



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD
ON TUESDAY 27th OCTOBER 2020 at 7.30pm by VIDEO CONFERENCE**

Present: Cllrs Morris (KM)(Chairman), Rathbone (TR)(Vice-Chairman), Beckham (NB), O'Donoghue (IO'D), Roberts (DR), Ross (CR) and Sulej (JS).

In attendance: Sharon Jones, Clerk to the Council and one member of the public.

- 10.20.1. Declaration of Interests:** Cllr Morris declared an interest in item 5 i) Amenities Committee meeting and item 14. Status of Bowling Hut Replacement Project, as he has a connection with the Congleton Food Bank and his wife is the treasurer of the VHPFF.
- 2. Apologies for absence:** Apologies for unavoidable absence were received from Cllrs Lord & Williams.
- 3. Minutes:** To approve and sign the Minutes of the meeting on 22nd September 2020.
Motion 1 - Resolved: *The Parish Council accepts the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting on 22nd September 2020 as a true record of the meeting.*
- 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.
This item was deferred to the next meeting as Cllr Kolker was not in attendance.
- 5. Committee Matters:** To receive reports from the Parish Council Committees (all minutes are available at <http://goostrey.info> under the Parish Council Documents menu item).
- i. **Amenities Committee Meeting – 29th September 2020 – Motion:** The Parish Council resolves to accept the recommendation of the Amenities Committee to donate £1,000 from the Amenities budget for the Seniors Lunch to the Congleton Food Bank.
- ii. **VHMC Meeting – 6th October 2020**
o **Motion:** *The Parish Council resolved to accept the minutes of the meeting of 6th October and all the resolutions therein.*
- iii. **Finance Committee Meeting – 13th October 2020**
o **Motion 2:** The Parish Council resolves to accept the report of Actuals vs Budget for Quarter 2 - 2020/21.
o **Motion 3:** The Parish Council resolves to accept the Unaudited Accounts for Quarter 2 – 2020/21.
- 6. Planning Matters:** To consider the planning applications received since the last meeting (minutes are available at <https://goostrey.info>).
- i. **20/4545C** – 19 Lea Avenue - Proposed Detached Garage. Comments due by 6th November 2020. **Resolved:** The Parish Council resolves to object to the application. (*See wording of the objection in Appendix 10/20 ITEM 6 – PLANNING MATTERS i) Applications*)
20/4110C - Brickbank Farm, Booth Bed Lane – Agricultural Machinery Shed. Comments due by 30th October, 2020. **Resolved:** The Parish Council resolves to object to the application. (*See wording of the objection in Appendix 10/20 ITEM 6 – PLANNING MATTERS i) Applications*).
- ii. **Applications received after the agenda for this meeting was issued** – review of applications to be added to the next Planning Meeting Agenda. None received.

- 7. Financial Payments:** To approve payments in Schedules 10/20. Includes: Salaries & expenses (payment schedules are available at <https://goostrey.info>).
- **Motion 4:** The Parish Council resolves to approve the payments listed on Schedule 10/20.
- 8. Clerk's Report – including Actions from the Last Meeting and Correspondence received** See Appendix 10/20 item 0.20.08 Clerk's Report in Appendix 10/20.
- 9. Highways & SpeedWatch –** To receive reports on any items of interest – TR & CR
- i. SpeedWatch Report October 2020 – TR drew members attention to the report provided (see Appendix 10/20 HIGHWAYS AND SPEEDWATCH i) Speedwatch Report) and indicated that SpeedWatch sessions were being held regularly.
 - ii. Response from CEC Highways regarding Average Speed Cameras – TR reported that CEC Highways has responded but they did not answer the question of whether they would support the installation if the cameras were funded by the Parish Council. A second mail has been sent to clarify this point.

- 10. Police Matters** To inform the PC of any key recent developments and to answer Councillors' questions. There was nothing to report except that the Police and Crime Commission is advertising the dedicated Police Officer and PCSO for the area.

The Clerk has met with the new PCSO Ade Chadwick and he is considering holding police surgeries in the Village Hall Car Park as they do in the Car Park at Holmes Chapel.

- 11. Chalc Annual Meeting 19th November 2020 via Zoom –** To consider the following motion to be submitted to ChALC for inclusion at the Annual Meeting.

