

Cheddleton Parish Council

MINUTES OF THE PLANNING & AMENITIES COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN THE CRAFT CENTRE MEETING ROOM ON TUESDAY, 4th . SEPTEMBER 2018.

ATTENDANCE Chairman - Councillor H.R. Jennings
Councillor - M.T. Bowen, Mrs. D.A. Hartley, Mrs. C.M. Meyrick, Mrs. A. Oakden,
S. Scalise, H.J. Tunna,

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

2477 **MINUTES** The minutes of the meeting of the 3rd . July 2018, taken as read, were confirmed as a true and accurate record and signed by the Chairman.

2478 **MATTERS ARISING** There were no matters arising from the minutes.

2479 **PUBLIC QUESTION TIME** There were two members of the public present who asked: -
Will Councillors', as part of your deliberations over the suggestion of a Parish Council Facebook page to disseminate information and encourage more residents to take an interest in and become active in the community, please look at the pages of those parishes who already run them? Examples of such parishes include Barlaston, Forsbrook and Dilhorne.
If Councillors' have concerns regarding how the page would be resourced or run, will you seek advice and best practice from those other Councils?
Will you take into account that bodies, such as the Police, would be more likely to interact with an official parish page which has standing as part of local government rather than one run by individuals, for example Memories of Cheddleton, or similar unofficial body?

The Chairman explained that he had recently removed himself off Memories of Cheddleton Facebook Page as it can lead to very difficult situations as a Councillor in answering comments that people make. As a Council the only thing that could be put on Facebook are meetings and events as the whole of the Parish Council is to make decisions that arise from questions raised. Councillor Bowen stated that Facebook can be good but can also be terribly harmful as a District Councillor there have been numerous incidents that occur on the District Council's page that Councillors' have said inappropriate comments. As a Parish Council we have a website that gives the residents the kind of information they need about meetings and the minutes of meetings although it possibly could be improved. There is no harm in looking at what other Parishes are doing and discuss this at Full Council with regards to regulations and data protection. Councillor Mrs. Hartley also raised that on the Memories of Cheddleton Facebook page that the administrator has offered to open an additional Cheddleton Chat for users that could be for Parish Council Business so this is another alternative to our own Facebook page. It was agreed to research and raise as an item on the next agenda for further discussion.

2480 **MEMBERS' DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**
Councillor Scalise declared that he is a member of the District Council Planning Committee so would not take part in the discussions of planning applications.

2481 CORRESPONDENCE

- a. Countrywide Grounds Maintenance – Email from Matthew Ford who has an office in Fenton and they perform grounds maintenance for schools, hospitals, parish councils etc. It was recommended to keep on file for future reference.
- b. St John the Baptist Church – Cleaning of the War Memorial – Thanking the Council for the cleaning and enhancement of the Memorial on behalf of the PCC and congregation of the Church.
- c. Staffordshire Legal Services – Application of additional Footpath from Cheadle Road to Footpath No. 39. Letter to notify the Council that Countryside and Rights of Way Panel had considered the application but that it had been rejected on 10th. August 2018. There is a 28 day right of appeal.
- d. Water plus – Direct Debit Payments – Letter about the benefits of paying by DD. Agenda item for next meeting.
- e. Kahrel Wellness – Reshaping the Mindset of Society – Educational Conference tackling Domestic Violence & Abuse in Faith. Details available should anyone wish to attend in November.
- f. SPCA - V.A.T Training Course – Details of a course in November.
- g. SLCC – Midlands Regional Training Seminar – Worcester – Confirmation that the Clerk is booked to attend the course as previously agreed by Council. No cost as the clerk obtained a free place.
- h. EDF Energy – Community Centre – Gas Meter Reading – Ongoing correspondence with new gas supplier as the original meter reading was estimated and when the clerk attempted to submit a new one it was less than the start reading supplied by EON. The clerk will submit a further reading tomorrow so that EDF can estimate usage and go back to EON to discuss previous charges. The clerk will update.
- i. SLCC – Technical Consultation on the draft local government finance settlement. As Parish Councils continue to not increase the precepts significantly. i.e. a decrease in the percentage increase the government intends to continue the deferral of setting referendum principles but keep it under review. Councillor Bowen commented that the Parish Council continued again this year to not increase our Parish Precept by anything.
- j. J Parkes – Wholesale Bulb Catalogue – Issued to Councillor Mrs. Meyrick.
- k. Community Council Staffordshire closed 31st August 2018 – Letter advising of what services are available for village halls following closure like Support Staffordshire. Details available should Councillors’ require them.
- l. CPRE – Urgent Appeal – Requesting a £10 donation to say no to fast-tracked fracking. Councillors declined to donate.
- m. John Pointon & Sons Ltd. – Liaison Group Meeting 21st September 2018 – Copy available for Councillors should they wish to attend.

2482 SLCC – CHESHIRE BRANCH CONFERENCE – THURSDAY 27th. SEPTEMBER 2018

The Clerk had received an invitation to attend the Conference at Middlewich at a cost of £30 to SLCC Members which will cover Promoting your Council, Advice surgeries, Data Protection, Code of Conduct and managing risks on open spaces. It is 9am until 4.30pm and Councillor Bowen proposed that the clerk attend. Seconded by Councillor Mrs. Meyrick.

2483 COMPLETION OF AUDIT FOR THE YEAR ENDED 31ST. MARCH 2018.

The Clerk reported that this should be an item discussed by full Council so future agenda item.

