# Draft Minutes of No Man's Heath & District Parish Council Meeting held at Bickley Coronation Hall at 7.00 pm on Thursday 14<sup>th</sup> November 2019

#### **PRESENT**

Chairman: Cllr Trevor Parker

Cllr Peter Guildford Cllr Tony Day Cllr Tim Harrop

Cllr Jan Birch Cllr Michael Voisey Cllr David Lithgow Smith

Cllr Carolyn Day Cllr Sarah Langton

Clerk - Mrs Ruth Shackleton

Members of the Public and Parish – 4.

### 1. APOLOGIES

Cllr Keith Done, Cllr Paul Roberts.

#### 2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

None were declared.

#### 3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

The following issues were raised:-

- Bonfire Night:- a request was made that organisations and members of the public putting on firework displays hold them on the 5<sup>th</sup> November in the interest of well-being and safety of livestock and pets.
- Flooding at Hampton:- resident provided an explanation and an update regarding the problem with flooding on the A41 before the Hampton roundabout coming from Broxton.
- 'Happy to Chat' Bench:- a request was made that a bench be installed in No Man's Heath in order to encourage people to talk and thereby hopefully help to reduce loneliness. This scheme has been set up in Tilston.

#### 4. MINUTES

**RESOLVED:-** that the Chairman sign the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held Thursday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2019 and they are accepted as a true and proper record. Proposed by Cllr Lithgow Smith and seconded by Cllr T Day.

# 5. COUNCIL VACANCY

5.1 <u>To consider adoption of the Co-option of Parish Councillors Policy:</u>
There was no consideration of this item.

# 5.2 Council Vacancies:-

There is one vacancy on the Council.

**RESOLVED:-** that the Council co-opt Sarah Langton onto the Council. Proposed by Cllr Lithgow Smith and seconded by Cllr Guildford.

#### 6. POLICE

PCSO Jon Hurst sent his apologies. The Police report was circulated to Cllrs.

# 7. ACCOUNTS AND PAYMENTS

### 7.1 Payments:-

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Chq No	Payee	Amount	
839	Running Costs	£ 47.31	
840	CW&C Election Costs	£ 197.00	
841	DONATION:- Royal British Legion	£ 100.00	
842	DONATION:- Chester Scout Jamboree	£ 250.00	

843	HMRC (Oct - Dec)	£ 175.00
844	Broxton Parish Council (training)	£ 40.00

The Clerk was paid by standing order.

## 7.2 Receipts:-

None received

# 7.3 Budget:-

The Council received the budget to date figures as at 31<sup>st</sup> October 2019 and the forecast figures to 31<sup>st</sup> March 2020.

#### 7.4 Bank Account:-

Reconciled balance of the Current Bank Account as at 30 October 2019:- £ 4.542.46

Balance of the Deposit Bank Account as at 30 October 2019:- £ 10,644.16 **RESOLVED:-** that the Council accept the above payments and accounts circulated. Proposed by Cllr Harrop and seconded by Cllr Guildford.

#### 8. PLANNING

Planning Register:-

The Council noted the planning register and the observations as circulated.

#### 9. **BUS SHELTER**

CW&C have written to advise that they will be carrying out site suitability and stop usage surveys at the bus stop in No Mans Heath in order to determine whether or not the stop meets the required criteria for a shelter to be installed.

## 10. SUMMER PLAY SCHEME

The Council agreed in principle to hold a summer sports camp in 2020. The Clerk is to look into costings and suggested dates.

#### 11. **HIGHWAYS**

Speed control at the junction of the A41 with Bickley Lane:- Both local MP Antoinette Sandbach and neighbouring MP Owen Patterson have replied to letters that were sent to request support for a A41 Road Safety campaign.

The Council agreed to contact CW&C to request data for speeding on the A41 and for the results of the enquiry that took place after the recent fatality at the Bickley Lane junction with the A41.

## 12. TILSTON ROAD SPEED LIMIT

The Council discussed requesting for a speed limit reduction on Tilston Road. The road is in a poor state due to pot holes and the traffic usage has increased due to the recent increase in housing in the local area. The Clerk has contacted CW&C who have advised that as Tilston Road isn't entirely in the NMHD parish boundary and there is a commitment to part fund any changes; therefore, any request for assessment cannot proceed without the approval of both Malpas and Tilston Parish Councils.

The Clerk is to contact both Malpas and Tilston Parish Councils to request their support for a reduction in review of the speed limit and road signage on Tilston Road and to seek a commitment, in principle, to cover their parish share of any costs associated with applying changes approved by all. Contact to be made with CW&C regarding road repairs.

## 13. COMMMUNITY SPEED WATCH

No update.

## 14. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Cllr Parker updated the meeting:-

• CW&C are supportive of us to carrying out a Housing Needs Survey in line with a standard template provided.

Concerns were raised regarding the decline of established trees in the area.

# 15. FACEBOOK

# 15.1 To agree to set up new Social Media page:-

The Council discussed different ways of publicising parish council events and information and agreed in principle for there to be social media link for the Parish Council. The suggested name for the page was 'No Mans Heath and District'. The council is yet to determine the particular platform to be used. The Clerk is to look into a social media policy.

# 15.2 To agree administrators:-

Cllr C Day and Cllr T Day offered to run the social media page with the Clerk posting relevant Council information as and when received.

#### 16. VILLAGE MAINTENANCE

# 16.1 Volunteers:-

The Council acknowledged the efforts of residents who voluntarily litter pick around No Man's Heath and District.

# 16.2 Litter & Dog Waste bins:-

Concerns were raised as the litter and dog waste bins are often full to overflowing, this has been reported to CW&C.

# 17. CLERK'S REPORT

Nothing further to report.

## 18. CORRESPONDENCE

A list of correspondence received has been previously circulated.

## 19. DATES FOR 2020 MEETINGS

Meetings have been booked:-

9<sup>th</sup> January 2020 12<sup>th</sup> March 2020 Bishop Heber High School
14<sup>th</sup> May 2020 Bishop Heber High School
Bishop Heber High School
Bishop Heber High School
Bickley Coronation Hall
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Bishop Heber High School

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Next Scheduled Parish Council Meeting
Thursday 9<sup>th</sup> January 2020 at Bishop Heber High School