Draft Motion to Submit to the ChALC Annual Meeting

"This meeting calls upon the Cheshire Association of Local Councils to lobby Cheshire East Council, including its contractors (such as Ringway Jacobs) to improve communications with Parish Councils by responding to emails, phone calls, voicemails and letters within 15 working days. Where answers cannot be provided immediately, a valid reason and a date for a full response should be provided."

Motion 5 : The Parish Council resolves to put forward the motion to lobby Cheshire East to improve communications with Parish Councils (as listed above).

- 12. Local Council Awards Scheme – Quality Award:** In addition to completing the application form the Parish Council must confirm by resolution at a meeting of the full council prior to submitting the application for the Quality Award.

Motion 6 : The Parish Council confirms by resolution that it has in place documentation that meets the criteria listed in Appendix 10/20 ITEM 10.20.12 – LOCAL COUNCIL AWARDS SCHEME – Quality Award.

- 13. Anonymous Correspondence Policy -** To consider adopting the draft policy for dealing with anonymous correspondence. (see policy at <http://goostrey.info>)

Motion 7 : The Parish Council resolves to adopt the Anonymous Correspondence Policy with immediate effect.

- 14. Status of Bowling Hut Replacement Project -** To consider adopting the following motion.

Motion 8: The Parish Council resolves to review the 'in principle donation' offered to the VHPFF in November 2019 to construct a new bowls hut, at its March 2021 meeting (ie at the end of the financial year). The Chair of the VHPFF to be invited to that meeting to provide an update on the current status, forward plans, timescales and level of support from bowls club members.

Action: Clerk to write to the Chairman of the VHPFF inviting him to present at the Parish Council Meeting in March 2021.

- 15. Minor Items & Items for the Next Agenda:** To take any points from Members and to note urgent items of interest.
- i. To consider holding the November Meeting as a Hybrid Meeting. **Motion:** The Parish Council resolved to continue to meet on Zoom in November 2020.
 - ii. To consider distributing a newsletter before the end of the year. **Motion:** The Parish Council resolves to send out a newsletter by the end of the year. **Action:** Clerk to advise councillors of the copy deadline.
 - iii. Sibelco Lorry Movements – To receive the report in the document pack - DR. See Appendix 10/20 ITEM 15 Minor Items & Items for the Next Agenda iii). **Action:** Clerk to add item to the newsletter asking residents to provide vehicle registration and haulier details when reporting incidents of lorries travelling through Goostrey so that these can be verified with Sibelco.

16. Date of Next Meeting: To confirm the date of the next Meeting – 24th November 2020.

PART TWO

MEMBERS OF THE PRESS AND PUBLIC ARE ASKED TO RETIRE.

In accordance with the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, as extended by the Local Government Act of 1972, the press and public are excluded from the meeting for the discussion of the undermentioned items on the grounds that the publication of the matters would be prejudicial to public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted.

17. Staff Matters - Clerk's Salary Increase

Motion 9: The Parish Council resolves to increase the Clerk's salary by 2.75% backdated to 1st April 2020 in accordance with the NJC agreed national increases for 2020.

18. Anonymous Correspondence – To consider the following motion with regard to the receipt of an anonymous letter.

Motion 10: Withdrawn

Action: IO'D to make enquiries to find out if the complainant would be willing to contact the Clerk to make a formal complaint.

17. Closure of Meeting: The Chairman closed the meeting at 20:50.

Public Session

A resident pointed out that the planning application on Lea Avenue said it was for a garage and it was in fact a workshop.

Minutes of the meeting remain draft until approved at the next meeting of the Council.

APPENDIX 10/20

ITEM 10.20.06. - PLANNING MATTERS i) Applications

20/4545c 19 Lea Ave – Garage/Workshop - Objection

The Parish Council believes that there is a 150mm diameter public sewer approximately 2m deep crossing the proposed site from the back to the front and parallel to the side boundary of the existing house. There is a general United Utilities requirement for “No building over or within 3m of the centreline of a public sewer.”

We also note that it is a large building 7.19m x 5.05m x 2.55m to eaves, so despite some tree screening, it will be visible from the rear gardens of 15 and 17 Lea Avenue and from the rear garden of “Wildacre” Birch Tree Lane which backs on to Lea Avenue. Those sides of the proposed building will not be clad, but just ‘exposed concrete blockwork’. As such, the design conflicts with Goostrey Neighbourhood Plan Policy VDLC1. For these reasons, the Parish Council objects to the application.

