.00 Seconded by Cllr Musgrove All in favour <b>Resolved: a projector would be obtained for up to £350.00 for the use of viewing plans at the Planning Committee meetings.</b>	
<b>53.</b>	<b>To note correspondence and decide which items to take action upon</b>	
	A letter was received from Carol Hamilton disputing the wording of the minutes of the meeting held on the 8 <sup>th</sup> April. Following discussion Cllr Miles proposed that the wording should be changed to “[Councillor Miles] had been notified by Chairman Arthur Dicken - by his forwarding to her an old P4P site drawing sent by Carol Hamilton to him - that there was a potential conflict with the playground location if the car park needed to be enlarged to accommodate any future development on the park ground.” Seconded by Cllr Burns All in favour. <b>Resolved: that the wording on item10 Page 12 of the minutes of the 8<sup>th</sup> April to be amended as above.</b>  A letter had been received from Clare Massie complaining about the overgrown hedges on Macclesfield Road blocking the footpath and it was agreed that the owners of the property would be written to.  A letter had also been received from Mrs B Moffitt complaining that the hedge on the corner of Castlegate and Castle Hill was “grossly overgrown”. The owner of the property will be written to.	<b>Clerk</b>  <b>Clerk</b>

**Chairman**