

## MINUTES OF A MEETING OF NORLEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON WEDNESDAY 21<sup>ST</sup> JUNE 2017 IN NORLEY METHODIST CHURCH

**PRESENT:** Councillors: Deryn O'Connor (Chair), Ann Crawford, Ken Fayle, Dennis Ford, Terry Harvey,  
Anne Querelle, Ian Stockton (from 7.10 pm), Mont Sturt, Jon Wild

Gaynor Hawthornthwaite (Clerk)

There were three members of the public in attendance.

**1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

No apologies received.

**2. DECLARATIONS OF INTERESTS**

There were no interests declared.

**3. PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME/OPEN FORUM**

No members of the public wished to address the Council.

After discussion about the time that members of the public should be allowed to speak at PC meetings, it was agreed that there should be no set time limit and should be at the Chair's discretion.

**4. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF NORLEY ANNUAL PARISH MEETING HELD ON 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2017**

These were agreed as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

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**6. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES OF NORLEY ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 8<sup>TH</sup> MAY 2017**

- The PC has not yet received an invoice for the Grit Bin on Gallowsclough.
- The painting of the yellow lines at Hatchmere now has a job reference number and a response is awaited from CW&C Highways about the speed limit review following the consultation.  
**Action – Clerk to follow up with CW&C Highways**
- There has been no progress on the alternatives to the bollards that are around the green triangle at the bottom of Maddocks Hill.  
The PC expressed their concern about the lack of progress on the highway issues around the village. As precept funds have already been collected for the traffic calming measures, it was agreed that this should be discussed with the newly elected MP and Councillor Oultram, the Ward Member.  
**Action – Clerk to send a list of the 2017/2018 meeting dates to Councillor Oultram and to follow up the options for the Green Triangle with CW&C Highways.**
- The PC were not aware whether or not the Street light that wasn't working at the bottom of Maddocks Hill has now been fixed.
- A new grid has been installed at the bottom of Maddocks Hill to clear the flooding issue.
- The hedge around The Paddock at the top of Marsh Lane Junction/School Bank has been cut, but as a result there are now more leaves and twigs in the gutters which need to be cleared.  
**Action – Clerk to follow up the clearing of the gutters at Marsh Lane junction/School Bank and outside the Tigers Head public house with CW&C Street scene.**
- There has been no update on the planning application at the site of the Jewish School.
- Sharon Marshall, CW&C Rural Localities Officer has confirmed that the dog waste bin to be located at the top of Marsh Lane/Cow Lane has been processed and will be located on site soon.
- Progress is being made on the Memorial Garden. Some planting, weeding and mowing has taken place and there is to be a working day this Saturday and on 23<sup>rd</sup> July.  
It was agreed that the PC should consider this item again once the garden has been in place for a full year.  
**Action – Clerk to note as an agenda item for the November meeting.**

**7. HEDGE CUTTING AND FOOTPATHS**

The PC expressed concern about the maintenance of overhanging hedges and footpaths around the village and agreed it should be discussed further at the next meeting when the Village Map and Neighbourhood Plan map are available so that the hedges and footpaths could be identified.

**Action – Clerk to provide the Village Map and Neighbourhood Plan map at the next meeting and to obtain a contact for the Management Company of the new houses.**

**8. PLANNING**

The following planning applications had been received and were considered by the PC:

- **17/02348/FUL** The Brackens Delamere Road Norley Northwich Cheshire WA6 6NG - Proposed two storey extensions to replace single storey outrigger – The PC had no objections.
- **17/02354/FUL** Nursery Cottage Delamere Road Norley Northwich Cheshire WA6 6LZ - Replacement dwelling and detached garage (Amendment to 16/05531/FUL)– The PC had no objections.

**Decisions**

- Notification of Decision - 17/01307/FUL - Home Farm Cottages Norley Lane Crowton Northwich WA6 8NL: Single storey rear and single storey side (garage) extension – Approved

**9. CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE**

The Clerk reported on the following:

- Website – The Clerk is to attend website training with Rabbitdigital on Saturday 24<sup>th</sup> June and is to update the website with the minutes of meetings, list of meeting dates, planning applications, Norley Newsletters and the newly appointed Clerk's details.
- An invite has been received from the Police and Crime Commissioner to attend a Town and Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 25<sup>th</sup> July at 6.30 pm at Weaverham Community Centre.

**10. FINANCIAL MATTERS**

The Clerk had circulated the accounting report, detailing the balance on the account, to PC members with the agenda

The following cheque was approved and signed:

- Clerk's May Salary (20 hours) - £214.80 (gross) £171.84 (net) – Mrs G Hawthornthwaite

**11. ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

The following items were reported:

- Councillor Crawford mentioned that CW&C have now agreed that the Scouts can spray sighted incidents of dog fouling around the village with pink paint, which will then be cleared up by the CW&C Street Cleaning Team. It may be that additional cans of the pink spray will be needed. The PC agreed to fund any additional cans of spray that are required.
- Further information on the grants and funding that are available for Broadband continues to be followed up. It was agreed that a representative from Connecting Cheshire should be invited to attend a PC meeting to provide further information.  
**Action – Clerk to invite Andrew Arditti to the next PC meeting**
- Councillor Ford reported on the overhanging mature trees on the road at the entrance to School Bank and asked for clarification on the boundary distance of permitted development rights.  
**Action – Clerk to report and follow up with CW&C Highways and Planning.**
- Councillor Crawford asked about the clearing of the Japanese Knotweed that is growing on the common land and the Himalayan Balsam and asked whose responsibility it is to clear the weeds.  
**Action – Clerk to follow up with Jason Lambert, CW&C Environmental Officer.**
- Councillor Sturt asked about the progress of the ordering of the planters for the bottom of Gallowsclough.  
**Action – Clerk to follow up.**

The meeting closed at 8.00 pm

