SHAVINGTON-CUM-GRESTY PARISH COUNCIL MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL ON WEDNESDAY, 4th DECEMBER 2013

Present: Councillors Mrs G McIntyre, Mrs S Cheshire, Mrs V Adams, S Hogben, Mrs A Yoxall,

D Miller, Mr R Clarke, Mrs R Hancock, P Yoxall and W McIntyre.

Apologies for absence: Councillors B Melling and K Gibbs.

Also in attendance: PCSO M Minton, Ward Councillor D Brickhill and eleven members of the public.

149. CO-OPTION TO VACANT SEAT

The Clerk explained that expressions of interest in the seat had been invited from local eligible people by advertisements on the Council's notice boards and on its website, and that this had resulted in just one being received, from Mr William McIntyre.

RESOLVED: That Mr William McIntyre be co-opted onto the Parish Council to serve until the next ordinary elections in May 2015.

150. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND GRANTING OF DISPENSATIONS

Councillors Mrs G McIntyre and W McIntyre declared an interest in Minute No.156 i. in respect of the objections to the inclusion of the Shavington East site in the Cheshire East Core Strategy and took no part in the discussion or decision.

151. PCSO'S AND POLICING ISSUES REPORT

The Council welcomed PCSO M Minton who presented her detailed verbal report on policing activity in the Parish during the previous month. Councillors noted the information in respect of crime and antisocial behaviour incidents.

The Parish Council also received reports of speeding vehicles along Southbank Avenue at School arrival and departure times and felt that the majority of these must be parents. The Parish Council asked PCSO Minton to visit the School to ask the Headteacher to remind parents of the safety implications of driving at inappropriately high speed along Southbank Avenue and around the School turning circle; and also asked the Clerk to write to the Headteacher along the same lines to endorse the request.

152. QUESTIONS/COMMENTS FROM THE PUBLIC

The Parish Council suspended the meeting to allow input from members of the public present, and a number of highway and planning related matters were raised in relation to: pre-application consultations by agents for potential developers of sites to the rear of 71 Main Road (70 houses) and to the rear of 447-449 Newcastle Road (29 houses); traffic speeds along Main Road; and speeds of buses through the Village.

153. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 6th November 2013 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

154. VILLAGE HALL MATTERS

The Council discussed the condition of the Yew tree Christmas Lights and noted that efforts to have the broken strands repaired had not been successful. Members agreed to leave them in-situ for this festive period and look at renewing then lights in good time for Christmas 2014.

155. CORRESPONDENCE

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

- i. A letter from St Luke's Hospice thanking the Parish Council for forwarding the cheque for £50 from the Best Kept Gardens competition winners.
- ii. A letter from the St Mark's Toddler Group making application for grant aid from the Council's small grants scheme towards the cost of new equipment for the Group.
- iii. A letter from the tenant of allotment plot 3 indicating that he did not wish to continue his tenancy of the plot.
- iv. Copies of two footpath diversion orders from Cheshire East Council following the recent consultation exercises.

156. PLANNING MATTERS

i. Cheshire East Council Core Strategy Consultation

The Council considered the latest Cheshire East consultation document in respect of the Core Strategy which was due to end on 16th December 2013. The document was very lengthy but contained the detail of only two Shavington sites – the Triangle (which had already been approved), and Shavington East.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk submit the identical objections to the inclusion of Shavington East in the Core Strategy as the Parish Council submitted when the planning application was made.

ii. Planning Application No. 13/4570N - completion of a building and its use as two dwellings at 187a Crewe Road.

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council has some concerns over the vehicular access arrangements and highway safety implications at this location on Crewe Road.

iii. Planning Application No. 13/4712N - detached dwelling on land adjacent to 22 Main Road.

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council has concerns over the potential impact on traffic flow and highway safety if vehicles from this property were parked outside on the road, and would request that adequate off-road parking for two vehicles is provided on the site.

iv. Planning Application No. 13/4675N – outline application for 47 houses at 414 Newcastle Road

RESOLVED: That the Clerk resubmit the same objections that were submitted by the Council in respect of the earlier application on this site (13/3018), in August 2013 when the number of dwellings proposed was 39.

 Planning Application No. 13/4830N - erection of new dwelling at Pusey Dale Farm, Main Road

RESOLVED: No objections.

157. FINANCIAL MATTERS

RESOLVED: a) That the following payments be approved:

i.	C Moulton – Clerk's salary (£820.56 less tax/NI)	£618.57
ii.	M Webster & Son – grounds maintenance work November 2013	£824.82
iii.	C Willetts website updates	£25.00
iv.	HMRC Clerks tax/NI deducted October-December 2013	£605.97
V	MT Services Computer Systems Ltd – computer	£570.00

b) That further to the written application received from the St Mark's Toddler Group a grant of £250 be awarded towards new equipment for the Group.

158. REPLACEMENT WASTE BIN ADJACENT TO CO-OP STORE

The Clerk was asked to request Cheshire East Council to install a new waste bin adjacent to the bench seat by the Co-op Store.

159. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED: That the next meeting of the Parish Council be held at the Village Hall on Wednesday, 8th January 2014 commencing at 7.15pm.

There being no further business the Chair declared the meeting closed at 9.10pm.

Chair		 	 	
8th January	/ 2014			