2484 ROAD SIGN ON ROWNALL ROAD/MILL ANE, WETLEY ROCKS

Councillor Mrs. Hartley reported that the signpost had been damaged and that the posts were now pointing in the wrong direction. It was agreed that the Clerk would report the issue to SCC, Highways. At the other end of Mill Lane, it was reported that the Pre-School had placed a banner on the chevron signs which is not appropriate so Councillor Mrs. Hartley would look further into this.

2485 ESTATE AGENT FOR SALE SIGNS

Councillor Mrs. Hartley reported that she had noticed a Samuel Makepeace sign in the hedgerow approaching Cellarhead which has been there for months and is acting as an advertisement for the Estate Agents as the house that it was advertising sold months ago. It was agreed that the Clerk contact the Estate Agent and ask them to remove it.

2486 PARISH COUNCIL FACEBOOK PAGE

This was discussed in Public Question Time.

2487 UPGRADING OF THE GENTS AND LADIES TOILETS – COMMUNITY CENTRE

Councillor Scalise reported that he was organizing with the Tiler to source the best deal on the agreed tiles. Originally, he had looked at getting a discount from Johnsons but has seen that they may be considerably cheaper at Wickes but that the works will commence next week to the gent's toilets.

2488 REMOVAL OF THE OLD BOILER – COMMUNITY CENTRE

The Clerk had tried to contact Barney at Pointon's but had not yet spoken to him so as Councillors will be attending the Liaison Meeting they will ask him to make contact about the removal of the asbestos.

2489 REBURBISHMENT OF NOTICE BOARD – COMMUNITY CENTRE

Councillor Scalise quoted that the perspex would cost around £28 to replace so he is prepared to measure and get it cut to size if the Councillors wish him to. Councillor Mrs. Hartley proposed he go ahead and get it this was seconded by Councillor Mrs. Meyrick.

2490 ELECTRIC HEATERS – GENTS AND LADIES TOILETS- CRAFT CENTRE

The Clerk reported that having looked at the heaters it isn't possible to add a frost stat without re-wiring the power supply because it sits above the heater so as soon as the heater comes on it would switch off again. The other option is to get new heaters with a stat on them so clerk to get some prices.

2491 ZIP WIRE – CHEDDLETON PLAYING FIELD

The Clerk has emailed the information to Zurich of the quotes obtained from Kompan & Ludus but as yet had not receive a response. Leave in abeyance until next meeting. Councillor Scalise mentioned about the safety surfaces as he had visited to look at the damage stating that there are more than just the swings that need some attention. He stated that he felt that based on the quotes received it was going to cost thousands to put right but that he had arranged to meet an expert to take a look at it to seek advice as to the best course of action. Also, if there is another alternative such as wood chippings. Councillor Mrs. Hartley proposed that this be investigated further by Councillor Scalise and was seconded by Councillor Jennings.

2492 BUSINESS CARDS FOR THE CLERK

Councillor Jennings suggested that the Clerk could do with Business Cards to give out as this looks more professional when meeting people with her contact details. The Clerk had looked on Vista Print and for 250 it costs £9.99 plus V.A.T. This was proposed by Councillor Bowen and seconded by Councillor Mrs. Meyrick.

2493 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

0374 Ringe Hay Farm Basford Green Road, Basford, Leek. Removal of conditions 8 & 9 relating to SMD/2005/0864.

OBJECT – Not approved for Residential use.

0403 Ringe Hay Farm Basford Green Road, Basford, Leek. Removal of condition 5 of planning permission SMD/2001/0391.

OBJECT – Not approved for Residential use.

0404 Ringe Hay Farm Basford Green Road, Basford, Leek. The Retention of the garden serving Granary Cottage.

OBJECT – Not approved for Residential use.

0390 1 Wilton Avenue, Cellarhead. Proposed front porch and rear single storey extension.

No Objection

0318 81 Ostlers Lane, Cheddleton. Proposed front and rear extension, conversion of loft with added dormer window.

No Objection

0360 32 Morton House Hollow Lane, Cheddleton. Retrospective application for the re-opening of an existing gateway, rebuilding of the stone wall and tarmacing the entire driveway.

No Objection

0500 & 0501 Basford Hall, Basford Green Road, Cheddleton. Outline application with details of access (all other matters reserved) for the erection of up to two detached dwellings.

No Objection

0466 Land Adjacent to Park Lodge Farm, Folly Lane, Cheddleton. Proposed front porch and rear single storey extension.

OBJECT – Not appropriate development as open countryside and green belt. Also border with Consall Parish.

2493 PLANNING APPLICATIONS (cont'd)

0534 71 Saul House, Folly Lane, Cheddleton. Proposed single storey side and rear extension with demolition of existing garage, revision of approved application SMD/2018/0230.

No Objection

2494 FORWARD AGENDA ITEMS

Twinned with Mitterteich road signs still being displayed. Agreed to notify SCC, Highways Dept.

Damaged Road Sign – Cross Roads Mill Lane/ Rownall/ Longsdon. Report to SCC, Highways.

Obscured sign driving out of Wetley Rocks by a hedge.

Obscured 30 mile an hour sign outside the Hollies by trees. These to also be reported to SCC.

Sign for Weight Restriction at the top of Basford Bridge Lane, Cheddleton can only be viewed travelling one way so possibility of a second sign on the other side of the Road.

Banners on the railings - Community Centre.

New Head at St. Edwards School needs to be informed about parking on the Community Centre – Letter to be worded by Councillor Bowen and the Clerk.

Chairman

2nd. October 2018.