

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF PRESTBURY PARISH COUNCIL  
AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON 11<sup>TH</sup> NOVEMBER 2014 AT 7.30PM**

**Present:**       **Councillors:**   C Musgrove (Chairman), L Burns, D Foden, M Ireland, T Jackson, M Leather, K Miles.

**Also present:**   Borough Cllr P Findlow

Item	Action
<b>117. Apologies for absence</b>	
A Dicken	
<b>118. To approve the minutes of the Meeting held on 14<sup>th</sup> October</b>	
Cllr Ireland proposed that the minutes of the 14 <sup>th</sup> October 2014 be approved. Cllr Burns seconded the proposal All in favour <i>Resolved: That the minutes of the 14<sup>th</sup> October 2014 should be approved as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.</i>	
<b>119. Declarations of Interest</b>	
None	
<b>120. To approve the co-option of applicant(s) to the council</b>	
There were three applicants to become councillors - Mr Tom Bailey, Mr David Rutherford and Mrs Linda Saint. All three applicants were discussed. Cllr Musgrove proposed that Mr Tom Bailey, Mr David Rutherford and Mrs Linda Saint be appointed to the Parish Council with immediate effect Cllr Jackson seconded the proposal in favour, 1 abstention <i>Resolved: Mr Tom Bailey, Mr David Rutherford and Mrs Linda Saint are appointed as councillors to Prestbury Parish Council with immediate effect.</i>	
<b>121. Public Participation</b>	
Sgt Simon Degg attended the meeting to introduce himself as the newly appointed Sergeant for the area. He had been in post for two months and he explained that there would be quite a few changes in the future. He had met with Cllrs Dicken and Leather to discuss the Speed Indicator Device (SID) results. They were surprised with the results as the speeds recorded were a lot less than anticipated. He stated that he had worked in traffic for ten years and he felt that the SID had been positioned too low down on Macclesfield Road. He would like to set up a Community Speedwatch but would need volunteers to log the speed and car registration which would then be supplied to the Police who would write to the offender. He would like the Parish Council to arrange a handful of volunteers to achieve this. There would be one day training which was mostly Health & Safety. He has arranged for Prestbury and Tytherington to be regularly patrolled and speeding problems tackled. He needs to be made aware of any problems. Cllr Jackson stated that parking at the school in the morning and again in the afternoon was a problem. It was explained that this is best tackled by a traffic warden and Cllr Leather agreed to contact the traffic wardens. He also reported that PCSO Gareth Barber will leave in January but he will be replaced. The Driver Engagement Days have been suspended due to problems with the Fire Service but he will be happy to continue these in the future in a different format.	<b>ML</b>

<b>122.</b>	<b>Clerks Report</b>	
	The Clerk's report was noted. In response to a question from Cllr Burns, the Clerk confirmed that there would be a normal full Council meeting in the evening in August 2015 and not a meeting following a Planning Committee meeting as had happened in previous years.	
<b>123.</b>	<b>Accounts for Payment</b>	<b>APPENDIX A</b>
	Cllr Ireland explained that there was a payment that required endorsement for some Xmas lights which had been lost. All told some 75 metres was missing. He had had to purchase some new lights immediately as five weeks' notice for orders was required. As this expenditure had not been previously approved he requested that it could be approved post hoc otherwise he would return the lights. Cllr Leather proposed that the accounts for November should be sanctioned for payment Cllr Foden seconded the proposal All were in favour <b>Resolved: That the Accounts for November should be sanctioned for payment.</b>	
<b>124.</b>	<b>Planning Reports for 8<sup>th</sup> &amp; 29<sup>th</sup> October</b>	
	The Planning reports were noted. Cllr Jackson reported that on the 8 <sup>th</sup> October the Planning Committee had considered 73 Meadow Drive and made no objection forward. However, it subsequently transpired that a neighbour did object although he had not notified the PPC and Borough Cllr Findlow will take up his grievance. On the 29 <sup>th</sup> October the PPC made no comment to Greendale as they had been informed that there were amendments which were approved without consultation with the neighbours. Borough Cllr Findlow reported that he had successfully called Willowmead into Committee but is still waiting to hear whether Millheys will be called.	<b>PF</b>
<b>125.</b>	<b>Reports</b>	
	<b>i. Maintenance and Safety</b> Nothing to report <b>ii. Public Realm, Road and Pavement Maintenance and Road Safety</b> Cllr Leather reported that a BT box is due to be placed directly in front of the entrance door to the Saffron Rooms. Borough Cllr Findlow reported that BT had stated that this position had been agreed with planning which was "news to everybody". He had received an e-mail from BT that evening and he had replied that he wished to meet with them to discuss this further. Cllr Leather also reported that she had been in contact with Network Rail and Northern Rail concerning the state of the railway station and had received very poor responses. She wished to take the matter higher up and this was agreed. Cllr Burns explained the potential implications of the latest report by Sir David Higgins, the new Chairman of HS2. In order to placate Stoke on Trent, he was considering the possibility of having classic compatible trains leave the HS2 dedicated line at Lichfield and connect onto the West Coast Main Line. From there they would travel through Stoke and Macclesfield (and Prestbury) to Manchester. If this happened, the local stopping services between Stoke and Manchester would almost certainly be lost. An e-mail had been received from Mrs Y Dodd asking for a contribution towards the resurfacing of the road at 1A the Village. Cllr Ireland reported that the view of the F&GP Committee was that CEC had admitted that it did own the land and if the PC funded the resurfacing of the road they would be effectively adopting the road and would have the ongoing cost of maintaining that road. It was felt that CEC have a duty of care as this is the main pathway from the Shirleys car park to the village. The Parish Council agreed to support the residents in the discussions with CEC but could not contribute to the resurfacing. <b>iii. Police Report</b> As above (121) Public Participation <b>iv. Environment Issues</b> Nothing to report <b>v. Footpaths</b> Thanks were conveyed to Norman Ridley for his annual footpath report.	