20/4110C – Brickbank Farm – Agricultural Machinery Shed - Objection



The Parish Council understands that the farmhouse and its 4-acre site are now residential. There are already large unused barns on the site and there is no explanation or justification given as to why another very large new barn is needed for agricultural machinery. It therefore appears to conflict with Goostrey Neighbourhood Plan Policy HOU1 because it is outside the village boundary in the Open Countryside. For these reasons, the Parish Council objects to the application.


ITEM 10.20.8. - CLERK’S REPORT

Actions from Last Meeting

- a. Clerk to notify AK of the dates given to Peak Associates for the Waste Site Visit. **Completed**
- b. Clerk to submit the response to the Government Planning Proposals on behalf of the Council. **Completed**
- c. Clerk to write to CEC Highways to request that CEC fund the Village Gates implementation. **Completed**
- d. Clerk to escalate the report of a resident being injured when tipped off their mobility scooter on Main Road to the Council’s CEC Highways contact. **Completed**
- e. Clerk to chase response from the Cheshire Constabulary and CEC regarding the letter about average speed cameras. **Completed**
- f. Clerk to add the Annual Plan ideas list to the agenda of the meetings of all committees for consideration, and response by the December Parish Council meeting. **Completed**

Correspondence

- a. Anonymous Letter
- b. CCA - Important Updated Information on Re-opening Village and Community Halls post COVID-19 closure
- c. SLCC Daily Digest
- d. CEC: [OFFICIAL] Parish Clerk Contact Details
- e. Alpha Accounting Solutions
- f. TWM) Re: Purchase Order for Checking SDU
- g. Virtual ChALC Annual Meeting 2020
- h. CCA QR Codes - Community Buildings and Village Halls
- i. Well Managed Highway Infrastructure- Receipt of Well Managed Highways - Consultation Response
- j. Parish Online New invoice from Parish Online #00EQ055-0003
- k. Peak Associates RE: A M Skip Hire Ltd. Brookbank Farm Site Visit
- l. Sibelco - Rudheath Lodge Community Liaison Meeting - 6th October Minutes
- m. National Association of Local Councils  CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S BULLETIN25/09/2020
- n. ChALC RE: Letter from Goostrey Parish Council regarding the response to Complaint 8434582
- o. National Association of Local Councils  REBUILDING COMMUNITIES
- p. CEC (Chief Executives Office) [OFFICIAL] Remembrance Sunday

- q. Information Commissioner's Office Latest news from the ICO
- r. CEC Highways (Councillor) [OFFICIAL] RE: Average Speed Cameras
- s. COMMUNICATIONS CHESHIRE EAST Cheshire East Council Corporate Plan consultations
- t. Goostrey Primary Head RE: Use of the Village Hall Main Entrance
- u. National Association of Local Councils  CHIEF EXECUTIVE'S BULLETIN02/10/2020
- v. ChALC Weekly Bulletin 02.10.20
- w. Resident RE: CEC Highways Enquiry Resolved - Blocked Drain
- x. PCC Office Correspondence ~[OFFICIAL]~
- y. ChALC RE: LCAS Quality Award
- z. ChALC ChALC Weekly Bulletin 9.10.20
- aa. Goostrey Scouts Re: receipt of donation
- bb. CCA Cheshire Community Action Annual General Meeting 2020
- cc. CEC Highways CEC Highways Enquiry Received - Enquiry 3407500
- dd. CEC (Chief Executives Office) [OFFICIAL] Remembrance Sunday
- ee. ChALC ChALC Weekly Bulletin 16.10.2020
- ff. Resident Re: Complaint relating to loss of Broadband Service following BT works on Main Road
- gg. GILBERT, Les (Councillor) FW: Congleton AHG - Friday 23 October 2020
- hh. Police Crime Commissioner Police & Crime Commissioner and Chief Constable Stakeholder Bulletin - 19 October 2020
- ii. PCSO Chadwick RE: [EXTERNAL] Goostrey Speedwatch Log Sheets 14,16 & 0/10/20 ~[OFFICIAL]

