

**MINUTES OF TABLEY PARISH COUNCIL BI-MONTHLY MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 8th NOVEMBER 2021 AT 7.30PM**

Present: Councillors H. Gurney-Smith (HGS) – (Chair), D. Bailey (DB) S. Carson (SC), G. Bowen (GB), N. Withenshaw (NW), K. Newport (KN), A. Greenway (AG), T. Jackson (TJ)

Also Present: Ms. S Booth (Parish Clerk), Mr Hartley (MOP).

1. Parish Clerk (PC) to welcome and receive apologies:

1.1 Apologies for absence were given from the following Councillors:

1.1.1 Ward Cllr K Parkinson (WCKP)

2. Declarations of interest:

2.1 Councillors are to declare if they hold any interest on any agenda item for this meeting.

2.1.1 **Resolved** that Cllr D. Bailey declared an interest on the agenda at this meeting.

3. Guest speakers: On the 07/09/21 all the below guests were invited to the Parish Council meeting.

3.1 **M6/ Jct 19: Resolved** that there was no representation from AMEY SRM or HE despite emails being sent to LN at Amey. Questions will be sent to LN at Amey via email and by letter in which HGS will hand deliver.

3.1.1 Can the Parish Council have an indication as to when vehicles will be able to go from Tabley Hill Lane over the A556 to Pickmere Lane? Tabley PC has been waiting for an update on this issue for a prolonged time.

3.1.2 A Cllr updated that the signage does not appear to be right at the Windmill pub heading towards Knutsford. It would appear that there are three lanes for Manchester, and they reduce to two. As this does not seem right could AMEY/HE check the signage and update TPC?

3.1.3 Can AMEY/HO please provide a finishing date for the roadworks and a proposed opening date of when all roads will be open.

3.1.4. It would be incredibly useful if the motorway network signage could be checked as we have received complaints of the motorway network showing no information when a road closure is active.

3.1.5. The Council would like to be furnished with an update as to when Mr Barker's drive (Almond Tree cottage) will be finished. The Cllrs reiterate that this resident has had to put up with so much hassle and he is now still having to chase having his driveway finished.

3.1.6 Counsellors have requested a list of what Amey, and Highways England have actually put back into Tabley since the roadworks have commenced.

3.1.7 The Clerk received an email from LN regarding a donation of a Christmas tree. The email was circulated to the Cllrs and thoughts feedback to Amey on the 04 Oct 2021 14:03:26. Due to no response follow up emails were sent to Amey on 12/10/21 at 10.28, 02/11/21 at 07.41, 03/11/21 at 12.25, 04/11/21 at 19.03 & 19.09. To date we still have had no response which is genuinely concerning, can this be explained?

3.1.8 At the Parish meeting Cllrs have asked if there was to be a Christmas tree donated,

3.1.8.1 Who will plant, look after, and remove the tree when the Christmas season has finished?

3.1.8.2 Who will fund the lighting?

3.1.8.3 Who will do all the health and safety risk assessments on the tree?

3.1.9 It has been suggested that instead of a Christmas tree a donation in way of hampers would be more fitting to the parishioners who have been seriously impacted during the roadworks.

3.1.10 Could you provide an update to the Cllrs in reference to the naming of the bridge project?

3.2 Cheshire East Highways department.

3.2.1 Report logged for the bridge on Budworth Road – Ref no 3440076

Action: PC will chase the progress of the submitted job

3.3 Knutsford Police.

3.3.1 **Resolved** that apologies had been received from CC.

3.4 **Cheshire East Ward Councillor Report**, Ward Cllr Kate Parkinson sent apologies to the meeting.

3.4.1 Cllrs have requested that I forward the email received, regarding the flooding on Moss Lane to WCKP and MPEMV and request that it is dealt with at that level.

3.4.2 It was requested that a letter is written to the MP regarding the state of the roads in Tabley the lack of work being conducted on them.

Action: PC will report back on responses.

