

**SHAVINGTON-CUM-GRESTY PARISH COUNCIL**  
**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL ON**  
**WEDNESDAY, 1<sup>st</sup> FEBRUARY 2012**

**Present:** Councillors Mrs G McIntyre, Mrs S Cheshire, Mrs A Yoxall, Mrs V Adams, P Yoxall, R Clarke, B Melling, D Miller, S Hogben and Mrs B Kelly.

**Apologies for absence:** Councillors K Gibbs and Mrs R Hancock. Members also noted apologies from Ward Councillor D Brickhill.

**Also in attendance:** Mr R Ellison and 26 members of the public (for item 187).

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**186. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Councillor B Melling declared a prejudicial interest in Minute No. 195 ii. and left the room during the discussion and decision on this item.

**187. PLANNING APPLICATION No. 11/4549/N – OUTLINE APPLICATION FOR 80 DWELLINGS AT ROPE LANE FOR WAIN HOMES**

The Parish Council considered the outline planning application by Wain Homes for 80 dwellings at land at Rope Lane, allowing input by local residents which it considered to be in the public interest.

A lengthy debate ensued and a large number of objection points were made and noted.

**RESOLVED:** a) That the Parish Council objects to this planning application on a number of grounds: erosion of the green gap; against current planning policy; prejudicial to the consideration of alternative options arising from the on-going Place Shaping consultation; outside of the settlement boundary; and a large number of other objection points raised by local residents.

b) That the Clerk write to Cheshire East Council to request a public open meeting with Officers and Councillors to discuss the objections to this planning application.

c) That Mr R Ellison be appointed to prepare detailed objections to this application incorporating all of the concerns expressed by the Parish Council and local residents, for submission to Cheshire East Council by the deadline date of 8<sup>th</sup> February 2012.

d) That a discussion take place at a future meeting over how the Parish Council may proceed in respect of preparing submissions on any further large scale planning applications received.

**188. PCSO'S AND POLICING ISSUES REPORTS**

The Vice-Chair advised that PC D Sambrook was unable to be present at the meeting on this occasion but had prepared a brief information report on progress which she reported on his behalf. Members made reference to problems of dog and horse fouling of footpaths around the Village and asked that the PCSO's be made aware of the concerns and to remain alert to this on their patrols around the Parish.

**189. MINUTES**

**RESOLVED:** a) That the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> January 2012 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

- b) That the minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on 10<sup>th</sup> January 2012 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.
- c) That the minutes of the Village Hall Management Committee Meeting held on 11<sup>th</sup> January 2012 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

**MATTERS ARISING:**

**190. Youth Club – request for funding (159 and 165)**

The Parish Council again considered whether to award grant aid in response to requests from the Youth Club taking into account the content of reports received, and the detail of a further approach from the Club Chairman, Rodney Walker.

**RESOLVED:** That consideration of grant aid to the Youth Club be deferred until a clearer picture of funding availability from 1<sup>st</sup> April 2012 was available since there was still uncertainty over the future funding from Cheshire East Council and members were reluctant to commit funds if they could be seen to be replacement funding for Cheshire East funding.

**191. Park Estate ‘No Cold Calling’ Zone (149 and 167)**

Members noted that the two PCSO’s had commenced the canvas of at the Park Estate, Northway and Westway.

**192. Grounds Maintenance Contract (175)**

**RESOLVED:** That the recommendation of the Environment Committee be approved and the contract with M Webster & Son be extended for a further two years: 2012/13 and 2013/14.

**193. CAR PARK GATE – ST MARK’S**

The Parish Council noted that the Vice-Chair, Councillor P Yoxall and Clerk had met with members from St Mark’s on 24<sup>th</sup> January for a lengthy discussion over issues relating to the gate and access onto the Parish Council’s property. A way forward was agreed in terms of a possible indemnity, or via the granting of an annual renewable access license with appropriate annual fee and subject to the Church Hall funding any minor alterations to the car park such as lining and the provision of a fixed bollard; and agreeing to keep the key in a ‘break glass’ type secure box. The Clerk advised that in the first instance he would approach the Parish Council’s insurers to ask whether a standard form of wording for an indemnity was available.

During the discussion on car parking in the meeting the Church representatives commented that they had apparently not made a contribution to the Parish Council towards the school car park rental for the last 7 years. They indicated that if a formal approach in the form of a reminder was made by the Parish Council then this matter would be addressed.

**194. HM QUEEN ELIZABETH II DIAMOND JUBILEE**

The Clerk reported that the Jubilee celebrations would centre around an extended bank holiday weekend on 2, 3, 4 and 5 June 2012 and that the Parish Council had already indicated its commitment to providing its assistance to the SVFC in its arrangements for local celebrations. Members were then asked to consider whether a permanent reminder of the Jubilee - for example a tree or particular piece of landscaping etc should be acquired to mark the occasion.

**RESOLVED:** That the provision of a permanent reminder of the Diamond Jubilee be agreed in principle and that the matter be discussed further at the next meeting to agree what form this should take.

## 195 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Parish Council considered two planning application and

**RESOLVED:** That the following observations be forwarded to Cheshire East Council:

- i. Planning application No.12/0079/N – alterations and extension at 17 Mercian Close – no objections.
- ii. Planning application No.12/0054/N – certificate of lawfulness 125 Crewe Road – concerns over the impact on neighbouring properties of this proposed extension - specifically in terms of possible over-dominance and loss of light.

## 196. PLANNING MATTERS

The Parish Council noted correspondence forwarded by Ward Councillor D Brickhill which indicated that the Appeal by Vodafone for a mast on the footpath outside the Coconut Grove public house had been allowed.

## 197. CORRESPONDENCE

The Parish Council received and noted the following items of correspondence:

- i. An e-mail from Rodney Walker concerning the Youth Club and asking the Parish Council to consider a grant before the end of this current financial year; and from Councillor Hogben advising of some grant funding which the Youth Club had secured from Cheshire East Council for 2012/13.
- ii. A copy of e-mails concerning the status of Santune House.
- iii. An e-mail from Charlie Griffies, the Streetscape Operations Manager at Cheshire East Council confirming that the Parish Compact scheme funding would continue for 2012/13.
- iv. An invitation to a 'Connecting Communities' event at the Alexandra Conference Suite on 7<sup>th</sup> March.
- v. Information from Cheshire East Performance and Partnerships advising that community groups could now apply for grant funding of up to £100 to support Diamond Jubilee weekend events.
- vi. An invitation for the Chairman to attend the SVFC Pantomime at Shavington Leisure Centre.

## 198. FINANCIAL MATTERS

**RESOLVED:** That the following payments be approved:

i.	C Moulton – Clerk's salary January 2012 (£820.56 less tax/NI)	£618.57
ii.	M Webster & Son – grounds maintenance work January 2012	£744.68
iii.	Petty cash reimbursement	£50.00
iv.	Mrs B Kelly mileage reimbursement	£5.40

## 199. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

**RESOLVED:** That the next Meeting of the Parish Council be held at the Village Hall on Wednesday, 7<sup>th</sup> March 2012 commencing at 7.15pm.

Chairman .....  
7<sup>th</sup> March 2012