



## Goostrey Parish Council

The Village Hall

Goostrey

Cheshire

CW4 8PE

### MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD

ON TUESDAY, 12<sup>th</sup> DECEMBER 2017 at 7.30pm IN THE VILLAGE HALL, LOUNGE

Present: Cllrs Godfrey(PG)(Chairman), McCubbin (Vice-Chairman)(CMcC), Craggs (DC), Lenihan (GL), Morris(KM), O'Donoghue (IO), Rathbone (TR) & Williams (EW)

In attendance: Sharon Jones, Clerk to the Council, and 6 residents

- 12.17.1. Declaration of Interests:** To receive and minute any Declarations of Interest – The following interests were declared for Planning Applications : Cllr Craggs – Swallowdale Farm Nurseries.
- 2. Apologies for absence:** To receive apologies for unavoidable absence – Cllrs Bennett, Macfarlane & Kolker (CEC).
- 3. Minutes:** To approve & sign the Minutes of the meetings of 14<sup>th</sup> November 2017.
- **Resolved:** *The Parish Council resolved to accept the minutes of the meeting of 12<sup>th</sup> November as a true record of the meeting subject to a change TR proposed amendments to Part II - **To consider action relating to the Public Inquiry at 51-61 Main Road (agenda paper sent to Cllrs), which should now read:***  
*“TR thanked KM for his contribution to the Inquiry. TR commented on the comprehensive, high quality documents prepared by KM, the professional presentation of summaries and coping with cross examination at the hearing which required considerable personal effort and presence of mind by KM. The inquiry had run an extra day”.*  
*And to amend the Public Forum minute to read: “A resident remarked that CEC had published a newsletter and asked if it would not have been better to spend the money on the bus service that is being all but axed. AK responded that the newsletter cost was a one off and in future it will run at no cost (pilot scheme). He explained that the money could not have been diverted as the budgets are different”.*
- 4. Cheshire East Council Matters:** To receive a report on Cheshire East Council Matters. To deal with any questions by Members relating to the report and any questions by Members notified in advance to the Chairman and the CE Councillor.  
Cllr Kolker was not in attendance and therefore there was no report or discussion.
- 5. Committee Matters:** To receive reports from Committee Meetings held since the last PC Meeting.
- VHMC Budget Meeting - 16<sup>th</sup> November 2017 – The Clerk reported from the Meeting in Cllr Bennett’s absence. Minutes are available on the web site.
  - Finance Committee Budget Meetings on 23<sup>rd</sup> November & 12<sup>th</sup> December 2017 - IO reviewed the meeting on 23<sup>rd</sup> November and 12<sup>th</sup> December (minutes are posted on the website).  
EW expressed concern about the loss of free parking at Goostrey station.  
PG commented that the precept figure may make the council tax figure less this year than it was last year given the 2018/19 tax base. IO also proposed that the Parish Council make a £500 donation to the Scouts for organising the lights switch on in 2017, and to add £400 to the Amenities Christmas Lights budget for 2018/19 to allow for a £500 donation to the Scouts for the lights switch on event in 2018.  
**Resolved:** *The Parish Council Resolved to approve the £500 donation to the Scouts for the lights switch on in 2017.*

- Finance Committee requests the Parish Council considers the Budget for 2018/19 (and the following two years) for approval and submission to CEC.

**Resolved:** *The Parish Council resolved to approve the budget for 2018/19 of £44,012.00 including the increase of £400 for the Amenities Lights budget.*

- To agree on a process for responding to the Pre-budget Consultation 2018/21 by 12/1/18

**Resolved:** *Cllrs McCubbin and Morris will go to the meeting and will report back to the Parish Council on 9th January Parish Council Meeting and report to CEC by 12th January 2018.*

- 6. Planning Matters:** To receive a report from the Planning Committee Meetings on 12<sup>th</sup> December 2017  
Cllr Morris reported on the Planning Meeting of 12<sup>th</sup> December (Minutes published on the website).
- Should the Parish Council send a representative to speak at the Strategic Planning Board on 20<sup>th</sup> December with regard to the Sibelco application.
- Resolved:** *KM will look at the planning officers report tomorrow and if footpaths are not mentioned he will ask Roger Dyke to go to the SPB on 20<sup>th</sup> December.*
- 7. Financial Payments:** To approve payments in Schedules 12/17. Includes: Salaries & expenses.  
**Resolved:** *The PC resolved to approve the payments in Schedule 12/17.  
PG & CMcC signed the Payment Schedule.*
- 8. Clerk's Report:** To receive correspondence and report on actions from the previous meeting
- Actions from the last Meeting**
- Pre Budget report Consultation** – the report is now available for consultation and replies must be received before Jan 25<sup>th</sup> 2018. – **Action:** PC to review the report and respond if necessary
  - S106 Monies from Bloor Homes** – AK reported that the monies can come to Goostrey as they are not ring fenced for CW&C. The agreement was drafted a long time ago. AK will continue to chase.  
**Action:** KM will contact Patricia Evans. AK to provide e-mail address.
  - Clerk to extend invitation to the Speedwatch Meeting to the rest of the Council
  - Clerk to put an advertisement for applications for school governors for Holmes Chapel Comprehensive School on <http://Goostrey.info> if the vacancy still exists.