	<p><i>vi. Newsletter</i> Cllr Burns reported that the newsletter would be sent to the designer the following day and then the newsletters would be printed and delivered by the end of the following week.</p> <p><i>vii. Community Pride</i> Cllr Jackson reported that the bulk of the diseased horse chestnut tree in front of the toilet block had now been taken down and the stump will be carved into two Herons which the Amenity Society would pay for.</p>	
<b>126.</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 Burns reported that the Poynton Relief Road was due to have been discussed at that day's Cheshire East Cabinet meeting and the green route was due to have been approved at an estimated cost of £32.5 million. CEC would need to find £8.5 million. There were also 'improvements' sanctioned for Adlington cross roads, Bonis Hall Lane and Well Lane although it was still unclear what these consisted of. Cheshire East had stated in the covering report that they would work with local stakeholders. This would be welcome as they had not previously worked with Prestbury Parish Council. Borough Cllr Findlow reported that he had insisted that proper consultation is held with the Parish Council. Cllr Burns stated that we have never been given answers on traffic flow, air quality, environmental issues and how this road would impact on travel flow through the village. It was agreed that Andrew Ross, Highways, CEC would be invited to attend a working meeting with the Parish Council.</p> <p>Cllr Burns also reported that the examination in public into the Local Plan should have lasted six weeks but it was stopped after three and an Interim report had just been issued by the Inspector today, but she had been unable to find it on the CEC website. She had heard that the Inspector was asking the principal authority to provide more houses in order to meet their high economic growth aspirations. Borough Cllr Findlow reported that the Inspector recommended a delay of six months to allow CEC to reconsider their plan. He had read some of the report and it would mean that more of the greenbelt could be lost and it was "grim" reading.</p>	<b>Clerk</b>
<b>127.</b>	<b>To receive progress on the Children's playground and developing proposals for a Scout Hut</b>	
	<p>Cllr Miles reported that work on the playground had started.</p> <p>Cllr Foden reported that the job was intended to take two weeks but there has been a problem which has put them back a bit. Cllr Miles intended to make a picture diary of the build.</p> <p>Cllr Ireland stated that there were three benches around the play park that needed to be restored and asked where they should be returned to after restoration. It was stated that two would go back in the same place and the third will be decided following the build. The official opening of the play park was anticipated for early in the New Year.</p> <p>Cllr Miles also reported that a meeting was being arranged in the new year about the Scout Hut with the Tennis Club, Squash Club and Scouts and she would report back at the February meeting.</p> <p>Cllr Ireland stated that he understood that the Youth and Scout groups were working together but the Scouts had said that this was a very loose arrangement.</p>	
<b>128.</b>	<b>To report progress on priorities for the future of the village</b>	
	Deferred until 9 <sup>th</sup> December	
<b>129.</b>	<b>To discuss the Xmas Lights and Party</b>	
	<p>Cllr Ireland requested that the Xmas Tree be delivered earlier than planned as the lights were going to be erected the following weekend. The Clerk agreed to arrange this.</p> <p>Cllr Miles reported that a Father Christmas outfit would need to be purchased but Cllr Ireland had an outfit which he kindly offered to lend to the Committee. She also reported that local businesses charities were entitled to a stall at no cost. Businesses from outside the village needed to pay £50 and food stalls were £75.00. There were 82 stalls at present. She had received a quote from a road management company of £850 which is less than first thought. The road would be closed from 12.30pm to 8.30pm. Police presence was required and the Clerk would find out the names of the officers who will be attending. The official charity for the event was the Royal British Legion.</p>	<b>Clerk</b>  <b>Clerk</b>

<b>130.</b>	<b>To receive a report from the Finance &amp; General Purpose Committee</b>	
	Deferred until 9 <sup>th</sup> December	
<b>131.</b>	<b>To note correspondence and decide which items to take action upon</b>	
	Cllr Leather reported that she felt that a letter from Paul Traynor, Strategic Commissioning Manager – Highways was factually wrong. The Clerk reported that a meeting had been arranged with Paul Traynor on the 16 <sup>th</sup> December and she could speak to him about this at that meeting.	

**Chairman**