

Cuddington Parish Council

Minutes of the meeting of the Council for the Parish of Cuddington held on Monday 19th December 2016 at the Village Hall, Norley Road, Cuddington, at 7.30pm.

PRESENT:– Cllrs Nixon, Chrimes, Brooks, Chivers, Faulkner, Vincent, Jones and CWaC Cllr Tongue.
Also present representatives from Cuddington Primary School.

During public airtime Mrs. Mills (CPS Head teacher) was present to discuss the proposed extension to the school. CPS has been identified for increased student capacity as it has the largest building-to-field ratio of all of the schools in scope for expansion, so it has been selected to minimize pupil impact. One additional staff appointment is expected in 2017, with a further appointment in 2018, though the total staff complement will need to expand further over time to accommodate the 50% increase in numbers. The plan shows 6 additional parking spaces, once again using part of the field. Mrs. Mills stated that parking outside of the school is an issue at the end of the day, but not at the start – the reason for this is that the start of the school day is staggered. As many of the new intake into CPS are coming from the Golden Nook estate, it is hoped that the direct gate from the estate will ameliorate the traffic issues outside the school once it is operable. The school and their planning partner are carrying out traffic surveys which will need to be approved by an independent traffic assessment specialist and CWaC to ensure that there is no significant impact on the surrounding community.

Cllr. Faulkner advised Mrs. Mills that an assessment is planned for the application of a 20 mph speed limit outside the school. Mrs. Mills stated that an assessment of the school hall and canteen capacity had been carried out, and once the new classrooms become available, the classroom currently located in part of the dining hall will be moved, thus releasing more space for dining capacity. The statutory period for public consultation closed this morning, and there were no replies received.

Cllr. Tongue invited replies to the CWaC consultation on special expenses which closes on January 11th. Council's attention has been drawn to the question of storing the remaining stones from the Round Tower – it is suggested that the 37 tons (approximately 18 m³) of stone would constitute a stack up to 1 metre tall in a double garage. A final call will be made through the Round Tower for someone to store the left-over stone. The possibility of utilising the stone in the proposed expansion of CPS was also discussed. Cllr. Nixon will approach a local farmer to enquire about the likelihood of storing it for a short period. The issue of proposed works on Acton Bridge was discussed, and the likely traffic impact for up to 6 months. When the Frodsham crossing is closed, a temporary Bailey bridge is installed to maintain traffic movement – we are encouraged to apply pressure to the same ends and follow the lead of Acton Bridge and Weaverham councils. Cllr. Tongue requested that any speeding issues raised with him are funnelled through the Village Plan delivery group to ensure that the community has the opportunity to address the solution with Cllr. Tongue working to ensure that the appropriate support from CWaC is delivered. There are 3 requests for support through Councillor's member budgets: St. Johns Church, the Delamere Park play area and a footbridge on the path through Ravensclough Waste. If there are any remaining monies following these awards, then a further contribution towards the playing field project may also be possible.

79. Apologies. Cllrs Kerrigan, Lees and Shepherd, and CWaC Cllrs Fifield and Williams

80. Declaration of Interest. No member, present at the meeting disclosed any (a) disclosable pecuniary interests. Under (b) other disclosable interests, Cllr Chrimes declared an interest in the planning application relating to CPS as she is a governor there. Cllr Tongue declared an interest in the update from CWaC Councillors.

- 81. Minutes.** Cllr Brooks stated that the reference to Cemex responding to the Cemetery Committee is inaccurate as the negotiations will be between Cuddington Parish Council and Cemex. This was agreed by Cllr Vincent and Cllr Chrimes.
Cllr Faulkner proposed and Cllr. Brooks seconded and **RESOLVED** that, the minutes of the statutory meeting held November 21st, subject to the above amendment is an accurate record.
Cllr Vincent proposed and Cllr Faulkner seconded and **RESOLVED** that, the minutes of the FGP meeting held on December 8th is an accurate record.
- 82. Matters arising.** It was noted that the Council will contact Cemex seeking to meet with them and representatives from CPC and the Cemetery Committee (either from CPC or one of the other Councils) to discuss a further allocation of land.
Cllr. Vincent will work with the Clerk and lead on these arrangements, representing CPC at the meeting.
- 83. Correspondence from local residents.** None received.
- 84. Planning Applications.**

