

TWEMLOW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at the at the Yellow Broom restaurant on Tuesday 7th May 2019 at 7.30pm

Present: Cllrs Brandreth, Bayley, R Burns, N Burns, Price, Bowers and Laverick, Mrs. V Marchant (clerk)

Apologies: None

31/19 The councillors were welcomed to the meeting following an uncontested election and were asked to sign the declaration of acceptance of office in the presence of the clerk who then witnessed their signed forms.

32/19 Election of a Chairman

Cllr Price nominated Cllr Craig Brandreth for the office of chairman and this was seconded by Cllr Russell Burns.

Resolved: The Parish Council resolved unanimously to appoint Cllr Craig Brandreth to the role of Chairman.

33/19 Declaration of Acceptance of Chairman was duly signed by Cllr Brandreth and witnessed by the clerk.

34/19 Election of vice chairman

The Chairman proposed Cllr Russell Burns for the role of Vice Chairman and this was seconded by Cllr Bowers.

Resolved: The Parish Council resolved unanimously to appoint Cllr Russell Burns into the role of Vice Chairman

35/19 Declaration of Acceptance of Vice Chairman was duly signed by Cllr R Burns and witnessed by the clerk.

Declarations of Interest: None

Public forum: 1 member of the public was welcomed

- There is a broken 30 MPH sign on the ground by Blue State Farm on Twemlow Lane.
Action – VM to report it to Highways.

36/19 Minutes

Resolved: The Parish Council resolved to accept the minutes of the meeting of the 5th March as a true record of the meeting and these were duly signed by the Chairman.

37/19 Matters arising from the minutes

Water continues to gather on the road near Saltersford Farm. The clerk had been unable to contact the home owner to discuss the situation. It was established that the precise location of the problem is between Saltersford Cottage and Saltersford Farm on Macclesfield Road. **Action** – VM to report the matter to highways.

38/19 Speed watch

Craig Brandreth and Tony Collier successfully completed their speed watch training with PCSO Chesters and are now able to join in with the speed watch sessions. **Action** - speed watch team to liaise and arrange sessions.

At the training CB learned the following;

- You have to be visible by 100 meters
- You are only allowed to operate the speed gun on a designated footpath

With the above in mind CB kindly cleared the footpath near Twemlow Manor Fields and this section can now be used for operation of the speed gun. TP has kindly volunteered to clear and area of overhanging branches to allow further access on this stretch of footpath.

During the training the PCSO suggested the purchase of a more accurate speed gun. **Action** – CB to pass the model numbers over to VM who will cost a replacement and the possible resale of the existing speed gun.

39/19 Speeding on Twemlow Lane

In conjunction with the speed watch training mentioned above CB learned that it is an offence for vehicles to park on the bobbled paved area by Twemlow Manor Fields and any offending vehicles should be reported to PCSO Chesters with photographic evidence if possible.

VM priced 30 mph speed stickers for the wheelie bins along Twemlow Lane at £15.99 for 12 stickers. CB advised that 60 stickers would be needed. **Action** – VM to obtain a bulk price for 60 stickers.

Portable SID machines were again discussed as a possible deterrent for speeding in Twemlow on the whole. It was noted that speed watch sessions can not take place on the A535, 40 Acres Lane etc. because of the lack of a footpath but that speeding through the whole of the village should be considered. **Action** – VM to obtain an up to date price for a portable SID.

40/19 Highways

The grass verge on the corner of Twemlow Lane/Goostrey Lane outside Blackden House needs cutting and regularly maintaining. **Action** – VM to contact the council and ask them to include this on their next visit.

There is a drain flooding water on Twemlow Lane between Orchards Farm & Bosley Cottage. **Action** – VM to contact Highways

RTA'S

On the first weekend in April a cyclist was knocked from a bike whilst exiting Twemlow Lane and The Ambulance service were called.

41/19 Planning Applications

19/1272C

Two-storey front extension at 13, TWEMLOW LANE, HOLMES CHAPEL, CW4 8DT

Resolved – no objections

19/1902C

Demolition of section of agricultural building. Conversion of existing barns to B1 use. Alteration of vehicular access (Amendment to approval 18/5360C) at Saltersford Farm, MACCLESFIELD ROAD, TWEMLOW GREEN, CW4 8ANN

Resolved – no objections

42/19 Accounts

To note the balance of account = £3586.45

To authorise the following payments –

£13.52 – Clerks travel expenses

£63.36 – CHALC subscription fee

£282.96 – Zurich Insurance

Resolved: The Parish Council resolved to approve all the payments on the payments schedule.

Receipts

£1875.00 1st installment of precept

43/19 Operation London Bridge

The death of a senior member of the Royal Family or a serving Prime Minister was discussed. As the council does not have a public building it was agreed that no photographs or book of condolence were necessary however a statement of condolence should be prepared to be uploaded on to the website on any such sad occasion.

Resolved – VM to prepare a statement on behalf of the Chairman and council

44/19 Cycling clubs

The dates were noted for the upcoming time trials for Congleton Cycling club at the 21st May and 9th July.

CB had received a complaint about another cycling club using offensive language and parking inconsiderately. **Action** – CB to pass details to VM so that contact can be made with the relevant cycling club.

45/19 Annual Governance Statement Section 1

CB read out the Annual Governance Statement section 1.

Resolved – The annual Governance Statement Section 1 was accepted by the full council

46/19 Annual Governance Statement Section 2

CB read out section 2 of the Annual Governance Statement.

Resolved – The annual Governance Statement Section 2 was accepted by the full council

47/19 Declaration of interest forms for councilors

VM distributed the new declaration of interest forms to all councilors and requested they were returned for onward submission to Cheshire East ASAP.

48/19 Cheshire East Code of Conduct for councilors

VM circulated a copy of the updated code of conduct issued by Cheshire East to all councilors and it was agreed to adopt this latest version and upload on to the website.

Resolved – The code of conduct was accepted by full council

49/19 Chairman and members report

Goostrey Parish Council asked if they could use the back of the Twemlow signpost to erect their Goostrey signs. This has been done but a poor job has been made of it. **Action** – CB to ask that the sign is rehung.

50/19 Clerks report

Nothing to report

PART 2

Resolved: That in accordance with the public bodies (Admission to meetings) Act 1960 as extended by the Local Government Act 1972 section 100 the press and public be excluded from the meeting for discussion of the under mentioned item on the grounds that the publication of the matter would be prejudicial to the public interest by reason of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted

51/19 Clerks Salary

Resolved – To increase in the clerk's salary with a new pay spine level of 12.

52/19 It was to be noted the next meeting was to be held at the Yellow Broom Restaurant on 2nd July 2019 March at 7.30pm. The meeting closed at 8.40pm.