

# **OLLERTON WITH MARTHALL PARISH COUNCIL**

*The minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held in the Village Hall on Monday 19<sup>th</sup> November 2007 at 7.30 pm.*

## **Minutes**

*Meeting started at 7.50*

*Present were Cllr's Street (Chairman,) Holmes (Vice Chair), Littler, Weston, Davison, Barnes, Berrisford, Hawkins & Mason. B.C. E. Fisher & C.C. S. Wilkinson also attended.*

*07/80 - apologies received from Cllr J Roberts.*

*07/81 - it was resolved not to mark Cllr J Roberts as absent.*

*07/82 - disclosure of interest - none received.*

*07/83 - the minutes of the meeting held on the 17<sup>th</sup> September 2007 were approved and signed.*

*07/84 - Matters arising*

- (i) Plaques for Victoria & Elizabeth II were installed by Cllr's Street & Littler on 13<sup>th</sup> October 2007.*
- (ii) Bus Shelter repairs - the contractor engaged to repair the bus shelter is very busy and cannot undertake the repairs immediately. He will contact either The Clerk or Cllr Littler 2 weeks prior to him starting work.*
- (iii) Road Surface Repairs - nothing has changed. The Clerk will email C.C. S. Wilkinson who will contact Highways on the P.C's behalf.*
- (iv) Replacement Cheshire Fencing in Sandhole Lane - frontage of Tony Walley's land, two sections, total cost £7840.00 + VAT. These sections are eligible for grants from C.C. Highway & E.S.U at Macclesfield. Cllr Littler will continue negotiations and advise the P.C. as to the value of the grants available at the next meeting. The section nearest the main road will cost £3040.00 + VAT to replace and is not eligible for a grant. This item is deferred.*
- (v) Code of Conduct - clause 12.2 - after discussion it was resolved not to adopt clause 12.2 specifically.*
- (vi) No Smoking sign for the bus shelter - Cllr Street will pursue a permanent solution to the problem - a temporary sign has been placed in the bus shelter.*
- (vii) Drainage School Lane at The Cottage - Cllr Littler will supply a script.*
- (viii) Cattle warning Signs - Brook House Farm - Chelford Rd - Mr Leech. Highways will send an inspector to assess the problem.*
- (ix) Hall Lane road sign has been replaced.*
- (x) Boundary sign at Seven Sister Lane ( on Toft boundary) - the Clerk will contact John McGowan and ask that it is added to the list of replacement signs. Cost £175.00.*

*07/85 - Reports.*

- (i) **Playing Field at Marthall Lane** - Cllr Barnes reported that there are pot holes in the roadway on the playing field site. Mr Roy Lands M.B.C. will supply road planeings which the residents can use to fill in the pot holes. Cllr Barnes will pursue this aim and report back to the next meeting. M.B.C. have agreed to supply a rubbish bin & a bench but*

advise the safety matting is Health & Safety approved and should be retained.

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- (ii) Cheshire County Council debate **"Play Your Part"** at Macclesfield High School, 16<sup>th</sup> October 2007 attended by Cllr's Street & Mason. A report was given by Cllr A Street.
- (iii) **Cheshire County Council "Cluster" Meeting** held at Over Peover Village Hall, 17<sup>th</sup> October 2007. Cllr's Street & Littler attended.
- (iv) **Cheshire Constabulary** - Cllr Littler reported that it would cost £11000.00 pa to fund a "Police Community Support Officer" (PCSO) or £3300.00 pa if three Parish Council's shared a PCSO. As PC Gareth Frith, a member of the Police Community Action Team has recently been given responsibility for Ollerton and Marthall and will address the P.C. next year, it was agreed to defer the discussion on the need for a PCSO.
- (v) **"Rural Watch"** group. Cllr Littler agreed to act as a conduit for information emanating from this group and to ensure that it appeared in the Parish Post.
- (vi) **Fire Service** - Cllr Street reported that the Fire Service aim to visit every home in the Parish, to give out free smoke detectors. Homes with young families and also the elderly will be given priority.
- (vii) Publicity for "active fire hydrant locations" - a copy of the Fire Authorities data base will be requested by the Clerk.
- (viii) Road Safety Monitor Sessions to reduce speeding with prosecution/education options not applicable to Ollerton with Marthall as there are no specific speed restrictions in place within the Parish. Law and Order action team are following up.
- (ix) MBC are to engage additional traffic wardens to patrol The Borough.
- (x) CHALC Annual Meeting - held on 18<sup>th</sup> Oct at Middlewich Civic Hall - Cllr Street & Holmes attended. A report was given by Cllr Holmes - subs are to be increased 2007/8 by approx £13.50 pa.
- (xi) CHALC Macclesfield/ Trafford Area Meeting 25<sup>th</sup> Oct at Mobberley Parish Hall - Cllrs Street and Holmes attended - a report was given by Cllr Holmes.
- (xii) Notice of adoption of Cheshire Waste Local Plan - deferred .
- (xiii) CCC Performance Report 2006/7 - a report was given by Cllr Street - a copy will be circulated.
- (xiv) MBC Revised Core Strategy - a report was given by Cllr Street - a copy will be circulate

