

Minutes of a meeting of Tabley Parish Council held on Tuesday 10th November 2015 at Tabley Parish Hall

PRESENT

Councillor H Gurney-Smith (Chairman)

Councillors: A Greenway, D Bailey, N Withenshaw, S Wharfe, S Carson, G Bowen and N Evans.

Also Present:

Resident Mrs J Hancock, Cheshire East Councillor Olivia Hunter and Mrs. S Sherwood (Clerk)

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:** T Jackson.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

No declarations of interest were received

3. **MINUTES OF PREVIOUS MEETING**

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd September 2015 be approved as a correct record.

4. **Report Knutsford Community Police – Lindsey Whitehead**

A report has been distributed with the one incident 02/11/15 – Theft from motor vehicle – Reported at 09:52hrs Chester Road, Tabley. Theft of number plates from LDV Tipper. No CCTV available. Happened over night between 22:00-06:00hrs.

Police surgeries are being held in the area, but none in Tabley.

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

No question raised.

6. **Report Cheshire East Councillor Olivia Hunter**

Councillor Hunter gave a brief report on the Winter Warming program. **ACTION:** Details to be sent to the clerk for inclusion in the next newsletter.

Mrs Judy Hancock raised concerns about the lack of parking facilities for the Church with the proposed de-trunked A556. **ACTION:** Cllr Hunter to speak with Simon Wallace and ask him to visit the site. When date arranged, the clerk to be notified so Parish Councillors can attend and support Mrs Hancock.

7. **Matters Arising**

- Bus Stop Sign Unsure if this has been repaired. **ACTION:** Still not repaired.
- Moss Lane This roadway is still in a very poor state.
- Overgrown Hedge This has now been cut.
- Road surface The junction of Northwich Road and A556 has been resurfaced however there is a ridge on the A556 northbound (this could be dangerous to cyclists). Also there are still gaps between the joints. **ACTION** Clerk to contact CEC Highways again
- Windmill Junction The clerk to follow up with Sergeant Miller to see what the outcome was regarding his discussion with Simon Wallace (CEC)
- Street Lights Work is being done by CEC, however lights are still not working from Knutsford Road to the Windmill.

8. **To note the current financial position**

8.1	Current Account	£ 3059.94
	Business Premium Account	£ 542.45

8.2 **To approve the following payments: -**

- £167.00 – Sarah Sherwood Salary June and July 2015 Salary
- £33.00 – HMRC August & September 2015
- £30.00 - RBL Poppy Appeal
- £25.00 – ChALC course re pensions.
- £35.00 – Mr R Mottershead – internal audit.

8.3 To approve the annual budget.

Following discussion the following items have been increased/added to the budget.

- Clerk increase in annual pay of £300.00. Total now £1500 per annum
- Donation to St Pauls Church yard increase of £50. Total now £350.00.
- Request from Knutsford Town Council to assist with the funding of the Citizens Advice Bureau as Tabley residents do use the facility. A donation of £250.00 be made for the forthcoming year.
- The clerk is to contact Zurich Town and Parish Council regarding the insurance to get a comparable quote and to include the play equipment. If there is any increase, then this can be met with current funds.

The total precept request for 2016/17 is £2760.00

9. Correspondence

- Councillor Gurney-Smith gave an update on the meeting with Crown Estate and informed that the Crown Estate are considering up to 750 new homes in the Knutsford area on Crown Estate Land. This is still in the proposal stage and no consultation or application yet received.
- Patricia Owen – regarding overgrown land on Moss Lane –**ACTION:** Investigation to find out who owns this land.

10. To receive Councillor Reports

Highways Councillor Bowen met with CEC highways to discuss the dangers at the junction of Budworth Road/Pickmere Lane. The response from CEC is that CEC cannot see a way of making the junction safer. The review of accident data (2 accidents in 5 years) does not justify any amendment at this moment. **ACTION:** The clerk to write to CEC expressing concern especially with the perceived increase in the volume of traffic when the new road is opened asking for preventative measures to be taken rather than waiting for accidents.

Holly Grove Play Area. Following consultation with the clerk and Pentagon, a grant was submitted to Big Lottery Fund and an offer of £9950.00 has been awarded to this project. The Chairman signed the grant offer which will be returned ASAP, and it is hoped once the grant is finalised the work can commence.

Superfast Broadband. Councillor Bowen has attended meetings regarding Superfast Broadband in Cheshire. It is hoped that Tabley will be covered by Superfast Broadband by summer 2017.

11. Planning

11.1 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 15/4428M Hawthorn Cottage, Moss Lane, Over Tabley, WA16 0PH - Variation of condition 4 and 5 (relating to occupancy) on approval 45393P – Bungalow (outline) for horticultural worker. **Parish Council recommendation:** No objection.
Cheshire East Council Decision: registered application
- Application 15/3839M Alterations and extensions to existing dwelling at 1 Sudlow Cottage, Sudlow Lane, Tabley
Council recommendation: No objection.
Cheshire East Council Decision: Withdrawn / 27-Oct-2015

11.2 To note the following planning applications:-

- **Application 15/4910M existing temporary construction site access to become permanent additional access to hotel at Cottons Hotel, Manchester Road, Knutsford**
- **Parish Council recommendation:** no objection.

12 Date of next meeting

Tuesday 12th January 2016 at Tabley and Mere Parish Hall

Signed
Councillor Helen Gurney-Smith – Chairman Tabley Parish Council