

Cuddington Parish Council

**Minutes of the meeting of the Council for the Parish of Cuddington
held on Monday 21st November 2016 at the Village Hall,
Norley Road, Cuddington, at 7.30pm.**

PRESENT:– Cllr Nixon - Chairman, Cllr Brooks, Cllr Chivers, Cllr Chrimes, Cllr Faulkner, Cllr Jones, Cllr Kerrigan, Cllr Lees, Cllr Shepherd and Cllr Vincent.

Also present were: CWaC Cllr's Fifield and Tonge and four members of the public.

Prior to the meeting during open forum, a representative from Cemex was present to discuss issues arising from people shooting on land adjacent to the quarry. Mr Alan Latham (a member of the Environment Group from the Neighbourhood Plan) used the opportunity to question the Cemex representative regarding plans for further/future extraction from the current Cemex site. This was curtailed by the Chairman on the recommendation that a separate meeting should take place to discuss the issues raised. Cllr Brooks enquired about the possibility of more land becoming available from Cemex to extend the burial ground. Cemex will respond to the Cemetery Committee regarding this request.

Local residents raised issues relating to car parking at Define. There are 15 spaces at Define, and staff do not park there, using School Lane instead. This has caused some issues and congestion. The footpath on one side is also blocked and inaccessible. Mr. Campbell owner of Define Wines was present and defended the situation, confirming that staff do not use the Define car park and stating that no laws are being broken by staff parking on School Lane. He himself parks on Kennel Lane and encourages staff to do similar, but he also sought an agreement with the Methodist Church to use their car park for his staff but this was declined. The car park is due to be properly marked, and it is anticipated that there will be 18 spaces. Mr. Campbell expressed frustration over the fact that the variation to planning consent is to be considered by the full planning committee. Cllr Faulkner explained how the parking issues with School Lane will be assessed by the Village Plan Traffic Working Group, and how a solution needs to be arrived at which is beneficial to both sides, calling for the residents of School Lane to work with them.

CWaC Cllrs Tongue and Fifield discussed Special Expenses, explaining how this has been introduced to address the issue of residents double-paying for specific services such as maintenance for play areas or the provision of PCSOs. This scheme to avoid double-paying is currently under consultation, and the Council needs to respond by the deadline which is mid-January. The question was raised of a rebate being due to the Parish Council in respect of the public toilets we provide from the Village Hall, and this is something which the Council should include in their response to the consultation.

Member budgets have been cut by half, and Cllrs Fifield and Tongue hope to be in a position to state the beneficiaries of their funds by the middle of January.

The Licensing Committee will meet tomorrow (November 22nd), and will discuss the application from Cheshire Falconry. Residents have made strong representations for refusal, but Cllr. Fifield will be making a case to grant a license with significantly reduced freedoms for the times at which alcohol can be served and the delivery of amplified music.

A new noise assessment has been carried out in relation to Delamere Manor, and this will inform the outcome of a consultation open until December 9th on this license request. Cllr Tongue explained that the likely outcome is a temporary license being granted for a 12 month period with strict conditions, in order to assess the actual impact on residents.

- 67. Apologies.** There were none.
- 68. Declaration of Interest.** No member, present at the meeting disclosed any (a) disclosable pecuniary interests. Under (b) other disclosable no member present declared an interest.
- 69. Minutes.** It was proposed by Cllr Lees and seconded by Cllr Vincent **RESOLVED** that the Chairman signs the minutes of the statutory meeting held 17th October 2016 as a true and proper record.
- 70. Matters arising.** There were no matters arising.
- 71. Correspondence from local residents.** A resident in School Lane has contacted Cllr Kerrigan separately regarding her concerns over parking in School Lane, and the issue has been passed to the Village Plan Traffic Working Group.
- 72. Planning Applications.**

