

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF PRESTBURY PARISH COUNCIL
AT THE COUNCIL CHAMBERS ON TUESDAY 12TH SEPTEMBER, 2017
AT 7.30PM**

Present: Councillors: J Martin (Chairman), L Burns, G Clewley, V Herbert, J Hallowell, T Jackson, M Leather, K Miles, K Podmore, D Stanley.

Also present: Borough Cllr P Findlow

Item	Action
122. Apologies for absence	
Cllrs A Dicken, D Foden.	
123. Declarations of Interest	
None	
124. Public Participation	
<p>Geoffrey Sheppard, Friends of St Peter's Prestbury attended the meeting to introduce himself to the Parish Council. He originally came to Prestbury approximately four years ago. He moved from another rural village which had the same issues as Prestbury. He appreciates this wonderful village and wants to develop it and preserve it for future generations. That is why he started Friends of St Peter's. They had their first meeting in February. Their aims are to support the church and keep the church and village amenities for the future. They are considering projects at present.</p> <p>Cllr Miles commented that the Parish Council had been trying to reach out to the church for some time. The Working Party wished the Church to be involved in the planning of events within Prestbury would like to invite him to events planning meeting. Mr Sheppard stated that he would like to be included in these meetings.</p> <p>Borough Cllr Findlow reported that he and Cllr Leather had attended a Highways meeting in Poynton. The Scott Road waiting restrictions were scheduled to be installed in October. Cllr Leather also reported from that meeting that the Cobble Sets at Bridge Green would be inspected as they had deteriorated considerably. The Castle Court entrance would be re-tarmacked. Highways had agreed to send plan of works direct to the Parish Council. She had also requested that she be kept informed of the plans for storage of equipment when this moves to Middlewich.</p> <p>Both her and Borough Cllr Findlow requested that if anybody had any minor highway schemes they wished to be completed that they inform them so they could take it to the meetings. Borough Cllr Findlow also reported that the Rugby Club planning application was going to Strategic Planning in October. He did not know when the second half of the Local Plan would be completed.</p>	
125. To approve the minutes of the meeting held on 8th August	
<p>Cllr Miles proposed that the minutes of the 8th August be approved. Cllr Martin seconded the proposal All in favour Resolved: That the minutes of the 8th August should be approved as an accurate record and signed by the Chairman.</p>	

	Actions from meeting on 8th August	
	<p>Cllr Martin reported that the Bollin Grove flooding had been investigated by United Utilities and there were no water leaks. A discussion continued whether there was an underground spring and the camber of the road exacerbating the problem. Cllr Martin had also reported the matter to Highways. Cllr Leather requested another meeting with United Utilities and the Clerk agreed to arrange this.</p> <p>Cllr Martin also reported that the amended Bank Reconciliation had been sent to BDO.</p> <p>Cllr Herbert reported that the trees on the Shirley's car park were very overgrown and Cllr Martin agreed to pursue a meeting with ANSA to discuss the trees being trimmed.</p>	<p>Clerk</p> <p>Cllr Martin</p>
126.	Clerk's Report	
	The Clerk's report was noted.	
127.	Accounts for Payment and financial matters	APPENDIX A
	<p>Cllr Martin proposed that the accounts for August be approved for payment</p> <p>Cllr Stanley seconded the proposal.</p> <p>All were in favour</p> <p>Resolved: That the accounts for August should be sanctioned for payment.</p> <p>Cllr Martin re-iterated that three quotes must be obtained for all jobs when possible. The tender process was only for jobs over £30,000.</p>	
128.	To receive the reports from the Planning Committee – 9th & 30th August	
	<p>The Planning reports were noted.</p> <p>Cllr Jackson reported that the Brundred Farm application had been approved on appeal. There was a discussion concerning data on Air Quality and it was agreed that Cllr Leather would obtain quotes for potentially conducting such a survey in Prestbury.</p>	Cllr Leather
129.	To receive the PPC report on the Neighbourhood Plan	
	<p>Cllr Martin thanked the working party for all their work preparing this report and noted that this should be the benchmark for all future submissions.</p> <p>Following a lengthy discussion –</p> <p>Cllr Martin proposed that the Parish Council proceed to adopt a Neighbourhood Plan</p> <p>Cllr Miles seconded the proposal</p> <p>For – 2, against 7, abstention 1</p> <p>Resolved: that the Parish Council do not prepare a Neighbourhood Plan</p>	
130.	Update on the Car Park planning application	
	Cllr Podmore reported that an amended plan had been prepared at the request of the planner which had resulted in the loss of one car parking space, the disabled spaces been moved and more trees would be kept for screening. A date for a decision was still not known.	
131.	Update on Parrott's Field.	
	<p>Cllr Martin reported that all work on Parrott's Field was essentially finished but with the remainder of the Section 106 money he wished to obtain native bluebell bulbs. Volunteers were willing to plant; which Cllr Herbert would arrange. Following discussion it was decided to expand the purchase to include Snow Drops for variety and to extend the flowering season within Parrott's Field.–</p> <p>Cllr Martin proposed to purchase 3000-4000 native bluebell and snowdrop bulbs</p> <p>Cllr Miles seconded the proposal</p> <p>All in favour</p> <p>Proposed that 3000-4000 native bluebell and snowdrop bulbs be obtained from the remainder of the Section 106 money</p>	<p>Cllr Herbert</p> <p>Cllr Martin</p>
132.	Review of meeting to discuss flooding on Spencer Brook	

