

SHAVINGTON-CUM-GRESTY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE VILLAGE
HALL ON WEDNESDAY, 2nd MAY 2012

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

Apologies for absence: None.

Also in attendance: PCSO M Minton, Ward Councillor D Brickhill and 10 members of the public.

001. ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN FOR 2012/13

RESOLVED: That Councillor Mrs G McIntyre be elected as Chair of the Parish Council for the 2012/13 year.

In accepting the position Councillor Mrs McIntyre paid tribute to the work of her predecessor, Councillor K Gibbs, and gave an undertaking to members that she would carry out the duties of leading the Council and representing the interests of the residents of the Parish to the best of her abilities.

002. ELECTION OF VICE-CHAIRMAN FOR 2012/13

RESOLVED: That Councillor K Gibbs be elected as Vice-Chair of the Parish Council for the 2012/13 year.

003. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations were made.

004. PCSO'S AND POLICING ISSUES REPORT

The Parish Council welcomed PCSO M Minton who presented her verbal report on policing activity in the Parish over the preceding month, and members noted the content of crimes and anti-social behaviour incidents.

In respect of continuing parking on pavements causing obstruction the Parish Council asked that this be focused on by the PCSO's in coming weeks.

The Parish Council was pleased to note that the bollards at the Goodall's Corner junction had now been installed but that there were still a number of disputes in the vicinity being monitored by the PCSO's.

Councillor Mrs G McIntyre then thanked both PCSO's for their recent support on traffic counts and reported details of the numbers for information.

The Parish Council then thanked PCSO Minton for her attendance and report and wished her well as she would be away from duties for several weeks on medical grounds during June and July. The Clerk advised that he would ask Inspector A Smith what arrangements would be in place for cover during this time.

005. REVIEW OF STANDING ORDERS

The Parish Council considered whether the Standing Orders required any amendment or revision.

RESOLVED: That the Standing Orders be amended by the addition of the following points:

- i. The establishment of a Finance Committee in accordance with the terms of reference as submitted and attached as Appendix to these minutes.

- ii. That from the 2012/13 financial year the term of office of Chair of the Parish Council be limited to two consecutive years to ensure that all Councillors have an opportunity to carry out the role if they wished.

006. APPOINTMENTS TO SERVE ON PARISH COUNCIL COMMITTEES AND IN OTHER CAPACITIES

RESOLVED: That the following appointments be made:

- a. **Environment Committee:** Councillors K Gibbs, Mrs B Kelly, P Yoxall, Mrs A Yoxall, Mrs S Cheshire and R Clarke, plus two non-members: Mr A Dickenson and Mr C Walker.
- b. **Village Hall Management Committee:** Councillors K Gibbs, Mrs V Adams, Mrs G McIntyre, D Miller, together with representatives of outside organisations: Mrs J Clarke and Mrs Y Williams.
- c. **Finance Committee:** Councillors Mrs G McIntyre, K Gibbs, P Yoxall, S Hogben and R Clarke.
- d. **Planning Group (Ad-hoc):** Councillors S Hogben, Mrs G McIntyre, Mrs B Kelly and B Melling.
- e. **Parish Plan Steering Group:** Councillors Mrs G McIntyre and Mrs R Hancock.
- f. **Village Festival Committee Representative:** Councillor Mrs R Hancock.
- g. **Wybunbury United Charities:**
Administration: Councillors Mrs A Yoxall and Mrs S Cheshire
Estate: Councillors R Clarke and P Yoxall
- h. **Cheque signatories:** Councillors K Gibbs, P Yoxall, Mrs B Kelly, Mrs R Hancock.
- i. **Shavington Youth Centre Management Committee representative:** Councillor Mrs R Hancock.
- j. **Cheque signatories – Theo Steele Bequest:** Councillors K Gibbs and Mrs R Hancock, and Mr A Dickenson.

007. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

No questions were raised.

008. MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 4th April 2012 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

MATTERS ARISING:

009. Bloor Homes (2011/12: 207 i, and 232)

The Parish Council noted that Mr S Barlow from Bloor Homes had been unable to attend the meeting as planned and tendered his apologies, but had supplied a letter explaining the current position in respect of the Company's proposals for the site at Gresty which was circulated.

010. Planning application No.12/0717N - To make permanent previous application re: dog grooming parlour at 61 Rope Lane, Shavington

Further to the objections submitted following the last meeting, the Parish Council noted that this application would be considered by Cheshire East Council's Southern Planning Committee on 9th May 2012. Ward Councillor D Brickhill explained that the Officer recommendation was to approve it subject

to a number of conditions including that it be for a temporary period of two years; that 4 car parking spaces were provided; that noise attenuation details be submitted and approved; and that the temporary permission be for up to ten dogs per day, and operational only during 9am-6pm weekdays (9am – 1pm on Saturday).

