

Cuddington Parish Council

**Minutes of the statutory meeting of the Council for the Parish of Cuddington
held on Monday 21st September 2020 at the Village Hall,
Norley Road, Cuddington, at 7.15pm.**

PRESENT: – Cllr Chrimes (Chairman), Cllr Crist, Cllr Hill, Cllr Kerrigan, Cllr Latham, Cllr Maddock and Cllr Ruchat.

Also present, was Clerk to the Council - Julie Chrimes, CWaC Cllr Fifield and one member of the public.

The meeting commenced at 7.15pm.

The Chairman had invited Mr Stephen Chivers and Dr Lee Jones to the meeting, to present them both with a Cuddington “Paperweight” as a token of thanks and gratitude for all their hard work whilst serving on the Parish Council. It was noted that Stephen has been instrumental in the sale of Flea Moss Pit, and whilst the land is under offer Stephen continues to attend committee meetings. Lee had served on the Council since 2003 and was instrumental in the creation of Boundary Lane Green play area, Lee continues to sit on the Gala Committee and is master of ceremonies on the day. Both gentlemen were pleasantly surprised with the gift and wished all the councillor’s good luck in what seems to be a testing year for everyone.

- 17. Apologies:** Cllr’s Brooks, Maddock and Vincent, also CWaC Councillor’s Edwards and Williams.
- 18. Declaration of Interest and submission of register of interests.** The Chairman declared an interest in agenda item 13 War Memorial, due to her membership with the Royal British Legion.
- 19. Councillor vacancy.** Mrs Jan Phillips had written to the Council expressing her interest to join the Parish Council. It was proposed by Cllr Hill, seconded by Cllr Kerrigan and **RESOLVED** that; Mrs Jan Phillips was co-opted onto the Council for Cuddington Ward. Mrs Phillip’s signed the declaration of acceptance of office and compliance with the code of conduct and joined the meeting.
- 20. Public airtime.** Mr. John Kerrigan Chairman of Save our Surgery action group addressed the Council advising them that Danebridge Medical Centre has applied to the NHS Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group (CCG) to close Sandiway surgery. A report by the Cheshire CCG regarding the consultation process which has been used, will be reviewed by the Cheshire West and Chester Overview and Scrutiny Committee at a special meeting to be held on 12th October 2020. Following this, a special meeting will be held by the CCG Primary Care Commissioning committee (PCC), early in November, to examine the Danebridge proposal. Danebridge is by far the largest practice in the area with over 24000 patients living in Northwich and in surrounding villages. These will all be affected by the proposed closure of Sandiway Surgery since all patients will be seen at either Kingsmead or Danebridge surgeries.

Last year 2900 appointments were offered at Sandiway and 15000 appointments at the other two surgeries. If Sandiway closes the demand at the other surgeries will increase by 20%. The Save Sandiway Surgery Action Group has been working since December to keep the surgery open and to try to find out from Danebridge Practice the real reason for the proposed closure of the surgery. The Consultation Survey carried out by Danebridge was confusing, did not get to all patients and the feedback from it was badly managed by the Practice.

The Care Quality Commission (CQC) inspected the whole of Danebridge Medical Practice in 2019, including all three surgeries, and changed its rating from “Good” to “Requires improvement” in two respects, namely “Are Services Safe?” and “Are Services Well-Led?” Danebridge Practice has claimed that the safety issues referred to by the CQC are at Sandiway Surgery, but the CQC published report and Inspection Evidence Table do not support this claim and CQC has subsequently confirmed that they did not expect the Sandiway surgery to close on the basis of their inspection, and considered it adequate for the services being delivered. Danebridge Practice has not been prepared to provide the Action Group with any other information.

It was noted that, the Action Group has the full backing of Cuddington Parish Council, the Borough Councillors for this area and our local MP Edward Timpson and has around 900 signatures of support already from patients.

The Parish Council thanked Mr Kerrigan for the hard work the action group is doing.

21. Minutes. It was **RESOLVED**; that the Chairman signs the minutes of the statutory meeting held on 13th July 2020 as a true and accurate record.

22. Matters arising. None.

23. Planning Applications. a) The Clerk gave an update on planning applications considered in August 2020, as summarised in the planning documents circulated to all Councillors.
b) To receive public representations: There was none.
c) Planning applications. There was none considered at the meeting.
d) Planning decisions. There was none.

An appeal has been made to the secretary of state against the decision of CWaC to refuse to grant planning permission for 20/00975/FUL – 4 Moorland Park, two storey side extension. Representation must be made by 6th October 2020.

