

CRANAGE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of a Parish Council meeting held on Tuesday 20th October 2015 at Cranage Village Hall.

122/15 Declaration of Interest

Councillor J Halstead - I will not declare interest because I do not have any interest beyond that of other members, however in view of a complaint that has been made I will not take part in the debate and I will abstain from *voting*.

Councillor D Madden – land at Middlewich Road

Councillor G Morgan and Councillor M Hodge – potential planning application from Sibelico on Goostrey Lane.

Councillor D Hopley – 15/4313C Manor View, Twemlow Lane CW4 8EX

Public Forum

8 members of the public present

Mr S Davany spoke about the recent letter sent to the residents about the facilities that would be available at Woodside Golf Club.

Councillor G Morgan engaged in a debate with the Mr Davany about her concerns regarding the draft document that had been circulated from 'Bowcock and Pursall', the land owner's solicitors, regarding the Parish Council involvement in the leisure facilities at the golf club. She also challenged the letter that had been delivered about the wording of the PC's involvement.

Councillor R Hurst also expressed concerns about the financial management of the proposal.

Part 1

Present Councillor M Hodge, (Chairman), Councillor R Hurst (Vice Chairman), Councillor J Halstead, Councillor D Hopley, Councillor G Morgan, Councillor A Kolker (Cheshire East) and the Clerk .

122/15 Apologies

Councillor G Yarwood due to a prior engagement.

123/15 Minutes

Amend minute 110/15 to **110A/15** as there were two 110/15. Prop RH. Sec DH.

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on Tuesday 8th September 2015 be approved and signed as a true and accurate record.

124/15 Matters arising from the minutes

Leese Crossroads

A letter had been sent to the occupiers from Holly Bank, Byley Lane to thank them for the cutting of their hedge.

Grass cutting

This had been instructed across the Parish initially for three extra cuts.

Boundary Signs

Prop MH extra 2 signs Sec GM RH abstained

Resolved the clerk would order two extra signs for Middlewich Road and Goostrey Lane.

125/15 Woodside Golf Club

GM proposed that was an extra meeting called and a Part 11 agenda point to include Woodside Golf Club.

Seconded DM

FOR – ALL

Resolved there would be an extraordinary meeting held in November to discuss the proposal from Woodside Golf Club

126/15 Highways

M6

The Clerk has organised Ms Kate Beirne from Highways England to attend the next Parish Council meeting (1st December). It will be an opportunity to address any queries and to talk about the M6 Smart Motorways 16-19 smart motorways project.

Hermitage Bridge

Mr Andrew Kelly had submitted a report about Hermitage Road and Bridge. There had been 500 pieces of documentary evidence assessed and CPC had the opportunity to comment on (deadline 31st October). It had been concluded it was a Cheshire East highway.

Resolved Cranage Parish Council had no comment.

CPC supported Cheshire East in reinstating the highway.

Correspondence from Mr G Hadfield

The clerk and Councillor A Kolker had received several emails from Mr Hadfield about reducing the speed on the A50 from New Platt Lane to Goostrey Lane junctions to 30mph. It seemed after investigation from highways this was not appropriate as it would lead to inappropriate over taking and an alternative of illuminated signs at Northwich Road, New Platt Lane and Goostrey Lane junctions was a better alternative.

Councillor A Kolker would follow up with highways and report back. It was not dependant on LAP funding as Councillor D Brown had supported the proposal.

Bollards outside New House Farm

The bollards and lights were not illuminated outside New House Farm due to wide loads being transported.

AK would report.

Councillor D Madden requested a litter pick and a grass cut at Middlewich Road junction.

127/15 Land at Middlewich Road

The Clerk had contacted three solicitors –

- i) Stevens Solicitors – Declined to quote as not work carried out.

- ii) Blunts Solicitors – again expertise was not available
- iii) Knights Solicitors – three alternatives were suggested. Their expertise was in this field and the clerk would circulate the details. The options of public access was an issue.
Ms Alison Bailey had offered to attend a meeting at £150.00 plus VAT but this would be refundable if instructed.
The Councillors would read options and the Clerk would then request a quote if the work was carried out.

128/15 Play Area

Resolved the Parish Council would fund the Wooden Trail at £9,995.30 out of the capital budget now the lottery funding had been received.
The Clerk had circulated a draft newsletter.

Resolved the newsletter would be delivered by members next week and then the work could commence by Pentagon.

