

**CHURCH MINSHULL PARISH COUNCIL  
MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON TUESDAY 03 SEPTEMBER 2024**

**PRESENT:**

Cllr Nigel Lewis (in the Chair), Cllr Tim Boote, Cllr Brian Charlesworth and Cllr Jill Dobson.

**IN ATTENDANCE:**

Borough Cllr Becky Posnett.

**24/033 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Cllrs Kynaston, Schiller and Smith.

**24/034 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

**24/035 MINUTES OF THE MEETING HELD ON 02 JULY 2024**

RESOLVED – that the minutes of the meeting be approved as a true and correct record.

**24/036 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Borough Cllr Posnett referred to a number of highways issues which included the replacement of the reflector in the chicane at the south end of the village. It was noted that the works to Over Riad had been delayed to October.

With regards matters at Cheshire East Council, it was noted that a number of the Directors had resigned recently. The Council would need to make another £100M in savings over the next four years.

As for the recent government announcement about the withdrawal of the winter fuel payment for the elderly, Borough Cllr Posnett offered to support any elderly residents in applying for Pensions Credit. It was noted that 1,338 residents would no longer be eligible for the winter fuel allowance in the Bunbury ward.

**24/037 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

None present.

**24/038 FLOODING AND RIVER POLLUTION**

Borough Cllr Posnett advised that she had been in contact with representatives of the Save The Weaver Facebook Group and had requested updates as and when available.

**24/039 HIGHWAYS ISSUES**

Highways issues had been discussed as part of Minute 24/036.

**24/040 VILLAGE HALL REDEVELOPMENT**

Cllr Boote advised that there would be a further meeting of the redevelopment group in September. Obtaining grants large enough to achieve the redevelopment was becoming more challenging and alternative options were being considered.

**24/041 PLANNING**

<b>Application</b>	<b>Proposal</b>
24/1643N	Listed building consent for Various first floor room alterations/reconfigurations as well as 2no open canopy porches and works to existing dining room area(s) and an additional conservation roof light to the rear elevation main roof at 20 Village Farm, Church Minshull. <b>Decision: No comments</b>

**24/042 VILLAGE IMPROVEMENTS**

The Clerk was asked to obtain three quotes relating to the provision of a Speed Indicator Device.

With regards the blocking of the footpath in the woods, this had been referred to the Public Rights of Way Team at Cheshire East Council.

A village litter pick would be arranged, and ANSA had been asked to provide the necessary equipment and for the waste collection.

There was a suggestion that 30mph stickers should be provided for wheelie bins. Borough Cllr Posnett advised that these were currently being reviewed across the Bunbury ward and further details would be provided as to availability and cost.

Cllr Lewis advised that an article would be placed on the website seeking suggestions for Village Improvements.

**24/043 BIODIVERSITY**

Cllr Dobson advised that activities continued including bird counts, cutting back overgrowth and obtaining additional wildflower seeds.

**24/044 FINANCE REPORT**

Councillors reviewed the Finance report which identified that the Council bank balance was currently £5,704, which would reduce to £1,870 by the end of the financial year should spending be as per the budget.

RESOLVED – that the following payments be approved:

<b>Payee</b>	<b>Reason</b>	<b>Total</b>	<b>VAT</b>	<b>Net</b>
HMRC	PAYE (Q2)	310.80		310.80
Peter Wilson	Lengthsman	526.24		526.24

Bank Signatories

RESOLVED – that Cllr Dobson be added to the list of bank signatories.

**24/045 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Tuesday, 12 November 2024 at St Bart's Church