

# HATHERTON AND WALGHERTON PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 27th JANUARY 2020

### **Present:**

Cllrs Steve Boyes, Neil Clowes, Nigel Dibben, Chris Knibbs (Chair), Rob Tindall, Barry Dakin.

### **In attendance**

Ward Cllr Janet Clowes, Carol Bell (Clerk)

### **19/54 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Apologies were received from Councillors Deborah Robb, Steve Mitchell and Ian Bennion

### **19/55 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Regarding items on the agenda, there were no declarations of interest.

### **19/56 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

Resolved - that the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 25<sup>th</sup> November be approved as a true and correct record and signed by the Chairman.

### **19/57 MATTERS ARISING**

**19/57.1** Clerk advised that letters had been sent to Cheshire East Council regarding the removal of the Hatherton sign from the end of Park Lane and the 7.5 ton limit request on Park Lane and acknowledgment of receipt of letters had been received.

**19/57.2** Clerk advised that consultation is in progress with a representative from Scottish Power in relation to the street light on the Boar's Head crossroads being restored back to working order.

**19/57.3** The SID device on Audlem Road, Hatherton, has still not been repaired despite two letters to Cheshire East Council advising them of the damage. Ward Cllr Janet Clowes to follow this up.

**19/57.4** Resolved. Community Governance Review – no change to Parish Council name or boundaries. Councillor Knibbs to complete the consultation 1 survey on behalf of the Parish Council

### **19/58 PLANNING MATTERS**

The planning log was reviewed and decisions and dates noted.

#### **19/58.1 Recent applications awaiting decision**

**19/0046N and 19/0047N Land adj Boars Head** – Outline planning application for 2 no. dwellings with access considered. Applicant to submit requested information. Awaiting decision by GH.

**19/4523N Birchall Moss Cottage, Bridgemere Lane Hatherton** – Erection of steel framed tractor shed. Footpath officer has no concerns regarding the footpath running alongside where the shed is to be erected. Awaiting decision by GH.

**18/2153N Doddington Estate, Bridgemere,** . Appeal 112 dwellings. The appeal is to be dealt with by means of a public inquiry, date 11<sup>th</sup> Feb 2020. Clerk to e-mail parish constituents to remind them of the date and encourage attendance.

#### **19/58.2 Applications with decisions made since last Parish Council meeting**

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19/4642N Birchall Moss, Bridgemere Lane, Hatherton - Proposed Garage. Approved with conditions 29.11.2019

19/5058N Tollgate Cottage, Audlem Road Hatherton – New garden room. Approved with conditions 13.01.2020

## 19/59 FINANCE REPORT

**19/59.1** The finance report had been circulated with the agenda and comprises of income and expenditure since the last meeting and bank reconciliation. The bank balance at 18/12/2019 was £5,869.61 with an unpresented cheque of £35.00. The following cheques were authorised:

Hankelow Methodist Church (room bookings)	Cheque no.475	£10.00
Carol Bell Clerk's net salary Dec 2019 & Jan 2020	Cheque no. 476	£267.33
Carol Bell HMRC (PAYE) Dec 2019 & Jan 2020	Cheque no. 477	£66.80
Carol Bell ILCA Qualification	Cheque no. 478	£118.80

**19/59.2** The Clerk confirmed that the application to switch the parish bank account from RBS to The Co-op had been completed and is currently being processed.

### **19/59.3 Spending against Budget**

The current spend against budget was noted.

**Resolved** - that the matters comprising the financial report be approved.

## 19/60 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Ward Cllr Janet Clowes advised that the Wybunbury Combined Parishes Neighbourhood Plan had been approved for referendum on Thursday 27<sup>th</sup> February. Cllr Clowes advised that a banner had been erected in Wybunbury to advise of the referendum date and signs are ready and waiting to be erected around the Parish. Houses have also been leafleted.

## 19/61 PARISH IMPROVEMENTS

**19/61.1** Councillor Knibbs advised that he had planted 500 daffodil bulbs around the parish

**19/62.2** Councillors discussed a litter picking weekend and agreed on Sunday 9<sup>th</sup> February

**19/62.3** Councillors discussed the merits of siting a litter bin in the lay-by at the Boar's Head cross roads. Clerk to write to Paragon Group (landlord of Boar's Head) to ask if they will sponsor the purchase.

**19/62.4** Councillor Knibbs to arrange supply and siting of new parish notice board at Boar's head

**19/62.5** Discussions about the siting of a bench in the parish took place. One possible suggestion was in the lay-by at the end of Park Lane at the start of the Hatherton – Woolfall – Hunsterson Loop walk

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**19/62.6** It was noted that many of the road signs around the parish were very dirty and in need of a clean

**19/62.7** It was noted that the defaced Walgherton sign needed to be refreshed or possible replaced

**19/62.8** Discussions were held on the number of new housing signs that were appearing around the parish. Cllr Ward stated that any signs referring to activities outside of the parish are illegal. Clerk to report to Cheshire East Council.

### **19/63 HIGHWAYS**

**19/63.1** Cllr Dibben reported he has written to Cheshire East Council detailing twenty separate highways issues over the last six months of which two have been addressed

**19/63.2** The council noted that there were still a large number of potholes around the parish although some had been repaired over the last two months. Councillors encouraged to report any potholes they encountered on the Cheshire East Portal.

### **19/64 FACEBOOK GROUP**

Discussions were held by the councillors on the merits of starting a Facebook Group for the parish. The group would be a members only group and used to convey parish news and items such as urgent alerts from police and highways. It was agreed that a group may be useful and could be run on a trial basis. Clerk to set up group with assistance from Cllr War

### **19/65 REPORT FROM WARD COUNCILLOR**

Nothing to report

### **19/66 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

Mention was made by Councillor Knibbs of the parish council striving for excellence and having a qualified clerk is a step on the ladder towards this.

### **19/67 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday 30th March 2020 - to be held at Hankelow Chapel.

The meeting closed at 9.45 pm