

Cuddington Parish Council

Minutes of the statutory meeting of the Council for the Parish of Cuddington
held on Monday 21st January 2019 at the Village Hall,
Norley Road, Cuddington, at 7.15pm.

PRESENT:— Cllr's Faulkner, Cllr Chrimes, Cllr Jones, Cllr Kerrigan and Cllr Shepherd.

Also present was CWaC Cllr Fifield and one member of the public

The meeting commenced at 7.15pm.

- 99. Apologies.** Cllr Brooks, Cllr Chivers, Cllr Vincent, Cllr Nixon, Cllr Lees CWaC Cllr's Tonge and Williams and Clerk to the Council - Julie Chrimes.
- 100. Declaration of Interest.** None.
- 101. Public Forum.** A resident of Sandown Crescent spoke on an issue related to car parking. Many houses now have 4 vehicles per household, and many of these are parked on the pavement. Vehicles travel along Sandown Crescent at speeds well in excess of the posted 20 mph limit (for which signage is often obscured by parked vehicles), and there is no enforcement. With the manner that cars are parked, pedestrians are being forced into the road to pass parked vehicles, and this is a particular problem near his house as he is located at a junction. He calls for enforcement by the Police, and has raised this with the PCSO at the forum in the library.
Cllr. Fifield will contact Northwich Town Council calling for enforcement officers to visit.
- 102. Minutes.** It was proposed by Cllr Chrimes seconded by Cllr Kerrigan, **RESOLVED** that the Chairman signs the minutes of the meeting held on 17th December 2018 as a true and proper record.
- 103. Matters arising.** Cllr. Tongue has raised the issue with CWaC of flooding on Ash Road close to the junction with Forest Road. The drains have been rodded, but there is no noticeable improvement so the work will be done again.
- 104. Planning Applications.** a) **To receive an update from a planning representative of the Council:**
Cllr Shepherd gave an update on planning applications considered in November, as summarized in the planning documents circulated to all Councillors.
b) **To receive public representations:** None.
c) **To receive CPC planning comments:** None.
d) **Planning decisions and notices.** None.
- 105. CWaC Councillor's update.** A new planning application is expected to be submitted from Delamere Manor, and the ménage application will be removed.

The application for the site at 4 School Lane still contains 5 homes, but the number of bedrooms in two of the houses has been reduced. There is still no provision for affordable housing in the application, and Cllr. Tongue has requested that the applicant modify the proposal to specifically include affordable housing, as required by the Local Plan.

The new CWaC CEO met with Ward Councillors this afternoon (January 21st), and was given a tour of Cuddington and Sandiway. He was shown the new car park at Sandiway Parade and the Eden Grange development. His attention was drawn to car parking issues, and delays in the delivery of the promised play area at Eden Grange. The lack of progress by Taylor Wimpey on the delivery of allotments was also raised.

- 106. Chairman’s update.** Contractors are currently working on the promised play area at Eden Grange, and progress is being made. There was also some preliminary evidence that work had started on the allotments with the erection of fencing. House building construction work appears to have finished, and the sales and site manager offices have gone. The Chair has spoken today with Beverley Furey (Taylor Wimpey Legal Department), who again confirmed their intention to offer the freehold of the allotment site to the Parish Council.

Local elections are due in May 2019. Cllr. Faulkner stated that he will not be standing for re-election to the Council.

The Chairman thanked the Neighbourhood Plan team for the work they have done over the 3 year life span of this project.

The webmaster has submitted a proposal for the re-hosting of the village website, sharing the cost with other village organisations. The Council discussed this, and felt that in the interests of probity, it was more appropriate for the council to host their own website and demonstrate independence from other organisations. Cllr. Faulkner proposed that options for hosting the website should be explored initially by himself and the Clerk. This was seconded by Cllr. Shepherd, and agreed unanimously.

The clerk will follow-up with the ICO and CHALC regarding the issue raised by a Northwich resident relating to the use of personal email accounts for the execution of council business.

107. Financial Matters.

Cllr Shepherd queried whether the Council is prepared for the migration to all-digital VAT returns from 1st April. The Clerk will check this out on her return from annual leave.

