Newbold Astbury cum Moreton Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting - Wednesday 8th September 2021 at 7.30pm

Present

Councillor I Parry

Councillor B Jelf

Councillor A Banks

Councillor N Barton

Councillor R Sutton

Councillor N Plant (Vice)

Councillor N Sharman

Mrs Victoria Marchant – Locum Clerk

Declarations of Interest

Councillor B Jelf (Walhill Lane)

Councillor R Sutton (Walhill Lane)

Part 1

Public and Press Forum

No members of the press or public were present.

Apologies:

- P Cliff (recovering from illness)
- J Critchlow (Illness)
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- J Ward
- R Lomas (travelling)

104/21 Minutes

The Council **Resolved** that the minutes of the meeting held on 11th August 2021 are a true and accurate record.

105/21 Common Land/Sandy Lane

Stockdale Fencing Ltd - schedule of charges received

Landale Fencing Contractors Ltd – quote received

J Kennerley – awaiting quote

Agreed to carry over to the next meeting to obtain the final quote for consideration.

106/21 Planning applications

An appeal has been lodged in respect of a previous application for a dormer window at the Lavender Farm. **Resolved** - The council has no reason to object.

107/21 Policies to review – Disciplinary and Grievance Policies

The Council agreed (in principle) to follow the latest model policies provided by CHALC.

Action – CE to obtain copies and circulate to all Cllrs. prior to the next meeting.

108/21 Accounts

The Council noted the balance of accounts and **resolved** to approve the following payments:

- £50 Garden Centre Vouchers payable to P Critchlow
- £18 Poppies for Remembrance Day at war memorial

109/21 Community Governance Review

Cllr. Jelf summarised the presentation attended. The CGR consultation runs from 6th September 2021 for 12 weeks and will look at reducing Astbury Cllr. no's from 13 to 8. A strong and persuasive response needs to be submitted. All Cllrs. to attend the next meeting with proposals for the response.

Action – CE to circulate the consultation link to all Cllrs and to upload onto website.

110/21 Neighbourhood Plan

Cllr Sharman reported on a successful initial meeting. Andrew Thompson has been approached and would be happy to work with the council. Matters discussed included an open day, housing policy and eco friendly building practices. **Action** – NS to prepare an application for funding to update the plan.

111/21 Community Asset transfer

A review of community assets to include the primary school, access to Peel Drive and land at the rear of Peel Drive was undertaken. **Resolved** – No transfer is necessary.

111/21 Highways - Ongoing issues as follows;

Wallhill Lane – It is understood Sibelco have carried out traffic monitoring. **Action** – CE to obtain results from Sibelco

Footpaths along the A34 – CE have advised this is on their agenda when funds allow

Damage to southern boundary sign – **Action** CE to chase up

Dates for daffodil bulb planting – **Resolved** to plant bulbs on Saturday 16th October along the triangle, Walhill Lane and Brownlow Heath Lane. **Resolved** – to agree to a budget of £150 for daffodil bulbs. **Action** – CE to approach Sibelco to dig holes for planting

Congleton Link Road roundabout adoption. **Action** - CE to clarify the position

Highways Report from Cheshire East - not available

112/21 War Memorial

A scale plan of the plaques for each panel of the war memorial would be made by John Carter to see how many names they could accommodate.

113/21 Missing Footpaths

Cllr Jelf continues with enquiries to obtain a historical map. **Resolved** – to agree the costs of a map at £8.45

114/21 Newsletter

Items for inclusion in the next Newsletter to include;

- The Community Governance Review an explanation for residents and a request for questions to be directed to the Clerk who will consolidate responses and respond.
- The dates for bulb planting with a request for volunteers

115/21 Councillor Vacancy

Applications due by 19th September. Carry over to next meeting.

116/21 Clerk SLCC membership

Clerk absent. Carry over to next meeting

117/21 Cheshire East – no report available

118/21 Chairman and Members' Report

Matters raised as follows:

- There is a bus consultation underway. Cllr Jelf reported that there is poor rural accessibility. **Action** BJ to respond to consultation
- A bollard at the bottom of the village has been knocked over. **Action** IP to inspect to see if it needs moving, can be repaired or needs replacing.
- Photographs were displayed showing vehicles pulled up at Astbury Garage blocking
 the view from the adjoining lane. Action CE to write to the garage asking them to
 politely remind customers to park considerately.
- The signs have now been installed on Sandy Lane.
- Fly tipping is on the increase.
- Cllr Jelf will attend the CHALC AGM. CJ would also like to attend two training session namely Roles & responsibilities & Code of Conduct.

Resolved to fund the costs of the 2 courses and AGM attendance.

119/21 Clerk's Report – no report available

Part 2

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Meeting closed at 9pm.