

SHAVINGTON-CUM-GRESTY PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT THE VILLAGE HALL ON
WEDNESDAY, 4th APRIL 2012

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

Apologies for absence: Councillor K Gibbs and B Melling.

Also in attendance: PCSO P Corbett and 7 members of the public.

228. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Councillor Mrs R Hancock declared a prejudicial interest in minute 236 (Grant to the Shavington Village Festival Committee towards its Jubilee celebrations for the Village) and left the room during the discussion and decision on this item.

229. PCSO'S AND POLICING ISSUES REPORTS

The Parish Council welcomed PCSO P Corbett who presented his verbal report on policing activity in the Parish over the preceding month, and members noted the content of the 5 crimes and 8 anti-social behaviour incidents.

Members were pleased to note that the canvas of residents at the Park Estate in preparation for the introduction of a possible second 'No Cold Calling' zone in the Village was progressing well.

In respect of dog fouling the Parish Council received a report explaining the problems and how the Dog Wardens could be assisted to provide an improved service in the Village through the use of special bio-degradeable paint to mark the affected areas. Members agreed that the Parish Council would supply appropriate paint and stencil to help enable the Dog Wardens provide an improved service in the Village in future and asked to the Clerk to acquire the materials .

Councillor Mrs G McIntyre then reported the results of her own informal traffic count along Crewe Road to illustrate the volume of traffic using this route and Members agreed to invite Inspector A Smith from Cheshire Police to attend a future meeting to discuss traffic issues and other relevant matters with the Parish Council.

230. QUESTIONS FROM THE PUBLIC

A number of questions were raised and discussed – these largely related to Cheshire East Council and planning/housing issues and the Parish Council gave its response by confirming its stance and opinion.

231. MINUTES

RESOLVED: a) That the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 7th March 2012 be approved as a correct record, subject to an amendment to the date, and signed by the Chairman.

b) That the minutes of the Environment Committee Meeting held on 13th March 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 14th March 2012 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

d) That the minutes of the Audit Group meeting held on 21st March 2012 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

MATTERS ARISING:

232. Bloor Homes (207 i)

The Parish Council noted that Mr S Barlow from Bloor Homes had approached the Chairman to ask if he would be able to address the Parish Council again following the refusal of the last planning application as the Company was considering how it may proceed. The Council noted that this request had been granted and Mr Barlow would address the May meeting but on the strict understanding that the Parish Council would only listen and not be drawn into any consultation exercise.

233. Taylor Wimpey (207 iii)

The Chair reported that local businesses at Gresty had now obtained specialist independent highway advice to reinforce the previous objections at the appeal and that the Parish Council's input into this element would not therefore be required.

234. PLANNING MATTERS

I. WAIN HOMES

The Parish Council was very pleased to note that this application had been refused by the Cheshire East Strategic Planning Board on 21st March 2012, and that the Chairman of the Board praised the Parish Council for the quality and strength of its detailed objections.

II. LDF Place Shaping Consultation exercise

The Parish Council noted the summary of the Cheshire East LDF Place Shaping Consultation exercise published on its website. The number responses from Shavington had only been 42 and the Parish Council's Planning Consultant, Richard Ellison, had suggested that at the next stage of the consultation process the Parish Council should try to encourage a greater response from local residents.

235 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

The Parish Council considered two planning applications and

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

i. **Planning application No.12/0717N - To make permanent previous application re: dog grooming parlour at 61 Rope Lane, Shavington** - The Parish Council objects to the application on the following grounds:

1. The works approved by the previous application for a temporary one year period have only recently been carried out so the activity has not been in operation for long enough to have been adequately monitored under its current permission.
2. This is a commercial business in a residential area.
3. There is no air filtering or ventilation system in place, concern over dust and hair clippings being blown over neighbouring property.
4. If the door and window were opened to increase ventilation this would be at the expenses of noise pollution from the dryer.
5. The Parish Council is not convinced that the off-road parking provision for three vehicles is available as suggested.
6. There have been two serious road traffic accidents along this stretch of Rope Lane recently from vehicles travelling at excessive speeds.

7. Although not a planning consideration the Parish Council is aware of a covenant on the property preventing any commercial use.

That Ward Councillor David Brickhill be asked to call-in the application for determination by the Committee.

ii. Planning application No.12/0943N-construction of two story extension to rear of 11 Park Estate, Shavington – no objections.

236. 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 expressed its appreciation for his work on co-ordinating this project.

Members also discussed the style of bench to be acquired for Main Road, and progress on the acquisition of ceramic mugs for children at the Primary School.

In addition the Parish Council discussed the exciting and varied programme of events being developed by the Shavington Village Festival Committee to mark the Diamond Jubilee long weekend and discussed how it could support the Committee in delivering some of these ideas.

RESOLVED: a) That a grant of £300 be made to the Shavington Village Festival Committee for it to use towards developing celebratory events across the Diamond Jubilee weekend.
b) That the Grafton bench be purchased from Streetmaster at a cost of £600 plus VAT and delivery.

237. CORRESPONDENCE

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

- i. The Cheshire East Council SHLAA 'Call for Sites' 2012 and a copy of the Cabinet Member for Performance and Capacity's decision notice concerning this decision.
- ii. An e-mail reply from Rodney Walker concerning the Youth Club grant.
- iii. A copy of an e-mail exchange between Cheshire East Highways and Councillor D Brickhill concerning the imminent introduction of a 7.5T weight limit on Chestnut Avenue and Vine Tree Avenue.

238. FINANCIAL MATTERS

i. Accounts for payment

RESOLVED: That the following payments be approved:

i.	C Moulton – Clerk's salary March 2012 (£820.56 less tax/NI)	£618.57
ii.	M Webster & Son – grounds maintenance work March 2012	£744.68
iii.	Weaver Business Machines photocopier maintenance	£69.70
iv.	Shavington Youth Club first instalment of grant aid	£500.00
v.	Insignia Limited – Jubilee mugs	£597.02
vi.	Mr C Walker – reimbursement for timber for allotment site	£51.49
vii.	JH Gas Services – allotment site tap	£95.00
viii.	P Yoxall – travelling expenses	£11.70
ix.	Davies & Johnson – external lamp repair	£19.20
x.	SVFC grant for Diamond Jubilee	£300.00

ii. 2011/12 Financial Out-turn report

The Clerk presented his full year report on the Parish Council's finances for the Council's consideration prior to the accounts being forwarded to the Internal Auditor for inspection, and subsequently on to the Audit Commission.

RESOLVED: That the report be accepted and that the accounts be approved for submission to Audit.

239. PICCADILLY FOOTPATH

The Parish Council discussed the poor response of Cheshire East highways in respect of problems with this footpath which had last been discussed with them by Councillor P Yoxall earlier in the year. Since then no work had been carried out and no further feedback received.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk be asked to write to the Cheshire East Cabinet Member with responsibility for highway issues, Councillor Menlove, to advise him of this poor service and request an explanation.

240. DATE OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED: That the Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Meeting of the Parish Council be held at the Village Hall on Wednesday, 2nd May 2012 commencing at 7.00pm.

Chairman

2nd May 2012