

Cheddleton Parish Council

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN THE WETLEY ROCKS
VILLAGE HALL, WETLEY ROCKS ON TUESDAY, 20th. FEBRUARY 2018.**

ATTENDANCE Chairman – Councillor M.T. Bowen.

Councillor – J.G. Arnold, J. Carr, G. Furnival, Mrs. D.A. Hartley, K. Harvey, Mrs. B. Hine,
H.R. Jennings, Mrs. C.M. Meyrick, Mrs. A. Oakden, S. Scalise, H.J. Tunna.

APOLOGIES Apologies for absence were received from:-

Councillor – M. Ahmad, Ms. C.Y. Ball, Mrs. C. Latham, P.A. Latham, M.P. Worthington.

**4875 CO-OPTION – INTERVIEWING OF TWO APPLICANTS TO FILL THE VACANCY
ON THE CHEDDLETON WARD OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**

A copy of the two applicants' letters/applications had been issued for members perusal and consideration. The two applicants were in attendance and on the request of the Chairman they introduced themselves – Mr. G. Furnival gave a brief account of his experience in computing and technology and his reasons for applying for the vacancy. Mr. J. Smith also gave a brief account of his experience in horticulture, his involvement with the P.C. and offering his services in promoting local events - his reasons for applying for the vacancy. Following a number of questions raised with the applicants; both Mr. Furnival and Mr. Smith left the meeting. Councillor Tunna asked members to consider what Mr. Smith had done over the years and the work that he was still doing. This was endorsed by Councillor Mrs. Meyrick. Councillor Harvey asked members to consider the technology that Mr. Furnival could offer which the P.C. needs. On the request of the Chairman; the vote was taken by a signed ballot; the ballot papers were counted and by 6 votes to 5 Mr. G. Furnival from Wetley Rocks was duly declared co-opted onto the Parish Council. Mr. Furnival duly signed his declaration of acceptance of office and took his place around the table. Mr. Smith was thanked.

4876 MINUTES The minutes of the meeting of the 16th. January 2018, taken as read, were confirmed as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

4877 MATTERS ARISING THEREFROM There were no matters arising from the minutes.

4878 ANNOUNCEMENTS The Chairman asked the members of the Planning committee to stay behind at the end of the meeting to consider a planning application. He advised that he was happy to report that the LDF/Plan had been passed as sound and would now go out for further consultation. There had been a number of planning applications submitted these were opportunist and he was pleased that the LDF was now nearing completion.

4879 MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST There were none issued at this time.

4880 MEMBERS' SEC. 33 DISPENSATION REQUESTS None had been received.

**4881 ASYLUM BURIAL GROUND – QUOTE TO POWDER COAT THE GATES AT THE
ENTRANCE TO THE CEMETERY**

Awaiting quote – Forward Agenda Item.

4882 QUOTES TO LAY FLOORING IN THE GENTS & LADIES TOILETS – C.C.

Three quotes had been obtained:- Smithfield Carpets – to prepare and screed the floor in both toilets £318.40, to straight fit safety flooring £894.40, to fit and cove safety flooring £1439.20. J.T. Shakespeare – to apply smoothing compound. Supply and lay Altro Xpresslay, options as follows:- Flat laid £1479.61, covered up the walls 100mm £1983.50. They are suggesting the use of the Altro Xpresslay as there does not appear to be a damp proof membrane within the subfloor. They would normally have to apply one, which does cost extra. Altro Expresslay is loose-laid and does not require a damp proof membrane. DGH Decorators – to prepare floor areas ready to receive a latex screed floor finish to enable a secure flat lay of Polysafe flooring. To fit Polysafe flooring in “Twilight” design and set firm using heavy duty adhesive to an area of 12 square metres to each toilet. Ladies and Gents toilets will need to be sectioned off during the latex screed filling and the Polysafe fit – All for the sum of £690 + V.A.T. (Gents £345 and Ladies £345.) Councillor Harvey questioned if there was a guarantee with the quote received from DGH Decorators. The Clerk advised that none of the quotes stated this but if required she would obtain it in writing. Following discussions proposed by Councillor Jennings and seconded by Councillor Tunna it was resolved:- to accept the quote from DGH Decorators and appoint the company to fit the Polysafe flooring in the Ladies & Gents toilets at a total cost of £690 + V.A.T.

4883 QUOTE TO REMOVE THE OLD URINAL AND MAKE GOOD THE AREA IN THE GENTS TOILETS AND TO BOX IN THE WATER OUTLET IN THE LADIES TOILET – COMMUNITY CENTRE

It was put that to quote for the above work was difficult at the present time because, at this point, the extent of the work was unknown. Until the work starts and the old gents urinal is taken out it was unknown as to how much work would be required to fill and make good the wall and the floor. At this point it could only be estimated at around £500. Following discussions proposed by Councillor Jennings and seconded by Councillor Tunna it was agreed unanimously to accept and agree the works; at an estimated cost of £500 and if necessary; to give delegated powers to the Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Clerk to increase the expenditure.

4884 QUOTE TO INSTALL TWO GENTS URINALS – COMMUNITY CENTRE

Members attention was drawn to the minutes of the CCMC committee meeting and the costings. A quote from the Council’s plumber Mr. C. Knight had been obtained. The cost to purchase two new urinals and a new cistern (which would be required) and the sparge pipes would be £310 including V.A.T. To remove the old cistern and pipework and fit the new cistern, urinals and new pipework, with two visits, would be £280. Following discussions proposed by Councillor Scalise and seconded by Councillor Tunna it was agreed unanimously:- to accept the quotes and appoint Mr. Knight to carry out the work.

