

Cuddington Parish Council

**Minutes of the extra ordinary meeting of the Council for the Parish of Cuddington
held on Monday 20th January 2020 at the Sandiway Primary School
Weaverham Road Sandiway at 7.15pm.**

PRESENT:– Cllr Brooks, Cllr Chrimes (Chairman) Cllr Kerrigan, Cllr Hill, Cllr Maddock, Cllr Ruchat and Cllr Vincent.

Also present was CWaC Councillors Gillian Edwards and Charles Fifield, the Round Tower Editor and 130 Members of the public.

The meeting commenced at 7.15pm.

- 101. Apologies:** Cllr Jones, Cllr Latham, Cllr Crist and Mrs Julie Chrimes – Clerk to the Council (annual leave).
- 102. Declaration of Interest and submission of register of interests.** There were none.
- 103. Public air time.** It was noted that the Action Group has sent a series of Freedom of Information requests (FOI) to the Danebridge Practice, to try to understand the reason for the proposal to close Sandiway Surgery. Once they have received replies to the FOIs they will ask for a meeting with the Danebridge practice management.
MP, Edward Timpson, and Ward Councillors, Paul Williams, Charles Fifield and Gillian Edwards have written to the Danebridge Practice to request an extension to the consultation period, so that we have more time to look at the implications for Cuddington and Sandiway. MP Edward Timpson has made Matt Hancock, Secretary of State for Health, aware of the situation. Cuddington was designated as a Key Service Centre in the Cheshire West and Chester Local Plan and our Neighbourhood Plan. This means that it has a special role in supporting the surrounding settlements, by providing essential services and facilities, minimising the need to travel.
The Action Group conveyed their thanks to everyone who has signed up to support them; they have been given well over 600 names already
- 104. Proposed closure of Sandiway Surgery.** The Parish Council gave their support to the Residents Action Group and to the campaign against the closure. CWaC Borough Councillors Gillian Edwards and Charles Fifield also attended the meeting. A representative of Edward Timpson MP, along with observers from the CWaC Health Overview and Scrutiny Committee, and Healthwatch Cheshire were also present.
It was reported that Healthwatch Cheshire, is the independent voice of the people, and they wish to collect ‘impact statements’ from patients with regard to the Danebridge proposal. They will provide comments cards and collection boxes that will be placed around the village. Watch out for these boxes. The responses will only be handled by Healthwatch Cheshire, and the data will be anonymised by them when they prepare their report to the Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group as part of the decision making process.
www.healthwatchcheshire.org.uk

105. Delegation of Powers. It was **RESOLVED** to delegate power to Councillor’s Kerrigan, Vincent and Latham who sit on the action group, to act on behalf of the Parish Council.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.40pm.

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Signed..... Chairman