

**MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD IN
THE COUNCIL CHAMBER ON MONDAY 28th FEBRUARY 2011**

PRESENT:- Mesdames: Kirsopp, Robinson, Wilson, Gray, Ashdown & Hughes.
Messrs: Mr K Reading, Mr M Schott & Mr S Harazny

APOLOGIES:- Mr J Wills Mr S. Harazny & Ms V Vickers

In Attendance: Cllr M Byram CW&C, Mrs L Gibbon, PC Parker & PCSO Wiggins

MIN FC 145/2/11 - DECLARATION OF INTERESTS:

Mrs Hughes, being a Trustee of Barnton Memorial Hall, declared an interest in item 20 (MIN 163/2/11).

MIN FC 146/2/11 - QUESTION TIME / OPEN SESSION:

Mrs L Gibbon was welcomed to the meeting. She referred to the completion of the Parish Plan and requested that:

- a). the associated work continue under the auspices of a new group to be named the "Barnton Community Group"
- b). that the Council approve one of the Village Signs (copies of which had been previously circulated) and the siting of the History Boards:

AGREED that :

i). the group continue under the name of "Barnton Community Group" and that membership be widened to include representatives of the Police, the Parish Council, Weaver Vale Housing Trust and Community Safety Wardens.

ii). the Village sign with the Green surround be approved, and that the winning design be incorporated, as demonstrated on the examples, circulated.

iii). that the History Boards be sited at the top of Barnton Hill on a site near to the tow path.

iv). that Mrs Gibbon be given the dates of future meetings of the Parish Council

v). that Mrs Gibbon and the Group be warmly thanked for their achievements.

AGREED that:

vi). that CW&C Council be approached for the monies due from the site development of the British Legion building

Proposed Mrs C Wilson

Seconded: Mrs H Kirsopp

Unanimous



MIN FC 147/2/11 - MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF 10TH JANUARY 2011:

APPROVED:

Subject to the Amendment of MIN FC 136/1/11 by deleting the lines beginning: "Some of the expenditure....." down to the line ending "....well below average."

And:

In the paragraph beginning : "The issue with regard...." that the following be deleted: "and Members wanted to continue to apply for a loan to purchase suitable property when the occasion arose."

Proposed Mrs H Kirsopp Seconded: Mrs C Wilson Unanimous

Following discussion, it was also AGREED that the Minutes of Council Meetings should not be made public until they had been approved by the next Full Council meeting.

Proposed:: Mrs H Kirsopp Seconded: Mr M Schott Unanimous

MIN FC 148/2/11 - MINUTES OF THE FINANCE & GENERAL PURPOSES COMMITTEE OF THE 31ST JANUARY 2011:

NOTED

MIN FC 149/2/11 - MINUTES OF THE PARKS & RECREATION GROUNDS COMMITTEE OF

24TH JANUARY 2011:

NOTED

MIN FC 150/2/11 – CLERK & RESPONSIBLE FINANCIAL OFFICER:

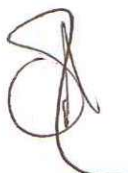
AGREED that:

- a). Mr P Evoy to be appointed as Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer_
- b). copies of the Contract of Employment and Job Description be forwarded to all Councillors
- c). the Clerk arrange for appropriate induction of Mr Evoy, and that the Chairman arrange monthly review meetings with him, during the probationary period

Proposed: Mrs H Kirsopp Seconded: Mrs C Ashdown Unanimous

d).the Clerk arrange for the necessary change of signatories and change of address forms in relation to Bank Accounts.

Proposed: Mr K Reading Seconded: Mrs C Ashdown Unanimous



MIN FC 151/2/11 – DESIGNATED PUBLIC PLACE ORDER:

The Clerk had circulated a letter from the Chief Executive CW&C Council describing the process for the establishment of Designated Public Place Orders. It was apparent that there was little likelihood of an Order for the Village, in the foreseeable future.

AGREED that:

The New Clerk write on a regular basis to the Chief Executive, reminding him of his commitment to review the need for Designated Public Place Orders in the Northwich area, and that he submit progress reports to the Council, as appropriate.

Proposed: Mrs H Kirsopp Seconded: Mr K Reading Unanimous

MIN FC 152/2/11 – COMMITTEE ADMINISTRATION:

AGREED: that Chairmen of Parish Council Committees, be given delegated powers to approve decisions passed by their Committees, and to authorise expenditure, as appropriate, within the Budgets already approved by the Full Council.

Proposed: Mrs H Kirsopp Seconded: Mrs C Ashdown Unanimous

MIN FC 153/2/11 – MINUTES OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETINGS:

AGREED: that Minutes be not published until they have been APPROVED by a meeting of Full Council, or relevant Committee, whichever is the sooner.

Proposed: Mrs H Kirsopp Seconded: Mr M Schott Unanimous

MIN FC 154/2/11 – SAVE OUR NORTHWICH INFIRMARY CAMPAIGN (SONIC):

The letter received from the Chief Executive of Northwich Town Council was received. Additionally, it was noted that proposed meetings of Sonic appeared not to take account of the fact that most people would be unable to attend meetings, on account of work commitments.

Mrs J Hughes offered to be nominated, subject to availability.

MIN FC 155/2/11 – VOLUNTARY ACTION VALE ROYAL – SUMMER PLAY SCHEME:

The Clerk reported that the Parish Council had not allocated any money in the Budget for the Play Scheme and that there was a Children's Centre in the Village.

AGREED: that no support be given to the Vale Royal Summer Play Scheme.

Proposed: Mrs H Kirsopp Seconded: Mrs C Wilson 8 For 0 Against 1 Abstention

MIN FC 156/2/11 – TUNNEL TOP – PARISH MAGAZINE:

The Clerk reported that the Software used for the publication of the magazine required replacing in the near future. DEFER



MIN FC 157/2/11 – A COMMUNITY BUILDING FOR BARNTON:

The Chairman referred to the Barnton Community Project Group which was planning to establish sports and community facilities in the area adjoining the school grounds. There was an identified need in the Village and Members were asked for their support.

AGREED:

Proposed: Mrs H Kirsopp

Seconded: Mrs C Wilson

Unanimous

MIN FC 158/2/11 – POLICE COMMUNITY SUPPORT OFFICER:

PCSO Wiggins presented her report where it was noted that there had been a quiet period since the last meeting. Unmarked vehicles had toured the area and some youngsters had been taken to the Police Station and warned.

Salterford Lock area had also been quiet but there had been instances of dog fouling and thefts of lead from the school. A Police Surgery would be held on the third Saturday of each month at the Library – dates to be confirmed

The visitors were thanked for their advice and their attendance.

MIN FC 159/2/11 – CHESHIRE WEST & CHESTER COUNCIL:

Cllr Byram, presented his report which concerned the progress of Roadworks in the area. Concern was expressed about the state of the verges and the drainage problems on Runcorn Road between Essendene Nursing Home and Oakwood Lane. Problems were also being experienced in Delamere Close. The lack of response from the Highways department of the Council was also noted.

MIN FC 160/2/11 – CHANGES TO MEMBERSHIP OF COMMITTEES:

The Clerk had circulated, previously, a revised Committee Membership list. NOTED.

Chairman  18th April 2011