4885 QUOTE TO REPLACE THE KEY PAD – BURGLAR ALARM, C.C.

Still Awaited.

4886 PARKING – COMMUNITY CENTRE CAR-PARK

Members attention was again drawn to the parking situation at the C.C. and the need to consider how the Council operate the car-park especially when it affects the Caretakers who have to unlock the gate, to let someone out, after it has been locked for the evening. When an event is held at the school; hirers find it difficult to find a parking space because of parents parking. The School had been asked to give the Caretakers notice of events but this was never done. During inclement weather conditions not only do the parents park but Staff and Dinner ladies use the C.C. rather than use the school car-park. It now seemed that everyone thought it was their right to park. A number of suggestions were put including putting stickers on the cars, asking the PCSO to have a quiet word and locking the gates. Following discussions members were asked to consider how the car-park should be operated in time for the next scheduled meeting of the C.C.M.C.

4887 MOORLANDS HOME LINK – REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The correspondence was read:- asking if the P.C. would be able to offer any financial assistance to help the elderly support group in Cheddleton. The Group meets each Friday at the St. Andrew's Methodist Centre in Cheddleton where they enjoy a home-cooked meal, company and entertainment. Following discussions proposed by Councillor Bowen and seconded by Councillor Tunna it was agreed by 8 votes to 3 to give a donation of £100.

4888 CHEDDLETON CARNIVAL COMMITTEE – REQUEST FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE

The correspondence from Cheddleton Carnival Committee was read:- Writing to enquire as to whether the P.C. would consider assisting them with the costs incurred in respect of their fundraising event held in the village on the 25th. November 2017. The Council's support would be extremely helpful in their continuing efforts to raise funds for Cancer Research UK. Following discussions proposed by Councillor Tunna and seconded by Councillor Arnold it was agreed unanimously: to give a donation of £120.

4889 REPORTS OF COMMITTEES AND OUTSIDE BODIES The Council examined the reports of the following committees and adopted their recommendations:-

a. Cheddleton Playing Field Committee Meeting

b. Community/Craft Centre Management Committee Meeting.

Re. Min. 2979. Provision/Purchase of Replacment Vertical Blinds – The Creche and Room 1. The Clerk asked for the item to be left in abeyance pending an inspection by the committee. This was agreed.

c. Planning & Amenities Committee Meeting.

Re. Min. 2385. Public Question Time – Planning Application 0004 Land between Folly Lane and Cheadle Road. Councillor Bowen updated members – there was nothing significant to report only that this was a major development and it would have to go to committee. He would keep the Council informed of the timescale.

Re. Min. 2388. Reinstatement of Land in Station Road Councillor Bowen reported that he had spoken to Ben Haywood and he would make sure that this is dealt with urgently.

d. Footpaths & Countryside Committee Meeting.

Re. Min. 1839. Purchase of a Stihl Petrol Strimmer – CPI Bid/Grant of £370

It was reported that as requested Councillor Harvey and Mr. Smith had been to PJS in Leek and rather than a Stihl FS70 with a 2 stroke engine at a cost of £362 + £22 for the blade they had recommended the purchase of a 435 Honda with a 4 stroke engine, including the blade at a cost of £420 including V.A.T. The Council would also need the Trousers, Visor, Goggles at a cost of £106 + a roll of wire at a cost of £28 per roll. The annual service would be £36 per. year. Following discussions proposed by Councillor Arnold and seconded by Councillor Jennings it was agreed unanimously to purchase the 435 Honda and the equipment needed to carry out the work required on the Public Rights of Way.

e. Reports of Outside Bodies.

There were no reports issued.

4891 CORRESPONDENCE

- a. S.C.C., Mr. B. Allen – Re. the Basford Canal Bridges and the damage being sustained, you will appreciate that the road network in the Basford area is not ideal for large vehicles. Also, although there are weight restriction signs on Basford Bridge Lane, these are being ignored and policing them is difficult. He has sent an email to their local Community Traffic Management Officer giving details of the above bridges and signage, and have included possible physical measures. He has asked for her comments and thoughts, so when he receives her response, he will get back to the Council. It was reported that the buses do go over the bridge twice a day and have done so for many years. It was put that what was needed was signage and a weight restriction on the bridges mainly because of the HCVs and the Tractors.
- b. Councillor J. Arnold – Re. the Battle's Over – A Nation's Tribute & WW1 Beacons of Light – copy of an email for information re. getting the school and church involved.
- c. CPRE – Urgent call for Case Studies as the Rural affordable housing will be a priority campaign for CPRE in 2018. Question was raised as to why they need case studies when at the D.C. it stays and should stay affordable for the life of the house.
- d. Amey, Highways Team – Ref. 4097188 white lining, Wetley Rocks. Advising that it not currently considered to be a risk to public safety and no works will be carried out at this stage.
- e. S.M.D.C. – Commercial Waste Service charges 2018-19. The C.C. Bin £822.63 + Burial Ground bin £582.39. The Duty of Care and Service agreement for both to be filled in and returned. Before filling in and returning the Clerk to ascertain if there was another provider who could offer a cheaper rate with the same service.
- f. E.ON – Giving notice that the Council's fixed price contract for the gas at the C.C. & Craft Centre ends on the 14th. June 2018 – asking the Council to get in touch to consider renewing. The Clerk advised that she would investigate the cost of the gas from other suppliers before renewing.

4892 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

It was reported that there was a noisy grid cover on the A520 Cheadle Road – opposite the vets where the road dips. The Clerk would report.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.

Chairman,
20th. March 2018.