3.4.3 AG reported that the streetlights are not working along the A556 from the Smoker Pub to the M6.

Action: PC has logged on the CEC portal and will report back updates.

3.4.4 Cllr requested that the Clerk emails WCKP regarding their concerns regarding what they can submit on the Community Governance Consultation.

Action: PC will report back on responses.

4. Public participation Q & A:

4.1 The public have been advised that government guidelines have to be adhered too. Questions can also be submitted via the above email. Five minutes is permitted to discuss each item.

4.1.1 Rev P Robinson sent her apologies but asked the Clerk to offer a gentle reminder to the Cllrs and remind the Council of the Remembrance Sunday Service at St Paul's on Sunday 14 November - 10.45 start - earlier than normal because of the silence.

Rev P Robinson asked if the Chair would still be able to lay the wreath as usual.

4.1.2 An email has been received and circulated to Parish Cllrs, Ward Cllr, and MP regarding a flooding issue on Moss Lane.

4.2 **Resolved** that no questions had been received.

5. Minutes of the previous meetings presented to the Council:

5.1 Council to agree the minutes from the bi-monthly meeting held on 13/09/21, [P38 to 41] were a true and accurate record.

5.1.1 **Moved** by NW, seconded by KN.

5.1.2 **Resolved** that there were no matters arising from the set of minutes

6. Correspondence: Received (RV) & Responded (RS)

6.1 **RV:** Email from SC regarding 'Local Archive facility.'

6.1.1 **Resolved** that Cllr Wharfe will bring the minute books into the next meeting.

6.2 **RV&RS:** Emails from Amey SRM re Christmas tree donation (**refer to 3.1.7**).

6.2.1 **Resolved** that the Clerk has sent an email and the Chair will take a letter to the site and hand deliver.

6.3 **RS&RV:** Email to report damage to Tabley Brook bridge as discussed at the previous meeting.

6.3.1 **Resolved** that the Clerk has reported the issue and will chase the progress up.

6.4 **RV:** Email circulated to the Cllrs on 021121 regarding a donation of free trees.

6.4.1 **Resolved** that the Council does not need any trees.

6.5 **RV:** Location details provided for viewing the HS2 Bill documents.

6.5.1 **Resolved** the Clerk updated that the location will be detailed in the newspaper and on the gov.uk. website.

7. Community Governance Consultation.

7.1 Cheshire East Council are inviting Parish Councils to 'come and have their say and make their representations before 28th November 2021 regarding the proposals set by Cheshire East Council for the proposed 'governance arrangements for town and parish councils in the borough'. The review, which follows central government and Local Government Boundary Commission for England guidance, is to ensure that community governance arrangements 'continue to reflect local identities and facilitate effective and convenient local government.'

7.1.1 **Resolved** the Clerk will email WCKP and ask for a response to questions raised by the Council. The information will be feedback to the Council and then representation will be made before the deadline.

8. Planning Applications.

8.1 To note updates for the below planning applications as detailed by Cheshire East Council

8.1.1 Allocated Ref No 21/00876E - Over Tabley Hall, Old Hall Lane, Tabley, Cheshire, WA16 0PW

Further to the PC inquiry regarding the above property, the case has now been designated a priority in accordance with the adopted planning enforcement policy, which means that the aim to conduct an initial site visit within five working days of the 5th of October 2021

8.1.2 21/1813M – Freshfields, Budworth Rd, Tabley, Cheshire, WA16 0HZ

Prior approval of additional storey and remodelling of external elevations internal arrangement.

CEC Planning Comments: Cheshire East Council has written to advise that an appeal to the Planning Inspectorate has been lodged against the refusal of the above planning application or our failure to discharge one or more of the conditions.

8.2 To note the below planning applications as detailed by Cheshire East Council

8.2.1 21/5054M– Besom Hill Cottage, Tabley Road, Knutsford, WA16 0EN

Replacement of rear porch with single storey extension. Replacement of 4No timber sheds with 1No. outbuilding.

