

CHETWYND ASTON AND WOODCOTE PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the meeting of Chetwynd Aston & Woodcote Parish Council held on **22nd July 2021 at 7:30 at the Church Aston and Chetwynd Aston Village Hall (CACAVH)**

Present: Cllrs Bill Harper, Luke Hardy, Ash Jakhu, Ann Kinnish, Bridget Page

1. **Welcome and apologies** – Council noted the apologies received of Cllrs Andrew Eade, Amanda Mattison & David Griffin and Parish Clerk Ian Cruise-Taylor
2. **Declaration of personal/pecuniary interests** – None
3. **Public Session – maximum time 15 minutes** – Mr Askin asked for amendments to be made to the minutes from the 19th May Annual Parish Meeting as follows:
 - a. **Last para section 3** – member of public objected to school sign being placed outside his property as they did not want it to draw attention to a private and hidden venture which would potentially open it up to vandalism, theft and trespass. They did not object to speed reductions measures as a whole along Pave Lane.
 - b. **Last para section 3** – to be amended to show the school sign was Cllr Harper's suggestion and not Cllr Eade as implied by the paragraph.

These amendments were agreed by Cllr's.

4. **Minutes of meeting 2nd June 2021** – approved
5. **Planning Applications**
 - a. **TWC/2021/0685** - Cllr's agreed to support this application.
 - b. **TWC/2021/1023 & 1022** - Cllr's agreed to support this application as long as it was in keeping with existing property. This was an amendment to an application which had previously been supported.
 - c. **TWC/2021/0658**- Cllr's agreed to support this application.
6. **Update on planters/SIDS** –
 - a. **SIDS** – Clerk waiting for price to convert SIDS to solar as currently supplied with battery power only. Cllr's agreed that the SIDS should be professionally installed and maintained. **Clerk to obtain quotes.** Cllr's agreed that accurate prices should be awaited before decision on converting to solar power is made. Should also consider getting professional advice about converting to solar. Cllr's we're unsure where the 2nd post for the SIDS is located. **Clerk to contact Telford & Wrekin Council to get confirmation of 2 previously agreed sites.**
 - b. **Planters** - now in place and received general good comments. Thanks to Cllr Page for her work on this project. NRS offered to arrange for photo opportunity if Parish Council didn't have anyone

available. Cllr's agreed for NRS to make arrangements. **Cllr Page to confirm with NRS.** Maintenance around planters was discussed and Cllr's agreed that Oliver Needes should be asked to quote to maintain the area. **Cllr Page to contact Oliver Needes for quotes.** Cllr's agreed that the area to be maintained around the planter at bottom of Littlehales Road should also take in the bench and notice board area. Cllr Griffin had offered to sort restoration of bench and Cllr's supported this however it was agreed that Cllr Griffin had no obligation to do so. The location of the gritting bin in relation to the planter was discussed with a view to moving it slightly, but not too far from bottom of Littlehales Road. **Clerk to discuss possibility of this with Telford and Wrekin council.**

7. **Financial information-** Cllr's agreed the payments as detailed however they noted some discrepancies in the totals as follows:
 - a. **Total to date** – Expenses £6,079.48 not £6,115.48
 - b. **Staff cost total** - £366.74 not £550.51
 - c. **Vat** – no amendment
 - d. **Total** - £7,589.82 not £7,809.58
 - e. **Bank reconciliation** – payments to date to be amended to £7,589.81. Balance would therefore be £12,792.71

8. **Report from meetings attended –**
 - a. **Church Aston & Chetwynd Aston Village Hall** – Cllr Page reported on events that will be taking place later this year. Any offers of help or raffle donations please contact Malcom Bennett.
 - i. **Escape to the chateau 9 Oct 21**
 - ii. **100 year Celebration 10 Oct 21**
 - iii. **Craft / food fayre 16 Oct 21**
 - iv. **Halloween party 30 Oct 21**
 - v. **Barn Dance 13 Nov 21**
 - vi. **Carols through the ages 11 Dec 21**

 - b. **Wrekin Area Committee-** Cllr Page highlighted a discussion around fireworks in residential areas. SALC a had asked both unitary authorities to put forward a request for a ban on Chinese Lanterns. There was also some discussion around the boundary review.

 - c. **Code of Conduct Training** – Cllr Kinnish reported back on the training recently completed and advised other Cllr's that it would be worthwhile all attending. **Clerk to recirculate invitation to next course.**

 - d. **Planning training** – Cllr Kinnish gave a brief overview of training recently attended and highlighted the main learning points. It was agreed that we should highlight on our website that we are keen to engage with developers at an early stage and that they should contact the clerk.

- e. **Newport Town Council Meeting** - Cllr Harper reported that a discussion had taken place regarding the 40 mph speed limit near the Bloor development site. It was felt that an extension to the 30mph limit was required. Is being raised with highways and planning.

9. **Parish Matters**

- a. **Break ins to sheds** – a number of break ins had occurred in the Parish and neighbouring parishes in recent months. All to be vigilant and report to police. Smartwater kits are still available for those that didn't get a kit last time. **Facebook should be used to promote these kits.** Safer Neighbourhood Team to be invited to a future meeting. **Clerk to send invite.**
- b. **Turning out of Screwfix by Aldi-** concerns around safety of vehicles exiting Screwfix/Howdens car park due to speed of vehicles entering industrial estate from new roundabout and proximity of exit to roundabout. Discussed possibility of moving car park entrance/exit or other speed restriction measures e.g. Speed bumps. **Clerk to contact highways to raise our concerns and ask them to look at issue.**
- c. **Ward Boundaries** – clerk to submit a statement to support Mark Pritchard request to retain The Wrekin as constituency name rather than change to Wellington and Newport. **It was also agreed that clerk should submit the letter that we agreed at previous meeting in relation to the Boundary Review.**
- d. **Recruit Parish Clerk** - it was agreed that once closing date for advert had passed then consideration should be given to the applications and interviews arranged.
- e. **Speeding on Pave Lane and Station Road** – this was discussed in closed session.
- f. **Approval of grant to CACAVH** - Cllr's agreed to a £300 contribution if that was agreed and documented at the last meeting. If not then they agreed to match Church Aston's donation of £200.

10. **Date of next meeting-** 8th September 2021 at Church Aston and Chetwynd Aston Village Hall.