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<b>11.</b>	<b>Review Register of Interests of Councillors</b>																																					
	The Council were reminded that if any circumstances had changed since completion of their form last year they needed to notify the Clerk and amend their Register of Interests Form.																																					

<b>12.</b>	<b>Planning reports for 18<sup>th</sup> April</b>	
	The Planning reports were noted. Cllr Jackson reported concerns about the Xpelair fans at The Saffron Rooms and it was agreed that the Environmental Officer would be contacted.	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>13.</b>	<b>Reports</b>	
	<p><i>i. Maintenance and Safety</i> Cllr Foden reported that the Coachway road sign had now disappeared and Cllr Leather agreed to notify the Highways Dept.</p> <p><i>ii. Public Realm, Road and Pavement Maintenance and Road Safety</i> Cllr Leather reported that herself and Cllr Ireland were due to meet up with Neil Ditchfield, CEC Lighting Engineer, regarding replacement lights for the path coming down into the village from the train station and they will also discuss the Xmas lights with him. The Zebra crossing will hopefully be discussed at the Highways meeting the following night but if not it would need to be raised with Borough Cllr Findlow.</p> <p><i>iii. Police Report</i> Cllr Leather reported that the Tennis Club had been broken into and the Police had been notified.</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 there had been gaps in the deliveries of the latest newsletter but if we help them further it is worth another try. The next newsletter is expected to go out following the draft Local plan being issued.</p>	<b>ML</b>
<b>14.</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 Burns reported that for a second time Cllr Findlow had asked CEC's senior planning officer for a copy of the independent report commissioned by CEC which stated the need for more houses to be built within Cheshire East and they had replied that they were taking advice whether to let us have a copy or not. Following discussion it was agreed that if they refused to let us have a copy within the next fortnight we would apply for a copy under the Freedom of Information Act. Cllr Jackson reported the next LAP meeting was at the end of the month.	
<b>15.</b>	<b>To receive an update on the progress with the transfer of the Toilet Block</b>	
	The Clerk reported that no response had been received from Cllr Topping even though he had promised a response within a fortnight and a couple of reminder e-mails had been sent by the Clerk.	
<b>16.</b>	<b>To discuss the Tennis Club and our responsibilities</b>	
	Cllrs Jackson and Foden reported that in their opinion the trees were not causing a problem for the Tennis Club and they recommend that nothing is done about the trees at this stage.	
<b>17.</b>	<b>To discuss the Xmas lights for 2013</b>	
	Cllr Leather reported that a quote had been received to put up and take down the lights, also to replace all the brackets on the buildings from a local company. A further quote had been requested from a lighting company for further lights and taking down and putting up of the lights but nothing had been received yet.	
<b>18.</b>	<b>To discuss extending the path in Parrott's Field</b>	
	Cllr Leather reported that the hedge being trimmed was in hand. Cllr Foden reported that he had asked for the path to be extended when it was built but CEC had said that the path should not go all the way through. It was decided that this should be discussed further at the next meeting when Cllr Dicken is in attendance to present further background.	<b>AD</b>

<b>19.</b>	<b>To receive a report from the Finance &amp; General Purpose Committee</b>	
	<p>The Clerk reported that the Asset Register had been completed and Cllr Ireland had been around the village to check on all the assets and their condition.</p> <p>Cllr Burns reported that the Clerk's salary had not been decided and it was agreed that this would be decided following appraisal by the Chairman.</p> <p>There was an issue about the possible need to employ professional help, if required, to challenge any unacceptable proposals emerging from the Local Plan but all that can be done at present is to await the publication of the Draft Local Plan.</p> <p>Cllr Jackson reported that the Bollin Valley joint path had now been shelved so a budget for that project was no longer required.</p>	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>20.</b>	<b>To approve the accounting statements for 2012/2013 to be forwarded to the Audit Commission</b>	
	The Clerk reported that the accounts would not be returned from the accountant until June.	
<b>21.</b>	<b>To discuss applying for Article 4 status for the Village</b>	
	Cllr Leather reported that she had made enquiries with the Local Authority about obtaining this status for the village and she would like to complete more investigation with English Heritage, The Amenity Society and the Conservation Officer. It was agreed that this would be discussed further at the Planning meetings.	<b>ML</b>
<b>22.</b>	<b>To note correspondence and decide which items to take action upon</b>	
	A letter had been received requesting to hold a Teddy Bears picnic on the football field. Following discussion it was agreed that this could go ahead at the far end of the field. The marquee had to be erected and dismantled on the same day and there would be a charge of £15.00. The Clerk to notify the applicant.	<b>Clerk</b>

**Chairman**