	<p>Cllr Leather reported that she had attended a meeting with Cheshire East Council (CEC) and residents of Spencer Brook and surrounding area. The drains at the Co-op had been blocked and they have now been jetted and cleared. They will also complete a camera survey. CEC reported that they were going to install a new drain at the bottom of Spencer Brook. At the same time they will also repair the cobble sets on the Co-op car park.</p> <p>There was also a discussion about inserting a mirror for cars exiting Spencer Brook but it was concluded that if the vegetation was trimmed back this would solve the problem. Cllr Leather agreed to approach the owner of the hedge that needs trimming to arrange this.</p>	Cllr Leather
133.	Christmas lights update	
	<p>Cllr Leather reported that she had met with Blachere and following discussion with them she would like to arrange for the lights to be strung along the buildings on New Road. She had spoken to some of the businesses but not all. There followed a discussion about lights being placed in trees which would remain in situ all year like in Wilmslow and Alderley Edge and she agreed to contact these councils to obtain information about this.</p>	Cllr Leather
134	Renewal of insurance policy effective 1st October 2017	
	<p>Three quotes had been received from Came & Co., brokers. Following discussion, it was agreed that a local company K Pettener & Co. would be contacted to see if they could beat the best quote from Came & Co. Cllr Martin would then purchase the best policy prior to the renewal deadline of 1/10/17.</p>	Cllr Martin
135.	Potential external funding for Shirley's Footpath	
	<p>Cllr Herbert reported that the "Friends of Prestbury" had applied for a grant from the Co-op for the improvement of Shirley's footpath. Friends of Prestbury have agreed that if successful they will devote the funds to the project and make purchases directly to thus mitigate the Public outlay. Cllr Martin thanks her for her efforts and for attempting to raise Private donations.</p> <p>She also reported that planting along the path would be completed in the second week of December.</p>	
136.	Next newsletter edition	
	<p>Cllr Martin agreed to complete the next newsletter as there were no other volunteers. He requested that if anybody had any articles to let him know by month end.</p>	Cllr Martin All
137.	To note correspondence and decide which items to take action upon	
	<p>Cllr Martin reported that he had been approached and informed that the concrete post on the path to the Bowling Club had corroded and was dangerous. He agreed to get quotes for a replacement post and sought consent to commission the work as Chairman if the cost is within the Chairman's expenditure limit because the item poses a danger rather than wait until the October meeting. This plan was accepted.</p> <p>E-mails had been received from the Tennis Club concerning overgrown trees and a pothole on the entrance to the Tennis Club. Following discussion it was agreed that if the Tennis Club wanted the trees trimming they should contribute and Cllr Leather agreed to report the pothole to Highways.</p>	Cllr Martin Cllr Leather

Chairman

