

## **HENBURY PARISH COUNCIL**

Minutes of a Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 10<sup>th</sup> January 2022 @ 7.30pm at St Thomas Church Hall.

### **Part 1 Public and Press present**

#### **Present**

Councillor David Nuttall DN  
Councillor Mike Wood MW  
Councillor Richard Slater RS  
Councillor Simon Browne SB  
Councillor Jane Beeken JBE  
Councillor Lesley Smetham (Cheshire East) (arrived at 8pm)  
Kate Marsh – Clerk KM

#### **Public Forum**

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2 members of the public were present.

#### **22/01 Apologies for absence**

Cllr Janet Bayley

#### **22/02 Declarations of Interest**

None.

#### **22/03 Minutes**

**Resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> November 2021 be approved and signed as a true and accurate record. The minutes were signed by the chairman.

#### **22/04 Councillor Co-option**

Jane Beeken signed the Declaration of Acceptance of Office form. The Clerk will send the Register of Interest form to Cheshire East and inform them of the appointment.

#### **22/05 PCSO Report**

The report for December was circulated prior to the meeting and discussed.

#### **22/06 Cheshire East**

Cllr LS reported an increase in areas of deprivation in parts of Cheshire East with additional areas needing assistance via the Covid Support Grant.

The medium-term financial strategy is currently being consulted on with a final budget decision due on the 24<sup>th</sup> of February.

Highways are especially challenged with staff absence due to Covid.

There is due to be a 4.99% council tax increase with 1.99% ringfenced for Adult Social Care.

Cllr MW asked Cllr LS to raise the frustration of many residents with the length of time the roadworks have been going on the A535 culvert.

Cllr DN raised the issue of the 'no HGV' sign on Pepper Street and asked that confirmation would be sought from Cheshire East whether this would be going ahead.

## **22/07 Status Update on Major Development Planning Applications.**

- 19/3097M
- 19/3098M
- 19/3816M
- 19/5582M
- 20/5442M

19/3097M is now underway. There is still no conclusion on the Broken Cross roundabout condition. Issues have been highlighted by the Parish Council to Highways on the proposal for the junction. Cllr LS is going to report back to Highways that the wheel wash isn't being used on site. The Clerk is going to write to the Environment Agency to request an investigation into debris deposits at Bag Brook. There are still gaps in the fence along the site boundary, the clerk will report these to the HSE. The Clerk will write to Archaeological Research Services and query when they will be available for a tour of the site, as per their report.

There is a complaint outstanding on how the materials management plan was handled for 19/3097M. This is now at stage two of the complaints process.

19/3098M is being appealed but there is still no case ID for this.

19/3816M there is no update.

There is no agenda out for the strategic planning meeting in February yet.

20/5442M Cllr LS is going to query why there is such a delay in the application coming to committee.

- 21/0289M

Revised plans have been submitted. The number of houses has increased to 14 with no further social housing allocated. There will be no access via Pepper Street. Not enough allocation has been allowed for commercial car parking spaces.

## **22/08 Millennium Green Trust**

Cllr SB gave an update. The fruit trees will be planted over the next couple of months from the Community Orchard Fund. A bit of repair work is needed on the path down to the bog area due to a blocked drain. A couple of trees have fallen which have been cleared.

## **22/09 Village Housekeeping and Broadband**

It was agreed with Open Reach that the Parish Council would endeavour to engage with residents to see whether any other houses would sign up to the broadband scheme. Cllr MW suggested that a newsletter is written to all houses with details of the work of the Parish Council and to try and get new houses signed up to the broadband scheme. It was agreed that Cllr MW would explore a way to resolve this with Open Reach in order to be able to make a final decision at the Parish Council meeting in March.

Cllr DN is getting a quote for the bus shelter repairs.

Dark Lane flooding. Cheshire East Highways have been out and reported that the problem was the drain into the field which belongs to the landowner. The highways engineer is going to contact the landowner in this regard.

A request is going to be made to the Cheshire East flood risk team asking for an update with the Henbury-Whirley footpath issue.

### **22/10 June 2022 Jubilee Celebrations**

It was agreed that the parish council would support any celebrations that residents request but would not be directly organising a celebration.

It was agreed a piece would go in the newsletter to ask for volunteers to help organise an event on the Millennium Green.

The Trustees of the Millennium Green would be happy to provide the space for an event to occur and would work with the organising committee.

### **22/11 Environmental Project**

Cllr SB has put a piece on the website asking for any landowners who would like to plant hedgerows and trees.

### **22/12 Review of Trees**

The planning department have confirmed the TPO does not exist on the sycamore on High Tree Drive. Work can be done on this and will be organised before the Spring.

### **22/13 Road Safety / Speed Limits**

No update.

### **22/14 Footpaths**

Henbury to Whirley footpath – covered under ‘village housekeeping.’

Footpath 7 – No update.

Permissive Path – Cllr SB is going to organise a meeting with the landowner to confirm the exact line the path will take.

### **22/15 Highways.**

A537, Chelford Road, Monks Heath, Broken Cross.

The pothole on the corner of Church Lane will be reported to Highways.

### **22/16 Accounts**

To note the balance of accounts = £27,575.10

#### Payments for approval

001006 £77.88 Church Hall Wi-Fi

001007 £85.00 David Richards

001008 £123 Ivy Cottage Tree Farm (Christmas Tree)

001009 £352.74 Clerk Salary

001010 £48.40 HMRC

001011 £540 LCS Landscapes

001012 £248.74 Clerk Salary

001013 £48.40 HMRC

001014 £240 David Richards

**Resolved** the above payments be approved and signed for as a true and accurate record.

#### Receipts

£244.94 Cheshire East CIL payment.

£110 PCC Community Orchard

**Resolved** that the bank reconciliation was approved and signed.

**22/17 Planning Applications**

*Nil*

**22/18 Clerk's Report / Parish Council Housekeeping**

Nil.

**22/19 Member's Report**

Nil.

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**The next meeting will be the on 9<sup>th</sup> March 2022 @ 7.30pm.**

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**Meeting closed at 9.45 pm.**