Cllr Phillips left the meeting.

24. Cheshire West and Chester Councillor’s. Cllr Fifield reported that several residents had contacted him regarding the proposed 6-month closure of Footpath 12. The PROW officer for CWaC has confirmed that they have halted making the temporary closure order pending further details from the applicant.
Cllr Fifield reported that a colleague of his had noted a young man who appears to settle down for the night at the Round Tower. It was noted the homeless services are in contact with the gentleman and are offering him assistance.
A resident had contacted the council with concerns of a locked gate at the start of PF26 off Kennel Lane, Cllr Fifield agreed to investigate the matter.

25. Accounts and Payments.

a) Expenditure and Income Statements. Proposed by Cllr Hill and seconded by Cllr Crist and **RESOLVED** that the expenditure and income statements are accepted as a true record.

b) Approve payments. Proposed by Cllr Hill seconded by Cllr Crist and **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) The clerk advised that she is nursing the council's computer which was purchased back in 2009. It was proposed by Cllr Latham, seconded by Cllr Kerrigan and **RESOLVED that; the Council purchase a new laptop up to the amount of £1,000.00.**

| | | Total |
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| | BBF | £87,951.17 |
| Payments authorised: | Aug-20 | £5,028.92 |
| | | £82,922.25 |
| Receipts | | |
| Barclays Bank Interest 8 June-6 September 2020 | | £9.41 |
| | | <u>£82,931.66</u> |
| Barclays Community Account - 30708852 | | £1,690.78 |
| Barclays Business Premium Account - 80344400 | | £61,918.66 |
| NS & Inv. Account - 138 073 109 | | £19,322.22 |
| | | £82,931.66 |

| Cq No: | To whom paid | Particulars of payment | Statutory Provision | Inv. No. | Amount |
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| Bacs | Employee | Salary - Sept. 2020 inc LGS pay agreement April 20-21 | (LGA1972, s112) | 49 | £2,087.99 |
| Bacs | Employee | Reimbursement TP & Internet Sept. 2020 | (LGA1972, s112) | 50 | £35.00 |
| Bacs | NEST Pensions | Employer & Employee Cont. 6th September - 5th October 2020 | (LGA1972, s111) | 51 | £178.86 |
| Bacs | Clean Safe | Village Maintenance - Service Level | | | |
| Bacs | Environments | Agreement (SLA 2) | (PHA 1875 s,164) | 52 | £465.00 |
| Bacs | TDP Limited | Wirksworth seat 1.8L and anchor kit | (PHA 1875 s,164) | 53 | £734.98 |
| Bacs | Mrs Julie Chrimes | Reimbursement re: HM Land Registry Documents | (PHA 1875 s,164) | 54 | £12.00 |
| Bacs | Michael's Garden & Landscaping Serv. | Village Maintenance - Service Level Agreement (SLA 1) | (PHA 1875 s,164) | 55 | £150.00 |
| Bacs | Graphish | 4 x Aluminium Composite signs for BLG re Covid-19 | (PHA 1875 s,164) | 56 | £50.00 |
| Bacs | Mrs Julie Chrimes | Reimb. of Annual use of Clerk's home for conducting Council business. | (LG(FP)A 1963 sec5) | 57 | £900.90 |
| Bacs | HM Customs | PAYE & NIC contributions months 4,5, & 6 | (LGA1972, s133) | 58 | £2,416.14 |
| Bacs | Clean Safe | Village Maint. All War Memorial area | (PHA 1875 s,164) | 59 | £90.00 |

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| | Environments | 3 x grass cuts inc strimming around fencing | | | |
| Bacs | CSPPFA Ltd | Room hire - 13/07/2020 | (LGA1972, s111) | 60 | £12.00 |
| Bacs | We Fix it | Investigate PC Issues and correct, clean CPU and fan | (LGA1972, s111) | 61 | £35.00 |
| | | | | | <u>£7,167.87</u> |

26. Clerks report. It was noted that the Women’s Institute will plant a cherry blossom tree close to “Peggy’s” bench during the autumnal months to commemorate the centenary of Cheshire Federation of the WI.

Ken Nixon’s memory seat has been installed free of charge by Michael’s Landscaping Services and Clean Safe Environments as a gesture of their appreciation for Ken’s 46 years contribution to the community.

