

NEWBOLD ASTBURY CUM MORETON PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 8th August 2018 at Astbury Village Hall.

Part 1

Present Councillor J Carter (who chaired the meeting), Councillor R Sutton, Councillor S A Banks, Councillor P Stanway, Councillor N Plant, Councillor P Critchlow, Councillor J Critchlow, Councillor N Barton, Councillor R Lomas, Councillor P Cliff, Councillor L Wardlow *Cheshire East*, Councillor R Bailey *Cheshire East (arrived at 8.15pm)* and the Clerk.

Declaration of Interest

Cllr P Cliff – 18/3742C.

Public Forum

1 member of the public present.

The resident explained the background of the Weld House Farm site as it was three separate owners and he owned the area that had been fenced for potential use of caravans in the future.

101/18 Apologies Cllr A Banks – work commitments, Cllr C Kennerly – work commitments, Cllr N Sharman – airport collection.

102/18 Minutes

Resolved the minutes from 11th July 2018 were accepted and signed as a true and accurate record.

103/18 Planning Applications

- 18/3742C 1, Alcumlow Cottages, Brook Lane, Brownlow, Cw12 4TJ - Demolition of existing barn /store & construction of new build 1.5 storey dwelling.

Resolved No Objection with comments

Planning Appeal APP/R0660/C/16/3165487 and APP/R0660/C/16/3165509 – Land West of the holdings (known as the stables), Watery Lane, Newbold Astbury CW12 4RR.

It had been reported that the enforcement officer had visited the site and progress was being made to resolve the situation.

Weld House Farm, Peel Lane, Astbury CW12 3NQ – the enforcement officer had visited the site and reported the original plot on which Weld House farm sits has now been split into three distinct plots; the farm, the farm barns and a field adjacent to the barns. All plots are in separate ownership and the field in question is, in the process of gaining an exemption certificate under the caravan site and control of Development Act. When it meets the criteria, it will be registered with the local authority.

176076C Oak Leaf Ban, Oak Lane, Astbury CW12 4RT – rear single storey extension

It was noted this application had now been taken to appeal APP/R0660/D/18/3206637. The Parish Council had submitted No Objection and did not wish to send a written representation.

104/18 VTC Consultants

All Parish Councillors brought forward their concerns in relation to highways within the Parish.

Resolved the Clerk and the Chairman would write an action plan and meet with John Carruthers to discuss the plans for him to take forward.

105/18 Standing Orders

NALC had published new model standing orders which had been circulated to members, they incorporate or reference the requirements of new legislation that has been introduced. These had replaced the model standing orders from 2013. The Parish Council discussed relevant areas.

Resolved after agreed amendments were added the Standing Orders were adopted.

106/18 Highways

Kerb Stones on the Village Green Conservation Area

The Chairman had contacted the principal conservation and design officer from the environmental planning team to support the Parish Council to ensure the kerb stones were replaced with reclaimed stone and not concrete. The officer had contacted Mr J Tickle from CE highways and the correct stone would be used but it may take a while longer.

Dodds Lane and Brook Lane

Dodds Lane and Peel Lane were scheduled for patching works on 8th /9th August. Cllr R Bailey had intervened with highways to improve Brook Lane. Cllr P Cliff reiterated his concerns in relation to the side of the carriageway and the size of the pot holes.

Wallhill Lane

It seemed that Cheshire East were not available to meet in September. Cllr R Bailey had circulated information that the Congleton Link Road had been approved and a contractor had been approved to commence the structural build of the CLR. It seemed Cheshire East had to go back to Central Government to request further funding to action mitigation on Wallhill Lane.

Cllr R Sutton had been thanked by a local resident for arranging the hedges to be cut along Wallhill Lane by a local resident.

Street Light on Peel Lane

Scottish Power had attended site and thought it had been resolved but a local resident had reported it still was not working. The Clerk had reported again.

Cllr R Lomas wished the light on the Village Hall to be reported again. (post meeting inspection indicated all lights were operational)

Fly Tipping

The Clerk had reported, and it had been actioned by ANSA although it was noted how the fly tipping was increasing within the Parish. There had been a request to block over the laybys to reduce the fly tipping, but highways had refused.

A34 Footpaths

It was noted CE would not be slurry seal as CE highways had actioned the initial part near Fol Hollow and the surface had been so poor the budget had been exhausted.

Boundary sign damage

It seemed that the damage had not been the fault of the contractor.

Wharf Lane

Cllr S A Banks reported the road edge was subsiding at the side near the railway bridge (north east corner) and needed attention.

107/18 War Memorial

Cllr P Critchlow had contacted Mr Ash from Nettle Banks and he had viewed the war memorial in the church. There were 13 names missing from the memorial, but these would not all fit on the current monument. It was suggested that an extra plaque would be fitted at the bottom. This would require permission from the church and the plaque would be funded by both a grant and the Parish Council.

108/18 GDPR

Cllr P Critchlow had contacted Mrs J Cliff and all the names and addresses had been removed from her data base. The Clerk had issued a contract to Crewe Colour Printers Ltd (the current newsletter provider) to ensure the data protection was secure in relation to addresses.

109/18 Accounts

To note the balance of account – Royal Bank of Scotland = £8,495.47

Payments

- *Cheque no 652* - £392.44 Crewe Colour Printers Ltd
- *Cheque no 653* - £62.50 Cranage Parish Council (TCS Management)
- *Cheque no 654* - £24.00 Fat Arrow

Resolved the above payments be approved and signed for as above.

Receipts

- NIL

110/18 Cheshire East

Resolved to suspend the Standing Orders to accept a report from the Ward Councillor R Bailey and Ward Cllr L Wardlow.

There had been no cabinet meeting since July. The Highway Assets programme has started for each area of the community.

111/18 Chairman and Members Report

May Day

Cllr R Lomas reported that the event had revenues of approximately £10,000 which was excellent news for the Parish. The committee had decided to breakdown the monies between the school, the church, the community trusts and Astbury Mere. Some items needed replacing for next year for example the mayday pole.

Town and Parish Council Conference

Cllr J Carter would attend on 26th September at 6.00pm.

Defibrillator Checks

Cllr P Critchlow reported these were up to date.

Footpath Check from Congleton Ramblers

Cllr R Sutton enquired after speaking with some local landowners, if the farmer received a single farm payment he was only allowed to cut back the hedges every two years unless it was alongside a road carriageway. He enquired if this applied to alongside a PROW. The Clerk would enquire from Cheshire East.

Common Land

The letter of response had been received from the landowner to confirm the map was correct.

Resolved the Clerk and the Chairman would engage in the next stage as directed by Cheshire East.

112/18 Clerks Report

Homelessness in the Rural Community

There had been a report sent to the Parish Council to ask some questions in relation to their knowledge of the homelessness in the community. The members responded.

113/18 the next meeting would be the on 12th September 2018 at 7.30pm in Astbury Village Hall.

Meeting closed at 9.20 pm