APP Number	Location	Proposal
16/05091/FUL	Cuddington Primary School Ash Road	Internal alterations and single storey extensions to form additional Classrooms, Storage, Toilet facilities and additional hall storage space.
16/05193/FUL	7 Mayfield Grove	Proposed Two storey side/rear extension, single storey side and rear extension and front porch.
16/05232/FUL	Toolerstone Norley Road	Replacement window.
16/05233/LBC	Toolerstone Norley Road	Internal alterations including removal of walls and the addition of a new wall, removal of fire place in bedroom 5, removal of existing bathroom and bedroom 5 to create en suite to bedroom 1 and replacement windows.

Cuddington Primary School: In the interests of ensuring that all children residing in Cuddington attend school within the Parish, the Council are minded to support the application, though concerns were raised over the loss of playing fields in delivering phase 2 of the development. Concerns were also raised over traffic management and parking at peak times outside the school. This expansion of primary school capacity within the village addresses a major concern voiced at the time that the new house building at Eden Grange and Golden Nook were announced.
Cllr. Chivers proposed and Cllr. Vincent seconded **RESOLVED** that the Council approve the proposal.

Mayfield Grove: Some concern was voiced over the use of the full width of the plot, but no objections were raised by the Council, and none have been received from affected residents.
Proposed by Cllr. Faulkner and seconded by Cllr. Vincent and **RESOLVED** No objection.

Toolerstone: Both applications for replacement windows and internal modifications were proposed by Cllr. Vincent and seconded by Cllr. Faulkner and **RESOLVED** No objection.

b) Planning decisions and notices.

- The application from Cheshire Falconry for a license to sell alcohol has been approved but with a number of restrictive conditions attached
- 23 Norley Road – single storey rear extension. Approved.
- 16 The Burrows – replacement of conservatory with a sun roof. Approved.
- 1 Holly Court Chiltern Close – single storey side and rear extension. Approved.
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Cllr. Brooks proposed that the meeting was suspended to allow Cllr. Tongue to update the Council on the Delamere Manor licensing issue. Seconded by Cllr. Chrimes **RESOLVED**.

A new noise report was issued towards the end of November, but this appears to concentrate only in the vicinity of the nearby bungalow and does not address the fact that noise can be heard at various places on Delamere Park. The noise management measures are not working effectively, but the bungalow resident does not want to stop the planning application as it will impede business and may foster poor relations with the Manor's owners. CWaC's environment group believes that the application should be granted a temporary 1 year approval to allow time for a full assessment to be made and for control systems to evolve to deal with the radiated noise. Delamere Manor have no traffic plan, despite their advertising as being a venue for up to 250 people, and there have been instances of buses/coaches parked on the grass verge on Cuddington Lane. Notification of future events would also be helpful to aid an accurate impact assessment to facilitate a full planning decision.

Cllr. Tongue left the meeting and the Council meeting resumed.

85. Financial Matters. a) Budget/Annual Precept 2017/2018.

Cllr Vincent explained the thinking behind the F&GP recommendations. The committee considered that it would assist application for matched funding for the Playing Field project if the Council itself makes a contribution and, as it does not seem likely that the money held for a BMX track would be used for this purpose in the foreseeable future, the committee recommends that the money be re-allocated for match funding.

The Council is committed to paying fees of £16,000 to Groundwork's and the committee recommends that £7,500 of the New Homes Bonus Fund should be diverted to pay Groundwork's and that £5,000 initially included in the draft budget for Village Plan Projects be re-allocated to pay Groundwork's, leaving an additional £3,500 to be added to the precept requirement in order to meet our commitment.