Les Esling Trustee of the Playing Fields Association contacted the council to advise that a container will be sited at Weaverham Road Football Field to store the goal posts that continue to be vandalised. The container will be painted green and will be set back close to the trees alongside Weaverham Road. The PFA requested that the Parish Council apply for planning permission and the Council agreed.

Network Rail admitted responsibility for the damaged culvert in Waste Lane. For the past 2 years the residents have been liaising with Network Rail and Prism.

Following a site visit with members of Waste Lane the parish clerk contacted Prism who are in the insurance company for Network Rail and Prism offered £1,690.00 for the culvert to be repaired. The clerk attended the Waste Lane Residents Assoc. AGM and advised accordingly, the Council **RESOLVED** that, they accept Prism’s offer, but the Council are not able to fund any additional repair costs at this moment in time. The Clerk will work with the WLRA to get the culvert repaired.

The Council will be working with the community heartbeat trust to install the defibrillator in Poplar Close Red Kiosk and the parish clerk has been successful in getting WVHT apprentices to paint the red kiosk for free.

26. Allotments – Eden Grange. The Clerk reported that she has facilitated a meeting with Simon Devine, Taylor Wimpey and the Parish Council to gain a clearer understanding of when the Allotments will be ready, the Chairman of the Allotments, and some parish councillor’s will also attend.

It was noted that Taylor Wimpey had previously agreed to donate the land to the Parish Council. There will then be a lease between the parish council and C&S Allotment Association

who are willing to take full responsibility of the day to day running of the Allotments, in order for the parish council not to have to bear any costs relating to the Allotments at Eden Grange.

- 27. Parish Council's Communication.** The Council **RESOLVED** to create a community Facebook page to help pass on information that the Council's receive to residents. Facebook posts may direct the user to the village website, Cllr Maddock and the Clerk will be the administration team.
- 28. War Memorial** – It was reported that the unveiling of the War Memorial was carried out in August with only 30 people allowed due to Covid restrictions. It was **RESOLVED** that; the Parish Council shall maintain the whole area, by adding the work to the Village Maintenance scheduled 2.
- 29. Written reports from other meetings.** Cllr Latham reported that BR35 off Kennel Lane parallel to the A556 has now been tided up by the public rights of way team. In relation to the Proposed Delamere Footpath diversion at end of Oakmere Way, the diversion of the footpath was requested by the council at the commencement of the planning proposals and was conditioned by the Planning Inspectorate in the Appeal approval. The condition re the diversion of the footpath has been approved by the planning officer. Foot Path 3 which goes along by Newpool into Whitegate - CWaC did a lot of work on the duckboards following it being closed for an extended period. Regrettably some of the boards in part are beginning to crumble.
- 30. Village Maintenance.** Cllr Crist reported that the village maintenance group had identified several issues around the village that the Council need to consider. It was **RESOLVED** that; Flea Moss Pit's tall weeds be removed from encroaching up and over into Mayfield Drive Gardens. Also, a couple of trees need lifting.

Boundary Lane Green Play Area- **RESOLVED** that; a Flowering Cherry tree in memory of Chris Lees be planted in late autumn, Council will purchase a memory plaque also.

RESOLVED that; Northwich Town Council cut and remove grass in September and October at Boundary Lane Green; Council to allow for monthly cuts and remove grass from April – October 2021 into the precept requirements. Clean Safe Environments to continue to trim around play equipment twice a month until growing season ends.

Weaverham Road Car Park – **RESOLVED** that; L&R Roadlines carry out the Lining of car park, disabled bays and no parking – this shall be carried out in October half term holidays, it was noted that the carpark must be clear of leaves, litter and any debris before the lining can be carried out.

RESOLVED that; Michael's Landscaping Services to cut the Large hedge that backs onto Weaverham Road from exit point to end of Greenfield Way.

Flower Tubs RESOLVED that; Ivy Drive, Norley Road and A49 be freshened up with winter pansies.

Norley Road Shops also to be included. Planting to be carried out in October.

Various grot spots have also been reported to CWaC Council, members of the Parish Council and the public can report issues online at:

<https://www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk/residents/contact-us/report-it/report-it.aspx>

31. Correspondence. It was noted that PCSO Davey will no longer be the PCSO for the ward, PCSO Bradley Siddall will be the new PCSO. All correspondence should now be passed onto PCSO Siddall, so that he can be kept in the loop on anything happening in the area. The Clerk advised that she send him a list of the dates of Parish Council meetings and request a report is sent if he is unable to attend.

Date.....

Signed..... Chairman