REGISTERED: 28-09-21: **Comments by:** 04-11-21

Comments Submitted 12/10/21: Submission No: FS-Case-370609940

8.2.2 21/5055M – Besom Hill Cottage, Tabley Road, Knutsford, WA16 0EN

Listed building consent for replacement of rear porch with single storey extension. Replacement of 4No timber sheds with 1No. outbuilding.

REGISTERED: 11-10-21: **Comments by:** 11-11-21

No comments to be submitted

8.2.3 21/5283C – Yew Trees Farm, Budworth Road, Tabley, Cheshire, WA16 0HZ

Proposed garden store and car port.

REGISTERED: 20-10-21: **Comments by:** 17-11-21

No comments to be submitted

8.2.4 21/5299M – Swains Farm, Chester Road, Over Tabley

First floor bedroom extension to rear elevation of agricultural workers dwelling.

REGISTERED: 20-10-21: **Comments by:** 17-11-21

No comments to be submitted

8.2.5 21/5361M – 4 Holly Grove, Tabley, Cheshire, WA16 0HR

Two storey wraparound extension to side and rear elevations. Erection of summer house in rear garden.

REGISTERED: 25-10-21: **Comments by:** 15-11-21

No comments to be submitted

9. Exclusion resolution.

9.1 The Chair RESOLVED that the members of the public who were attending the meeting, could now withdraw from the meeting as the public section had now concluded.

10. Casual Vacancy

10.1 Councillors to discuss the 'registered expressed interest' received from a parishioner.

10.1.1 **Resolved** the Council have unanimously agreed and asked the Clerk to write and offer the post.

11. Parish Precept and Taxbase Arrangements for 2022/23:

11.1 Council to discuss and propose the details regarding the 2022/2023 precept consultation as detailed in the Parish Precept and Taxbase arrangements 2022/23.

11.1.1 **Resolved** the Precept will remain the same for 2022-23.

11.1.2 **Moved** unanimously.

12. Finance

12.1 Barclays Bank Accounts:

12.1.1 Due to complaints made to Barclays bank in reference to not receiving bank statements due to a request to change the correspondence address to that of the new Clerk. The bank have now said that a stop has been put on the account to stop issuing statements from Jan 21. In light of this the Clerk requested permission from the Council to transfer the assumed balances, minus a few pence from the Barclays accounts into the new Unity Trust accounts.

12.1.2 Barclays Chq 100543- S Booth has not been cashed and will be declared void at the meeting and reissued at his meeting from the UTB.

12.1.3 The Clerk would like to ask if a signatory can present themselves at a Barclays branch and request copies of the Barclays bank statements from.

AC **7868** from 28th January to the end of November 2021

AC **4379** from 28th June to the end of November 2021

12.1.3.1 **Resolved** that the signatories on the Barclays account will go into a Barclays branch and request up to date bank statements.

12.2 Unity Trust Bank Accounts:

12.2.1 To note the current financial position in the Unity Trust bank accounts at the **8th November 2021**.

12.2.1.1 Unity Current Account T1 (20448354): £3,065.33

12.2.1.2 Instant Access Account (20448367): £ 545.50

12.3 To approve the following payments.

12.3.1 Cheque 300001 – £266.66 S Booth – Salary Mth 5 & 6

12.3.2 Cheque 300002 – £266.66 S Booth – Salary Mth 7 & 8

12.3.3 Cheque 300003 – £66.67 HMRC – Mth 7 & 8

12.3.4 Cheque 300004 – £40.00 Royal British Legion

13. Any other Business (Comments / Inquiries / Reports): Each Councillor is requested to use this opportunity to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas.

13.1 AG – Asked for the Cllrs to think of any ideas that we can do for the queens Platinum Jubilee next year.

Action: *Add as an agenda item at the next meeting.*

13.2 HGS – We will look at doing a Newsletter in January 22

14. Date of the next meeting will be Monday 14th March 2022

Meeting closed at 9.15pm.

Chair Cllr H Gurney-Smith