APP Number	Location	Proposal	PC Comments
16/04540/FUL	Ashbank Farm Weaverham Road	Conversion of existing agricultural barn to two dwellings and conversion of one brick built outbuilding to form an annexe, demolition of an existing Dutch barn and associated infrastructure works.	Concerns were raised over the safety of workers during the project as one of the barns is on a busy road, but the Council have received no objections from neighbours.
16/04782/FUL	1 Holly Court Chiltern Close	Single storey side and rear extension	No objections.
16/04859/FUL	3 Mere Lane	Two storey side extension	No objections.
16/04882/FUL	16 The Burrows	Replace Existing Conservatory with new Sun Room (Roof)	No objections.

b) Planning decisions and notices. Noted that, the refusal of planning application for 28 Blake Lane is going to appeal.

Cllr Chivers proposed, Cllr Faulkner seconded and it was **RESOLVED** that, item 10 be moved forward.

- 73. Flea Moss Pit.** Cllr Chivers reported that CWaC Highways have suggested that we review the deeds to verify if we have a right of access between Flea Moss Pit (FMP) and Warrington Road. The title deed shows that we have so there is no issue with access, and the builders need not concern themselves with this. The right of way has also been confirmed by the Council's solicitor. The right of way between the butchers and Oakmere Wealth Management (OWM) permits the access of traffic (including construction vehicles) to the FMP site, and also as a pedestrian route. Vehicles from OWM have been routinely parking on this right-of-way and blocking it making it impassable to vehicles without encroaching on land owned by the butcher.

The Council noted a message from Steve Dearden regarding the access road, stating that it is publicly-adopted highway, so the question of whether it is a PROW is immaterial and the decision lies with CWaC. This message was not helpful, and could not be fully-understood by the CWaC Councillors present at the meeting.

The Estate Agent has suggested that we meet with the buyer, but despite several attempts, it has not been possible for the Chairman to contact the Estate Agent to arrange a meeting with all parties. Cllr. Faulkner suggested that the Council's solicitor be present at the meeting, and this was agreed by the CWaC Cllrs, Cllr Chivers will arrange this meeting.

Cllr Chrimes proposed that the details of the statement made by the Clerk and the document presented by the Council's solicitor to the Chairman for signing be made available to Cllr Chivers to fully-inform the meeting between all interested parties, but the proposal fell. Cllr Chivers stated that this issue is not what is delaying the transfer of the land, and that these issues of detail need to be addressed within the committee and not brought to full Council.

74. Financial Matters.

- a) Expenditure and Income Statements.** Proposed by Cllr Faulkner, seconded by Cllr Jones **RESOLVED** that the expenditure and income statements are accepted as a true record.
- b) 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.
- c) Speed Limit review Stoneyford Lane.** Norley and Oakmere Parish Councils have agreed to their portions of the cost for a speed limit review. Cllr Faulkner expressed reservations at the cost of such a review, and our portion therein. It was proposed by Cllr Chivers, seconded by Cllr Lees **RESOLVED** that, the Council respond stating that we are unable to make the payment due to the activities of our own Village Plan Traffic & Transport group which assesses traffic within the Cuddington Parish, but we would welcome Norley and Oakmere Councils contacting our group with their concerns to explore the issues, with priority being given to

concerns raised within our Parish boundaries. Noted, the Chairman voted against the proposal.

	BBF	£117,906.55	
Payments authorised:	Oct-16	£4,570.89	
			£113,335.62

Receipts £0.00

Accounts

Barclays Community Account		£2,463.37	
Barclays Business Saver Account		£98,956.59	
NS & Inv. Account 138 073 109		£11,775.70	£113,195.66

