

Cheddleton Parish Council

**MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN
THE CRAFT CENTRE MEETING ROOM ON TUESDAY, 5th. JUNE 2018.**

ATTENDANCE Councillor – M. Ahmad, Mrs. C.Y. Ball, M.T. Bowen, Mrs. D.A. Hartley
H.R. Jennings, Mrs. C.M. Meyrick, Mrs. A. Oakden, S. Scalise, H.J. Tunna,
M.P. Worthington.

APOLOGIES Apologies for absence were received from:-
Councillor – J. Carr

2440 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

Councillor Jennings, proposed by Councillor Bowen and seconded by Councillor Tunna, was duly elected Chairman for the ensuing year.

2241 ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN

Councillor Mrs. Meyrick, proposed by Councillor Ahmad and seconded by Councillor Bowen was duly elected Vice-Chairman for the ensuing year.

2442 Attendance of PCSO Steve Sherratt and colleague.

The main reason for their attendance was the incident that had taken place at Cheddleton Playing Fields on Saturday night/Sunday morning where somebody had set fire to the zip wire. The Fire Brigade and Police both attended. The incident is still under investigation.

He went on to let the Committee know that there was a charity football match taking place on 11th July 2018 at Pointon's Football Pitch to raise money for the schools and the Dogs Trust Charity and welcomed any support from them. A further event is taking place at Hope Dale Care Home in August to introduce them to the Junior Cadets to try and build bridges with the youngsters so that they don't have such a negative view of the Police. Steve went on to mention the regular surgeries that take place at the Tea Rooms by himself, Ashley Goodwin and Laura Peacock the other two PCSO in the area. He also advised that Staffordshire Moorlands is the safest area to live in although there have been several incidents recently involving fires. He talked about the wood fire on the Playing Fields but that the culprits had received Community Penalty notices but that this last incident if it was proved to be arson the crime carries as much as a life sentence. He appealed for anyone who had witnessed the incident to come forward as soon as possible to aid the investigation. Councillor Scalise reported that he had visited the playing fields and had spoken to some children who stated that they had seen 3 youths with petrol cans the night it happened so he would encourage them to come forward with this information.

Steve then went on to discuss the possibility of using the mobile at the Community Centre to store bikes and have access for comfort breaks. It would also be somewhere that they could meet people to discuss things rather than at the Police Station. It was put that this would be a good idea and it was agreed to provide Steve with a key to the mobile, the toilets in the C.C. and a key to the gate as it would be a good thing for the community to have a partnership with the Police and it would mean that they would spend more time in the village. Councillor Jennings suggested that it might be an idea for the Investigating Officer to go on Facebook. Councillor Bowen stated that he was in discussions with Vicky Ellis at Staffordshire Moorlands about obtaining a PSPO for the Playing Fields which Steve thought was a good idea. At that point Steve and his colleague left the meeting. It was suggested that they sign in and out when using the mobile to ascertain how much they use it.

- 2443 **MINUTES** The minutes of the meeting of the 1st. May 2018, taken as read, were confirmed as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.
- 2444 **MATTERS ARISING**
Re. Min. 2426. Development of 8 dwellings at Cheddleton Park Avenue Councillor Bowen reported that he had spoken to Jane Curley at SMDC she hadn't heard anything further from Salmons Architects but that County Highways had also been approached about another access road but as yet there had been no response. He had also spoken to Dai Lerner who will be investigating why the land had been removed from its previous Visual Open Space status.
- 2445 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME** There were no members of the public present.
- 2446 **MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
No declarations of interest.
- 2447 **CORRESPONDENCE**
- a. Nat West Bank - New Privacy rules as a result of the new legislation GDPR.
 - b. Karen Bradley, MP - S.M. Senior Tea Dance - Friday, 29th. June 2018, between 3pm. and 5pm at Biddulph Town Hall. All are welcome.
 - c. S.C.C. Report 4119883 re: Trees on The Oval, the inspector has visited the site and noted that the trees look in good health as all are in leaf.
 - d. Westminster Briefing - Neighbourhood Planning: Policy and Practice. Central London on Thursday, 13th. September 11am to 3.30pm and General Data Protection Regulations Event on 12th. June 2018 in London if anyone was interested in attending.
 - e. Sovereign - Safety Surface at Cheddleton Playing Fields they acknowledge receipt of the photographs and advise that one of their Inspectors will visit the site and they will advise in due course of what action they propose to take.
 - f. Earth Anchors - acknowledging receipt of the order for the notice board for Plough Bank.
 - g. Seafarers - help raise awareness by flying the Red Ensign on a civic building or flagpole on the 3rd September 2018. It was agreed to take no action
 - h. Sovereign will make a site visit to look at the Safety Surface at Cheddleton Playing Field during week ending 22nd. June 2018. The clerk will meet the inspector on site.
 - i. SLCC & ALCC – Clerk's pay scales - Letter informing of a 2% increase in pay backdated to the 1st. April 2018. It was agreed implement the increase backdated to the 1st. April.
 - j. Waterplus – they have identified an issue with the Water Meter at the Community Centre so an engineer will visit the property and sort out the problem or replace it if necessary.
 - k. SLCC - Information regarding CiLCA Course but Louise will need to put this on the agenda for discussion if she wishes to take this up.

2448 BUILDING MATERIALS - CRICKETS FARM

It was reported that planning permission had been granted for the use of this building as a games room. Question was raised as to why? Councillor Bowen agreed to take the matter up with the S.M.D.C. to query the permission and the use of the building.