- a) **Expenditure and Income Statements.** Proposed by Cllr Shepherd seconded by Cllr Kerrigan **RESOLVED** that the expenditure and income statements are accepted as a true record.
- b) **Approve payments.** Proposed by Cllr Shepherd seconded by Cllr Kerrigan **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	Total	
		£82,553.93	
Payments authorised:	December	£31,363.51	£51,190.42
Receipts			
CSPPPFA Ltd - Donation towards car park refurbishment		£5,000.00	£56,190.42

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Barclays Community Account - 30708852	£7,207.71	
Barclays Business Premium Account - 80344400	£33,112.37	
NS & Inv. Account - 138 073 109	£15,902.74	£56,222.82
(2 x cheques NYP)		

To whom paid	Particulars of payment	Statutory Provision	Inv. No.	Amount
Moss haselhurst - Inv 108523	Professional charges for Registration of NR Playing Fields	(LGA 1972 – Sec 133)	108	£308.00
Mr T Vincent	Reimbursement of Christmas Tree Lights cost	(LGA1972, s142)	109	£44.00
Mr J Faulkner	Chairman's Allowance	LGA1972 s,15(5)	110	£400.00
Employee	Salary January 2019	(LGA1972, s111)	111	£1,908.98
Employee	Reimbursement TP & Internet January 2019	(LGA1972, s112)	112	£35.00
NEST Pensions	Employer & Employee Cont. 6th January - 5th February 2019	(LGA1972, s111)	113	£86.18
Prism Design and Print	Round Tower Newsletter January 2019 Issue	(LGA1972, s142)	114	£176.00
CSPPPFA Ltd	Room Hire: December	(LGA 1972, s111)	115	£18.50
Glasdon	3 x Gateways	(PHA 1875 s,164)	116	£2,810.49
Graphish	Banners and A3 Laminated posters	(LGA1972 s144)	117	£155.00
Sage UK	Annual Licence plan inc pension module	(LGA1972,s111)	118	£234.00
Darren Crane	Erection and Installation of 3	(PHA 1875 s,164)	119	£540.00
Driveways & Lands.	Gateways			£6,716.15

c) Traffic & Transport Group. A proposal was made by the T&T group to spend Parish Council money adding 'SLOW' signs to Cuddington Lane and Weaverham Road, the PCSO has advised that while painted signage is cheap and quick, the speed-indicating signs at around £7k each represent good value for money as they have proven efficacy, and record data which can inform future actions to manage vehicle speed. Cllr. Shepherd proposed that no decision be taken on this issue at this time, and Cllr. Kerrigan seconded – Council agreed unanimously.

Cllr. Kerrigan queried why the double yellow lines by Sandiway School on Weaverham Road from the junction with Norley Road do not continue all the way to the school entrance – vehicles are parking here at the beginning and end of the school day and creating a visibility hazard. It was suggested that this issue be highlighted to CWaC with a view to extending the parking restriction to improve safety.

108. Clerk's report. In the Clerks absence the Chairman reported that £5,056.83 VAT refund from 01.09.2018 – 31.12.2018, funds will show in Barclays account in February. Norley Road playing field voluntary registration is now complete - Title number CH676285 08-11-2018.

Gateways have been installed in 3 locations, A556, A49 and Norley Road/Cuddington Lane and there has been a large number of positive comments on social media.

The Parish Council would have liked the signs situated at the actual boundaries, in relation to the Delamere Park sign, the highways officer confirmed that the only place that was safe on that particular stretch of road is where it has been sited.

The Clerk annual leave is from 16th January, she returns on 4th February.

- 109. Neighbourhood Plan.** Six banners have been placed around the village to promote the forthcoming referendum on January 24th. Posters have also been placed in local shops. Feedback from residents prompted a revision to the website to allow the policies to be read more easily. The count will be carried out at Delamere Lodge, and two representatives from the Neighbourhood Plan team have been nominated to act as observers. Cllr. Faulkner stated that he will attend on behalf of the Parish Council, and once again thanked the Neighbourhood Plan team for their work to reach this point.
- 110. Written reports from other meetings.** The minutes from the last meeting of the Gorstage Cemetery Committee have been circulated, but the meeting was not quorate so they have been re-classified as notes. This has a consequence as the works authorized for this quarter cannot be carried out, and will thus run-over into the next financial year. This will cause an increase in the account balances held for each Council. The Clerk has delegated authority to carry out certain urgent works within the current financial year.
- Weaverham Parish Council has observed that the cemetery site is not located on Gorstage Lane, but is actually on Weaverham Road. This will necessitate an amendment to various documents related to the site and its governance.
- Cllr. Kerrigan has contacted Gerry Gibbs (CWaC) regarding the provision of a time limit for vehicles parking at the Mere Lane car park. He has recommended a weekday and weekend survey to establish who actually uses the car park (residents or commuters). This will cost £600 to complete. Councillors discussed this issue, and agreed that there was not sufficient evidence of a pressing problem to warrant action and further cost at present. We will continue to monitor the situation, and will take action in future if this becomes necessary.
- Cllr Chrimes and Cllr Kerrigan reported that work continues on the sale and development of Flea Moss Pit. It is expected that that an offer for the plot will be made to the selling agent soon.
- 111. Correspondence and any other business. There was none.**

The meeting closed at 9pm.

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Signed..... Chairman