011. SANTUNE HOUSE

The Parish Council welcomed Mr Tom Slater to the meeting. Mr Slater was the owner of Santune House and had requested a few minutes to briefly explain the proposals for the site. Mr Slater explained to members that it had been the original intention to keep the building, change it to residential use and convert it into flats. However, he had found that this was not a viable proposition, so now the plan was to demolish the building and build 7 townhouses and four flats and on the same footprint as the existing building and at the same height, plus one detached house. The existing bungalow on the site would be retained giving a total of 13 dwellings.

The Parish Council thanked Mr Slater for his time and explained that its comments on the proposals would be made in response to a detailed planning application when it was submitted.

012. PLANNING MATTERS

i. David Wilson Homes (land between the Park Estate and Shavington Hall)

Following the consultation event held in April, Andrew Taylor of the company approached the then Chairman Councillor K Gibbs to ask if it might be possible for him to address the Parish Council over the proposed housing scheme. The Parish Council noted that an invitation to the meeting on 6th June 2012 had been extended.

013. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Parish Council considered four planning applications and

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

- i. Planning application No.12/0410N – rear conservatory at 52 Osborne Grove - No objections**
- ii. Planning Application No.12/1392N – Change of use from A1 to D1 at 248 Crewe Road - No objections**
- iii. Planning Application No.12/1200N – Two storey side extension and replace flat roof at 299 Newcastle Road - No objections.**
- iv. Planning Application No. 12/1157N – variation of condition 14 of P03/1071 relating to the proposed rail link at land off Crewe Road, Basford West** – The Parish Council objects to this proposal on the following grounds: This application, to remove the railway siding condition to warehouse development at Basford West will result in a greater need and demand for road haulage, adding more heavy vehicle movements to a local road infrastructure already under strain, and causing further congestion and inconvenience to residents and other road users. The rail link was a pivotal element of the original approval and the Parish Council feels strongly that the principle of rail movement should be maintained.

That Ward Councillor David Brickhill be asked to call-in the application for determination by the Committee; and that the suggestion be made that if it has not already done so, the views of The Basford East and Basford West Action Group be canvassed by Cheshire East Council.

014. HM QUEEN ELIZABETH II DIAMOND JUBILEE

Councillor P Yoxall updated Members on the progress of the Jubilee Garden at the Village Hall and the Parish

Council agreed that the work was progressing very well.

The Parish Council also considered proposals for a new Village Hall sign and agreed the wording for the garden stone and bench seat plaques.

Members agreed that the new bench seat and signs/plaques would be installed by Mr D Espley before the end of May 2012 and in time for the Jubilee weekend.

In respect of the Jubilee mugs for the children of Shavington Primary school the Clerk reported that the first batch had arrived and that the remainder should be delivered by the end of May. The Parish Council agreed that the Chair, Vice-Chair and Clerk be authorised to make the necessary arrangements for the mugs to be handed out at the School on a convenient date.

015. CORRESPONDENCE

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

- i. A letter from SVFC inviting the Chairman to attend the opening of the Diamond Jubilee Village Festival on Saturday 2nd June 2012 at 1.15pm.
- ii. The Cheshire East Council Revised Interim Planning Policy for the release of housing land consultation notification asking for the Parish Council's views.
- iii. Notification of a temporary road closure of Weston Lane between Back Lane and Casey Lane on 10th May 2012 to enable essential tree maintenance works to be carried out.

016. FINANCIAL MATTERS

RESOLVED: That the following payments be approved:

i.	C Moulton – Clerk's salary April 2012 (£820.56 less tax/NI)	£618.57
ii.	M Webster & Son – grounds maintenance work April 2012	£774.47
iii.	Mid-Cheshire Footpath Society subscription	£8.00
iv.	Shavington Youth Club second instalment of grant aid	£500.00
v.	Mrs G McIntyre – parking reimbursement	£3.00

017. ROPE LANE AND CREWE ROAD, GRESTDY

The Parish Council received reports of overgrown trees and hedges in these locations which were impeding pedestrians using the footpaths in these locations, and asked the Clerk to request Cheshire East Highways Department to investigate the reports with a view to having the trees and hedges pruned accordingly.

018. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED: That the next meeting of the Parish Council be held at the Village Hall on Wednesday, 6th June 2012 commencing at 7.15pm.

Chair
6th June 2012