

Minutes of a meeting of Tabley Parish Council held on Monday, 18th May 2015 at Tabley Parish Hall

PRESENT

Councillor A Greenway (Vice-Chairman)

Councillors H Gurney-Smith, G Bowen, N Withenshaw, T Jackson, N Evans, D Bailey and S Wharfe.

Also Present:

Resident Mrs M Marchant, Mr T Wright, Cheshire East Councillor Olivia Hunter and Mrs. S Sherwood (Clerk)

The meeting commenced at 7.00pm

- **Councillors duly signed their Declaration of Acceptance of Office**

- **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

- **Election of Chairman.** Councillor Bailey despite being nominated did not wish to take the office for a further year. As no Chairman could be found for this meeting, Vice-Chairman Alan Greenway took the chair.

Councillor Greenway gave sincere thanks to Councillor David Bailey for all his hard work during his 5 years as Tabley Parish Council Chairman.

He also thanked Mr Tony Wright, who after 35 years service did not wish to be nominated for a further 4 years service to the Parish Council. During the 35 years he did serve, 15 of these were as Chairman.

- 3.1 **Election of Vice Chairman:** Councillor Greenway – proposed Councillor Bailey, seconded Councillor Withenshaw and carried unanimously.

- 3.2 **Responsible Financial Officer:** The clerk – proposed Councillor Greenway and seconded Councillor Withenshaw and carried unanimously

3.3 **Election of committee members**

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Planning	-	Councillor Bowen
Highways	-	Councillors Withenshaw
HS2	-	Councillor Evans
Police Liaison	-	Councillor Evans
Playing field (Amenities)	-	Councillor Gurney-Smith
Footpaths	-	Councillor Gurney-Smith and Councillors: S Carson

4 **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were received

5 **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 9th March 2015 be approved as a correct record.

6 **Public Participation – A period of not more than fifteen minutes were made available for the public to submit comments.**

1 member spoke - Mrs Marchant

- 6.1 Holly Grove Play Area wanted to know what progress was being made on the play area at Holly Grove. As Cllr Carson was not present, the clerk agreed to contact Mrs M Hodgkinson to establish where the plans are exactly up to.

- 6.2 Arrangements for residents during Cheshire Show. During the Cheshire Show event, residents cannot turn right into Pickmere Lane causing an inconvenience to residents. Cllr Evans appreciated her concerns, however traffic management is not within the Cheshire Show's control as this is in the hands of the police.

7 **Cheshire East Councillors report**

Councillor Hunter gave an update on CEC Local Plan and distributed and update to the Councillors. Concern was raised about the proposed extra 36,000 new homes and how local schools can accommodate the extra children.

8 Matters Arising

- **Play Area:** CEC advise that the area has been visited and the appropriate work has taken place. Cllr Gurney-Smith is to check and inform the clerk. **ACTION** Councillor Gurney-Smith
- **Holly Grove Parking** – Loveday Gimson (CPPHT) has advised that she is still looking into this problem. **ACTION:** Councillor Gurney-Smith is to forward photographs of the problem to the clerk
- **Banners at the Shell Garage** – It is understood that the excessive banners have been removed.
- **Damaged Bridge Budworth Road** – CEC advise that the work will be completed after the Cheshire Show. Concern was raised as due to the damage, the bridge is narrower than normal which could cause congestion in this area .
- **Street Lighting– A556.** CEC Street Lighting Department are aware of a private cable fault on the A556. Investigations are underway to repair.

9 Correspondence

A Buckles – interest in role of Parish Clerk.

10 Finance

10.1 To note the current financial position

Current Account	£ 3181.87
Business Premium Account	£ 542.31

10.2 To approve the following payments: -

- £167.00 – Sarah Sherwood Salary April and May 2015 Salary
- £33.00 – HMRC April and May 2015
- £325.93 – Aon UK Ltd – Annual Insurance
- £20.00 – Cheshire Community Action - annual subscription
- £18.00 – Cheshire County Playing Field Association – annual subscription
- £25.00 – Tabley Parish Hall – donation towards the Big Lunch.

RESOLVED: Financial report 18th May 2015 approved.

10.3 To adopt Accounts for the year ended 31st March 2015 and the Annual Return.

The accounts were adopted unanimously and signed by the Chairman and Clerk.

10.4 **Statement of Assurance.** It was agreed that the accounts had been prepared in accordance with current regulations and points one to eight listed in the Annual Return were each given a positive answer. Point nine was not applicable. The Chairman and Clerk then signed the appropriate section of the document.

11 To receive an update on A556 trunk road – Mr C Burrows

Mr Burrows gave an update on the progress of the new A556 highway explaining that Great Crested Newts are present and are being trapped and moved. Old Hall Lane to close after the Cheshire Show and should open prior to the show in 2016. Archeological digging has taken place and the result will be reported in the near future. Speeding vehicles are still causing a danger to the workmen. (The clerk had written to the police about this issue but no response received. This to be followed up). Cllr Wharfe raised his concerns about the number of hedgerows that are being removed. Mr Burrows advised that no extra hedgerow have been removed.

12 To receive Councillor Reports

12.1 **Newsletter** New newsletter to be produced incorporating the Big Lunch

12.2 **Manchester Airport** Councillor Bowen gave an update runway closures.

12.3 **Bus Stop Sign** This is fallen down. **ACTION:** The clerk to contact CEC Highways.

12.4 **Moss Lane** This roadway is in a very poor state **ACTION:** Clerk to contact CEC Highways.

12.5 **Overgrown Hedge** The hedge at the layby by the church is very overgrown. **ACTION** Clerk to contact CEC Highways.

12.6 Road surface The junction of Knutsford Road and A556 is in a very poor state.
ACTION Clerk to contact CEC Highways.

13 Planning

13.1 Delegated Powers. Delegated powers have been given to the clerk to respond on behalf of the Parish Council, however she asked if all responses could be sent to the planning chairman, Cllr Bowen who in turn will send the relevant response to her to be forwarded to CEC planning – **RESOLVED.**

13.2 To note the decision made by Cheshire East Council

Application 13/3336M construction of cattle and feed stores on existing agricultural land at Land off Moss Lane, Over Tabley

Parish Council recommendation: Objection.

Cheshire East Council Decision: registered application

- Application 14/3908M Bank Farm House, Tabley Hill Lane Conversion of two existing barns to provide four dwellings with associated landscaping and parking

Parish Council recommendation: no objection, but concerns.

Cheshire East Council Decision: approved with conditions / 07-May-2015

- Application 14/4997M construction of a new salt barn and accommodation for traffic officers at the Highways Agency Knutsford Depot – H A Motorway maintenance Depot, Northwich Road.

Parish Council recommendation: no objection.

Cheshire East Council Decision: registered application

- Application 15/0889M variation of condition 4 (temporary building) attached to planning permission 12/0745M. Temporary extension to the existing restaurant and outdoor seating area at Rose Garden Centre, Manchester Road

Parish Council recommendation: no objection.

Cheshire East Council Decision: registered application

13.3 To note any application received from Cheshire East Council

- Application 15/2013M extensions and alterations to Sudlow Farm, Sudlow Lane

14 To note Parish Council Vacancy.

This position is to be advertised and in no election called, then a candidate can be co-opted.

15 Date of next meeting

Wednesday 15th July 2015 at Tabley and Mere Parish Hall

Signed

Councillor Alan Greenway – Vice-chairman Tabley Parish Council