#### Correspondence

- david.giles@shell.com Christmas Lights Switch-on
- John Williams From John Williams
- Jayne Andrew Book your place now for our 2018 LCAS Risk Management seminars - Reminder
- Craig Brandreth Magazine
- TOWN AND PARISH COUNCILS [OFFICIAL] FW: Town and Parish Council Budget Consultation Event
- randa2@tiscali.co.uk Re: Dementia Friends information session
- RODWAY, Matthew [OFFICIAL] Station Road Goostrey
- Skinner, Helen RE: RE: 3166025 - Land adjacent to 51 Main Road, Goostrey, Crewe
- HULLAND, Nick [OFFICIAL] RE: 3166025 - Land adjacent to 51 Main Road, Goostrey, Crewe
- Beverley Giles Hut Rates
- Housing Policy CEC Cheshire East Council Housing Strategy Consultation
- Darren Neighbour RE: Burial Ground Transfer Ref Poole Alcock Solicitors:MA:GOO00138-006
- MARTIN & BARBARA Re: Willow on Manor Avenue
- SWINDELLS, Mark Cheshire East Council winter service decision for the evening of Tuesday 21<sup>st</sup> November
- Peter Mitchell Local burial provision
- BRUCE, Fiona Re: Letter regarding appeal 3166025
- BRUCE, Fiona Re: Letter regarding the NHS in the North West
- Steve Ranger ChALC representation
- Keir Powell-Lewis RE: Jodrell Bank Observatory - World Heritage Site Steering Group
- Steven Higginbottom Re: Graveyard and Village Maintenance
- Prime Minister's Office – NHS Funding in the North West

- 9. Highways & Speedwatch:** To consider any Highways & Speedwatch matters and to take any appropriate action.

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- Speedwatch update – The Clerk reported that the Speedwatch team will continue to run speedwatch sessions during the winter during the day and at weekends. The batteries will be replaced in the SDU on New Platt Lane and the life of the batteries will be monitored.
  - Update on Station Bridge – A survey of the depth of the carriageway over the bridge will take place on 14<sup>th</sup> December and it is anticipated that the works on the bridge project will commence around March 2018. **Action:** Clerk to request sight of the proposed plans when they are available.
10. **Local Policing:** To receive a report from Cllr Rathbone –TR attended the Police & Crime Commissioners (PCC) Liaison meeting on 5<sup>th</sup> December, where approximately 20 town and parish councils were represented. He reported that at present speeding and anti social behaviour were the main focus for policing and trained PCSO's can issue speeding tickets. Cheshire Constabulary will not be replacing PCSO's with police officers as has happened in other regions. The PCC has advertised for a protest observer, he is very keen on having an independent person reporting back to him on the behaviour of the police at protests. The PCC has asked his secretary to try to arrange liaison meetings so they do not clash with Parish Council Meetings.
11. **Matters arising from the Meeting with the Leader of CEC on 15<sup>th</sup> August 2017**
- Bus Service – To receive a report on the current status – CMcC  
CMcC reviewed the notes from the meeting on 29<sup>th</sup> November, which are published on the website.
  - Next Steps – Action: CMcC to arrange a meeting with AK to discuss next steps.
12. **Local Council Awards Scheme – PG**
- Motion: The Parish Council confirms that it publishes online the documents necessary to achieve the Foundation Award (for details see appendix)  
**Resolved:** *The Parish Council resolved to approve the motion.*
  - Further steps needed to achieve Foundation Award – PG  
PG explained that there were two more items to be completed for publication on the website before we can progress the application for LCAS basic status. The items are a training policy and training records. A meeting of the Staff Committee will be arranged before the January Parish Council meeting in order to raise the Training Policy for approval at the Parish Council meeting on 9<sup>th</sup> January 2018.
13. **Goostrey Village Archive -** To receive a report on the current status – CMcC.  
CMcC indicated that she was liaising with the Archive Group on their requirements for the Committee Room to make it suitable for the Archive Group to use. She was also awaiting input from the Rural Touring Theatre and Goosfest Contacts. **Action:** Clerk to ask for any comments to be sent to CMcC by the end of the week.
14. **Cheshire Fire Authority Draft Integrated Risk Management Plan 2018/19 (IRMP 15) Consultation**  
Do we wish to comment, comments are due by 2<sup>nd</sup> January 2018.  
**Resolved:** *The Parish Council resolved not to send a response to the consultation.*
15. **Minor Items & Items for the Next Agenda:** To take any points from Members and to note urgent items of interest.
- CMcC remarked that there are no Disabled Parking bays in the Station Car Park – **Action:** Clerk to contact Chair of Fogs to find out who to ask about disabled parking at the Station
  - The Clerk raised the gritting of the Village Hall Car Park and walkways in icy weather as it is dangerous for hirers and staff – **Action:** Raise with Village Hall Management Committee
16. **Date of Next Meeting:** To confirm the date of the next Meeting – 9<sup>th</sup> January 2017.
17. **Closure of Meeting:** The meeting closed at 21:20

### **Public Forum**

No comments were made in the Public Forum

*These minutes will be submitted for approval at the next meeting. Until then they are draft minutes.*

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Parish Clerk: Sharon Jones