129/15 Land behind Village Hall

The Clerk had sent a map and details about the intentions of the Parish Council to improve the area behind the Village Hall.
There had been several emails sent but no response had come back. The Clerk requested the support of the Ward member.

130/15 Pension for the Clerk

Councillor R Hurst had attended a Pensions Update Session in Crewe 12.10.15, the speaker was John Houston Head of Pensions at LGA.
All details had to be kept for 6 years.
RH communicated details and would action this on behalf of the Council. The Clerk would contact HW & SB to ensure it was their intention to join.

131/15 Footpath and Tree Report

The official car park for the football pitches could not be found by away teams.
The drainage issue has not been addressed on the far football pitch.
The PC requested the Clerk to ask the 'Hurricanes' could purchase one.
There is a litter problem in the playing fields car park.
The footpath from Manor Barns into H/Chapel still not addressed.

Mr A Bagley still had issues with the footpaths across his and and wished two proposed PROW be dropped so the kissing gates be installed.

Resolved Councillor D Hopley would read the file and report back at the next meeting.

132/15 Local Council Award Scheme

The new website would be ready by the end of the year. The Clerk had advised the host of some amendments to comply with the award requirements.
The members wanted a comment box added if possible.

Resolved the Health and Safety policy and the Grant policy were adopted (with an agreed figure of £100.00)

The Clerk advised a Business Plan was required including the budget and the proof of community engagement.

Resolved Councillor J Halstead would draft a Business Plan before the next meeting.

133/15 Planning Applications

- 15/4430C Rose Cottage, Sandy Lane, Cranage CW4 8HN Construction of 7 new residential dwellings
Resolved Objection
- 15/4313C Manor View, Twemlow Lane, Cranage CW4 8EX Demolition of Stables and construction of new residential development
Resolved Objection
- 15/4179C Rose Farm, Twemlow Lane, Cranage CW4 8EX Proposed conversion of garages and store to granny annexe.
Resolved No Objection

Silbelco proposed Planning Application on Goostrey Lane

There had been two public consultations and the planning application was due to be delivered in 2016.

Members discussed the potential impacts on the traffic through Cranage and Holmes Chapel. They anticipate 200 extra movements each day of which 40% will travel through Holmes Chapel.

134/15 Audit 2014/15

The Parish Council had a clear audit.

Resolved the PC accepted the audit report.

135/15 Accounts

To note the balance of accounts – Leek United 8 £69,071.36 + NatWest £28,384.35 = £97,455.71

PAYMENTS

- £2,964.42 Clerk salary from July to September
- £424.50 HMRC
- £300.00 J & M Building Services Ltd
- £346.00 Ms Shona Amies (website)
- £240.00 BDO
- £388.03 Clerks Expenses from July to September including computer repair
- £10.00 CHALC RH Pension funding session

RECEIPTS

- £10,000 Lottery Funding
- £888.48 SPC
- £575.42 HW & SB

Resolved the above payments be approved and signed for as above.

It was noted the £90.00 overdraft charge would be reimbursed.

136/15 Neighbourhood Plan

The members felt that after attending a Neighbourhood Plan consultation event in Holmes Chapel they need to decide if it is suitable to embark on a Neighbourhood Plan in Cranage.

Resolved the Clerk would add a note to the newsletter requested if the residents were interested in joining a Neighbourhood Plan team.

137/15 Cheshire East

Councillor A Kolker informed members the AP club (re named Holmes Chapel Community Centre) would soon be finished and ready to re open. There was a new gym and activity centre plus there will be fitness clubs. There was a discussion of a swimming pool.

The re examination of the CE Local plan would start again tomorrow in Macclesfield.

There was a consultation event in Holmes Chapel next month as the weight restriction through Holmes Chapel had now ended.

138/15 Chairman/ members report

The Chairman updated members about the Congleton Local Area meeting he had attended where there was a speaker discussing the M6.

He had also spoke at the NPC against the Strata renewable site adjacent to the old Henri Alti site. It had been approved and three hours later conditions of use had been broken.

Councillor J Halstead had attended the Manchester Airport meeting – notes circulated.

139/15 Clerks Report

A letter had been received with no letter inside.

The Clerk had attended a Planning seminar in Sandbach on 2.10.15

140/15 The next meeting would be the on 1st December 2015 @ 7.00pm in Cranage Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 10.05 pm