2449 SPECIES AND SITING OF MEMORIAL TREE -ST EDWARD'S LAWN CEMETARY

Councillor Bowen suggested a couple of varieties of Acer but siting had yet to be considered. The Clerk reported that the family hadn't yet responded and it was unknown as to whether they had visited the cemetery and wished to proceed. Left in abeyance. Forward Agenda Item.

2450 INSTALLATION OF BOLLARD - ST EDWARD'S LAWN CEMETERY

Members' were advised that Mr. B. Heath had been asked to install the bollard as he was the best person for the job. Councillor Tunna reported that he had delivered the Bollard to Basil.

2451 ACKNOWLEDGEMENT PLAQUE - WORDING

The Clerk had obtained two quotes for the plaque one in Perspex at a cost of £20 + V.A.T. and one in Stainless Steel at a cost of £50 + V.A.T. Following discussions it was agreed to purchase a Stainless Steel plaque with the following inscription Cheddleton Parish Council wishes to acknowledge and thank the Sutton Family for laying the tarmac at the entrance to the lawn cemetery 'In Memory of 'Mr. Peter Sutton' who was laid to rest in the St. Edward's Lawn Cemetery on the 10th. March 2016.

2452 S.C.C. TEMPORARY DIVERSION OF VEHICULAR TRAFFIC, STATION ROAD CHEDDLETON

Giving notice of a diversion of vehicular traffic on Station Road - on Saturday, 8th. July 2018 from 9am until 5pm whilst works are carried out. Alternative route for traffic is available via Station Road, Basford Bridge Lane, A520 Cheadle Road, A520 Leek Road and vice versa.

2453 PROTECTING THE COUNCIL'S PROPERTY/ASSETS

Councillor Jennings raised his concerns about the P.Cs. assets, suggesting that if Parish/Town Councils disappear, something needs to put in place to protect this Council's assets for the village. On discussion it was put that Parish/Town Councils were far less likely to disappear than other tiers. Following discussions Councillor Bowen agreed to investigate the Parish Councils options of securing its assets should anything happen in the future.

2454 RESIDENT'S REQUEST TO LOWER THE HEIGHT OF A NUMBER OF TREES - GROWING ON THE OPEN SPACE GRANGE BANKS

It was reported that a resident had asked if he could cut back and slightly lower the height of the trees that are blocking out the light at the rear of his garden. Following discussions it was agreed to recommend:- giving the resident permission to cut back the branches that are overhanging his property and return the cuttings to the Open Space but, not to give the resident permission to lower the height as it might encourage others to fell rather than trim the trees, The Silver Birch growing in the copse of trees was raised and following discussions it was agreed to speak to Steve Massey at the D.C. to ask if he would be willing to inspect the trees, in order to ascertain if they could pose a danger to anyone because of the height.

2455 ARSON/CRIMINAL DAMAGE AT CHEDDLETON PLAYING FIELDS

What can we do going forward as it is becoming more of a problem and a waste of money. It was put that the Council shouldn't give in to one or two individuals. The equipment or remains of needs to be made safe. Insurers need to be informed to see if there is a chance of claiming on the Insurance to repair it. Possibility of using metal instead of wood to stop this happening.

2455 ARSON/CRIMINAL DAMAGE AT CHEDDLETON PLAYING FIELD continued..

It was suggested that we need to encourage the residents to help keep an eye on the Playing Fields and encourage people to report these incidents. We need to publicise in some way whether it be through the Leek Post, Website, Leaflets, Facebook and Radio to encourage the people of Cheddleton to help us stop the vandalism. Also follow up on the PSPO with SMDC. Following discussions it was agreed: to ask the Police if they would be in a position to leaflet the estate and Councillor Bowen and the Clerk would compile a suitably worded press release

2456 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

0005 2 Basford Hurst Lodge, Cheddleton Lane, Cheddleton. Proposed single storey rear extension measuring 2.950m beyond the rear wall of the dwelling, 4m max. height and 2.2m. to height of eaves. **No Objections**

0272 18 Woodlands Avenue, Cheddleton. Construction of a two-storey extension extension to the side and rear of the dwelling house. The scheme includes the demolition of a single storey conservatory to the rear and the widening of the existing access to provide additional paved on-site parking space for 3 cars.

OBJECT Overdevelopment of the site.

0289 6 Ashcombe Road, Cheddleton. Two storey side & single storey rear extension.

OBJECT Overdevelopment of the site. Obtrusive by its size and scale and not in keeping with the street scene.

0324 Sneyd Arms Farm, Basford Green Road, Cheddleton. Listed Building consent for conversion and alteration of outbuilding to form holiday let/annex.

No Objections However, the Council feel that the Community Development Rights should be removed, as a condition, if the permission is granted.

0345 8 Basford Bridge Terrace, Basford Bridge Lane, Cheddleton. Change of use of vacant (white) land to part of residential curtilage.

OBJECT On the grounds that the land is undefined and in dispute.

2457 FORWARD AGENDA ITEMS

Cheddleton Community Centre - Youths Hanging Around.

Noisy Manhole Cover – Oaklands Close, Wetley Rocks.

Noisy Manhole Cover & Parked Car by the Institute – A520 Cheadle Road.

Installation of Bollards, Open Space, Grange Banks – it was agreed that a letter of thanks be forwarded to Councillor Harvey and the Volunteers for the excellent job carried out.

Lighting - Station Road.

Planning Department S.M.D.C. – Presence of Officer/s.

Lining of the Crossing, The Avenue – A520 Cheadle Road.

Telephone Kiosk, Southlowe Road – Councillor Mrs. Meyrick reported that the telephone box had now been removed.

Chairman

3rd. July 2018.