Cq 102297 NYP

Cq No:	To whom paid	Particulars of payment	Statutory Provision	Inv. No.	Amount
102298	Greenwoods Lighting Ltd	Boxes of Christmas Tree Lights (APP)	(PHA 1875 s,164)	67	£200.00
102299	Joseph Noblett	Christmas Tree situated at St John's Church Norley Road	(PHA 1875 s,164)	68	£510.00
Bacs	Employee	Salary November 2016	(LGA1972, s112)	69	£1,831.26
Bacs	Employee	Reimbursement TP & Internet November 2016	(LGA1972, s111)	70	£35.00
DD	NEST Pensions	Employer & Employee Cont. 6th November - 5th December 2016	(LGA1972, s112)	71	£33.13
102300	Graphish Design	NHP Design & Print booklets	(LGA1972, s145)	72	£520.00
102301	Methodist Church	Room Hire road show for NHP	(LGA 1972, s111)	73	£20.00
102302	Prism Design and Print	Round Tower Newsletter November Issue	(LGA 1972,s142)	74	£176.00
102303	Michael's Garden & Landscaping	Cut both sides and top and front of Norley Road hedge	(PHA 1875 s,164)	75	£180.00
102304	CSPPFA Ltd	Room Hire September & October 2015	(LGA 1972, s111)	76	£22.25
102305	Information Commissioners office	Registration as a data controller with ICO	(LGA 1976 s,226)	77	£35.00
102306	Groundwork UK	End of Grant Report Under spent NPG-02131	(LGA1972, s145)	78	£26.42
102307	Mr Russell Smith	Reimbursement for 5000 Flyers re: New website	(LGA 1972,s142)	79	£47.52
102308	Play Inspec. & Maint.	Operational inspection at Boundary Lane Green	(PHA 1875 s,164)	80	£36.00

DD	Public Works Loan Board Loan PWLB Ref: 611 07287	(NLA 1968 s,3)	81	£3,687.71
				£7,360.29

- 75. Groundwork Cheshire.** Cllr. Vincent explained the detailed quotation received from Groundwork relating to Norley Road Play area project, with the project split into a fund-raising and implementation phase. Denis Henderson (CSPPFA) has written to the project working group stating that the CSSPFA are happy to work with Groundwork on both phases of the project on the basis that Groundwork will operate with a flexible approach and remain receptive to input from the CSSPFA team. The Council will reply to the CSSPFA team to acknowledge this message.

Aleta Steele has stated that S106 funds will be released once CWaC finance receive confirmation that the Parish Council have match-funding, and states that the funds £59,578.84 have been allocated until October 2018 (time-limited by one of the S106 statements). CWaC know of no other restrictions associated with this money which might affect its release to the Parish Council.

Cllr Faulkner suggested that the Council treat the phase 2 project costs as a potential liability which should be reflected as a risk in our financial statement, and members agreed. It was **RESOLVED** that the Council instruct Groundwork Trust to proceed with project as set out in the quotation dated November 17th from Paul Hurst.

- 76. Written reports from other meetings.** Several reports from the Village Plan Working Group have been circulated to Councillors, so were not discussed. Cllr Kerrigan drew the Council's attention to the recently-circulated flyer calling for input from residents to the Neighbourhood Plan, particularly from the younger age groups. Visits have been made to the local schools to encourage participation from children and young people.

Applications for changes to the footpaths in Kennel Woods have been submitted to CWaC Council but some issues remain. It was stated that there should be a footpath directly from Blakemere to Kennel Lane through the Woods, and an application needs to be made to Woodlands to request this which is supported by a number of people having walked the route within the last 10 years.

A consultation has been carried out on the proposed Mere Lane parking. Alec Carr (CWA) has promised an updated cost estimate, but this has not been received by the Council as he has not yet received the formal quotation from Ringway. It was proposed by Cllr. Chrimes seconded by Cllr Brooks and **RESOLVED** that, that the Council give permission for the Working Group to instruct the Clerk to draw-down the funds necessary to instigate the project once the full quotation becomes available.

Cllr. Faulkner expressed concerns over the monthly PCSO surgeries held in the library at which our PCSO has not been in attendance for several months. Cllr Faulkner will contact Claire Murgatroyd seeking an explanation of the situation regarding the current duties of the Cuddington PCSO.

- 77. Village Maintenance.** It was noted that no actions are required following the latest BLG operational inspection.

78. Correspondence and any other business. There was none.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 10.15pm.

Date.....

Signed..... Chairman