#### 07/86 - Sub - Committees

**Planning** - a report was given by Cllr Weston - and copies of the planning ewwerebuted to the members.

- (i) Mr Brian & Mr Steven Coutts came to the meeting with the aim of voicing their grievances Re: the failed planning application for a Golf Driving Range at the family farm in Ollerton. In order to follow the recognised procedure they were requested to put their complaints in writing to the Clerk so that the Parish Council can investigate their complaints properly. Cllr's Hawkins and Roberts have been tasked to deal with the complaint and to report their findings at the next meeting.

#### **Parish Plan**

It was agreed to endorse the Parish Plan. The Chairman congratulated all involved in producing such an excellent document. A

letter of congratulation has also been received from our local MP Mr George Osborne. Minute no.07/74.

**MOW Vision project team ( New Village Hall)**

The MOW Vision Project Team have applied for grant approval and this application is going forward. A planning application to M.B.C. will be completed in two weeks.

**Village Design Statement** - An outcome of the Parish Plan this is required to manage development of buildings and landscape within the Parish - an action team of seven volunteers has been formed, led by Cllr Holmes. Three other councillors, Cllr's Street, Little and Davison are also on the team. A draft timetable will be produced by end of January 2008

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**07/87 - Finance**

- (i) Bank Balances as attached.
- (ii) Cheques totalling £457.44 were approved by the members and duly signed.
- (ii) Inland Revenue - Penalty Notices totalling £400.00. Both appeals have been upheld. The Clerk was congratulated by the chairman on her success with the appeals
- (iii) Precept Requirement - budget for 2008/9- deadline 11/1/08 - the Clerk will prepare the budget and present to the next meeting for approval.
- (iv) Hacker Young - clean report.

**07/88 - Correspondence**

- (i) Macclesfield B.C. Annual Parish Conference 29<sup>th</sup> November 2007 - circulated - Cllr's Street, Holmes & Berrisford to attend.
- (ii) October monthly Update - ChALC - circulated.
- (iii) People & places 3&4 - circulated.
- (iv) Clerks and Councils Direct - circulated
- (v) Strategic Environmental Assessment (SEA) of Cheshire's joint Municipal Waste Management Strategy - will be reviewed by Cllr Littler.
- (vi) Policy on Criminal Record Checks - not required.

**07/89 - Any other business.**

- (i) Cheshire C.C. Consultation on Minerals - Cllr Littler to respond with a letter to Cheshire CC supporting Chelford P C in their bid stop the proposed sand extraction from Astle Park and, by more use of the railway systems, to limit the use of heavy goods vehicles transporting the sand. Copy to the Knutsford Guardian and Chelford CC. Cllr Littler will supply a script. **[ Sue, I thought George was writing to CCC rather than Chelford PC but I could be wrong.**
- (ii) Parish plan Action Team 'Law & Order' - Cllr R Barnes is to join the group.
- (iii) It was resolved to adopt the code of practice, sections 1 to 16, to deal with complaints against the Parish Council or specifically its officers. Also to include a simple procedure to deal with planning complaints. The Clerk will circulate these additional standing orders in due course.

07/90 - Dates for Parish Council meetings 2008/9 are as follows - Jan 7<sup>th</sup>, March 17<sup>th</sup>, May 19<sup>th</sup>, July 21<sup>st</sup>, Sept 15<sup>th</sup>, Nov 17<sup>th</sup> & Jan 19<sup>th</sup> 2009.

Meeting closed at 9.55pm

<i>Cheques approved</i>		
<i>A Street - expenses</i>	634	£41.88
<i>Royal Mail (PO Box)</i>	635	£115.70 (50% to be recovered from CPC)
<i>Hacker Young Audit fee</i>	636	£141.00
<i>R Weston - expenses</i>	637	£108.91
<i>J Holmes - expenses</i>	638	<u>£49.95</u>
<i>Total</i>		£457.44