There is an additional item in the budget, namely a Maintenance Fund for Weaverham Road car park; Cuddington Parish Council are responsible for its maintenance and should provide for doing so although the Council have not done to date; the committee considers that a sum of £2,000 per annum is reasonable although it is an arbitrary one.

The recommended precept of £79,370 does represent an increase of 5.58% over that for 2016/17 but the committee considers this justified as the increase largely arises from the commitment to employ Groundwork's which will, it is hoped, result in securing externally funded investment in the village of up to £100,000.

Cllr. Chivers proposed and Cllr. Vincent seconded, it was **RESOLVED** that, Council accept the F&GP proposal, acknowledging concerns raised over the provision of a BMX track. To this end, the Council states its intention to support development of a skate park, but feels that the monies already held are better-spent realizing the current investment opportunity from the S106 money. It was noted that, Cllr Faulkner abstained, Cllrs Chrimes and Brooks were against the proposal.

- b) Expenditure and Income Statements. RESOLVED** that the expenditure and income statements are accepted as a true record.
- c) Approve payments. RESOLVED** that payments listed on the finance document be accepted, and funds to cover payments authorised shall be transferred from the business saver account to the community account by the clerk.

	BBF	£113,335.66
Payments authorised:	Nov-16	£7,360.29

Receipts

VAT Reclaim	£1,537.19
Interest Barclays saver	£12.72
	£1,549.91 £107,525.28

Accounts

Barclays Community Account	£2,550.24
Barclays Business Saver Account	£93,415.34
NS & Inv. Account 138 073 109	£11,775.70
	£107,741.28

Cq's NYP 102303 & 102308

Cq No:	To whom paid	Particulars of payment	Statutory Provision	Inv. No.	Amount
102309	Urban Imprint	Invoice No: 16-018-JEG-003 Re: Neighbourhood Plan	(LGA 1972, s111)	82	£866.26
Bacs	Employee	Salary November 2016	(LGA1972, s112)	83	£1,831.26
Bacs	Employee	Reimbursement TP & Internet November 2016	(LGA1972, s111)	84	£35.00
DD	NEST Pensions	Employer & Employee Cont. 6th November - 5th December 2016	(LGA1972, s112)	85	£33.13
102310	Mid Cheshire Rail Users Association	Subscription membership 2016-2017	(LGA1972,s143)	86	£20.00
102311	Prism Design and Print	Round Tower Newsletter December Issue	(LGA 1972,s142)	87	£176.00
102312	CSPPFA Ltd	Room Hire November 2015	(LGA 1972, s111)	88	£37.75
102313	Viking Direct	Office products including Ink Toner	(LGA 1972, s111)	89	£182.26
102314	HMRC	PAYE and NIC contributions x 3 months	(LGA 1972 S. 143)	90	£2,125.50
					£5,307.16

- 86. CSPPFA LTD and Cuddington Parish Council lease.** The PFA have drafted an application to renew the lease between the Council and the PFA for a period of 21 years. They acknowledge that the Council will not bear any cost associated with this legal process, and they are requesting that the Council make someone available to discuss possible changes to the agreement.

At present, the Council anticipate no reason to change the terms of the lease at present, so do not see the need for a meeting to discuss this with the PFA. However, it will be beneficial for Councillors to receive a copy of the current lease for review before the statutory meeting in January to ensure that there are no terms which we would like to see amended at this convenient time. The Clerk will be asked to circulate the current lease to Councillors.

The Council will reply to the PFA explaining our view on this issue at present.

- 87. Written reports from other meetings.** Reports relating to the Village Plan delivery have been circulated by email to Councillors.
- 88. Village Maintenance.** The new lights on the Christmas tree have cost £200 (10 lengths at £20 each), and 2 additional lengths will be purchased as spares.

The meeting was concluded by the Chair at 22:25, with all remaining business to be deferred to the January meeting.

- 89. War Memorial.** Deferred.
- 90. Correspondence and any other business.** Deferred.

Date.....

Signed..... Chairman