ITEM 10.20.10. - HIGHWAYS AND SPEEDWATCH i) Speedwatch Report

GOOSTREY PARISH COUNCIL SPEEDWATCH REPORT 09/09/2020 – 12/10/2020

| DATE & TIME | LOCATION | LOW SPEED MPH | TOP SPEED MPH | NUMBER OF VEHICLES LOGGED | TOTAL NUMBER OF VEHICLES PASSING |
|---------------------------|-------------------|---------------|---------------|---------------------------|----------------------------------|
| 09/09/2020 08.30- 09.30 | MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN | 35 | 38 | 5 | 247 |
| 11/09//2020 08.30 – 09.30 | MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN | 35 | - | 0 | 256 |
| 14/09/2020 08.30 – 09.30 | MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN | 35 | 35 | 1 | 221 |
| 15/09//2020 17.25 – 18.25 | MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN | 35 | 36 | 2 | 229 |
| 18/09/2020 08.30 – 09.30 | MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN | 35 | 37 | 2 | 234 |
| 21/09/2020 08.30 – 09.30 | MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN | 35 | 38 | 3 | 256 |
| 23/09/2020 08.30 – 09.30 | MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN | 35 | - | 0 | 254 |
| 25/09/2020 08.30 – 09.30 | MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN | 35 | 44 | 6 | 245 |
| 28/09/2020 08.30 – 09.30 | MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN | 35 | 42 | 3 | 259 |
| 30/09/2020 08.30 – 09.30 | MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN | 35 | 42 | 3 | 249 |
| 02/10/2020 08.30 - 09.30 | MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN | 35 | 38 | 2 | 265 |
| 05/10/2020 08.30 - 09.30 | MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN | 35 | 37 | 4 | 211 |
| 07/10/2020 08.30 - 09.30 | MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN | 35 | 41 | 2 | 239 |
| 07/10/2020 08.30 - 09.30 | MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN | 35 | 37 | 2 | 247 |
| 12/10/2020 08.30 - 09.30 | MAIN ROAD BOGBEAN | 35 | 36 | 2 | 231 |
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Report to Parish Council October 2020

Speedwatch Activity Summary GPC Current Year To-date

. Speedwatch sessions continue to be held using the revised procedures to comply with Corona protection requirements. Since the beginning of the Council year in April 2020 forty-seven sessions have been held. A total of 8713 vehicles have been monitored with 133 vehicles logged at 35mph and above. The maximum speed monitored is 47 mph (highest speed in this report period 44 mph). In this report period 1.01% of the vehicles monitored were travelling at 35mph and above. The comparative figures for 2019 and 2018 were 3.2% and 2.7% respectively.

TR 12/10/2020

ITEM 10.20.12. - LOCAL COUNCIL AWARDS SCHEME – QUALITY AWARD

This evidence is not posted online, the panel may ask to see the evidence if it is considered necessary. The council notifies the accreditation panel's co-ordinator when the resolution has been agreed and provides a completed application form, including webpage addresses to where the information can be found online.

The council also confirms by resolution at a full council meeting that it has:

GOVERNANCE

- Criteria demonstrating good governance in managing the business and finances of a council
- A scheme of delegation (where relevant)
- Addressed complaints received in the last year

COMMUNITY

- Criteria representing a council's role in the community and how it engages with the community
- At least two-thirds of its councillors who stood for election
- A printed annual report that is distributed at locations across the community

DEVELOPMENT

- Criteria representing council improvement through the management and development of staff and councillors
- A qualified clerk
- A clerk (and deputy) employed according to nationally or locally agreed terms and conditions
- A formal appraisal process for all staff A training policy and record for all staff and councillors

ITEM 10.20.15 – iii) MINOR ITEMS - SIBELCO LORRY MOVEMENTS

Cllr Roberts has received one report of a lorry carrying sand travelling through Goostrey from a resident. Unfortunately, the resident was unable to provide the registration number or any other identifying information. The Site Manager at the Sibelco quarry has checked the CCTV and there were no lorries which turned left out of the site around the time the resident saw the lorry pass through the village.

It is not possible to progress this complaint as there is no identifying information to connect the lorry with the Sibelco site.

There have been other reports from residents of neighbouring parishes regarding the lorry movements, but these are a matter for the respective Councils to progress with Sibelco.

At present we advise residents to take note of the vehicle registration number before reporting any incidents so that the vehicles can be identified with the Sibelco quarry.

We continue to keep a watching brief until we receive evidence that there have been breaches of the weight limit regulations through the village.

Any incidents of dangerous driving should be reported to Cheshire Police via their website.

SEJ 24/10/2020