

**Minutes of No Man's Heath & District
Parish Council Meeting
held at Bickley Coronation Hall
at 7.00 pm on Thursday 9th September 2021**

PRESENT

Chairman:	Cllr David Lithgow Smith	
Cllr Jan Birch	Cllr Carolyn Day	Cllr Tony Day
Cllr Keith Done	Cllr Peter Guildford	Cllr Tim Harrop
Cllr Trevor Parker	Cllr Stephen Roberts	Cllr Michael Voisey

Clerk - Mrs Ruth Shackleton; PCSO Jon Hurst.
Members of the Public and Parish – 0.

1. APOLOGIES

Cllr Paul Roberts

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Birch declared a pecuniary interest in item 9.1.2 of the minutes.

3. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

Cllr Birch spoke to the meeting about planning applications 21/03316/FUL and 21/03317/LBC regarding drainage concerns.

4. MINUTES

RESOLVED:- that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held Thursday 8th July 2021 be accepted as a true and proper record. The Vice Chairman signed the minutes.

Proposed by Cllr Parker and seconded by Cllr Guildford.

5. POLICE

The police report was circulated previously.

PCSO Hurst spoke to the meeting about road safety.

Concerns were raised regarding the volume of HGVs using the A41 as a shortcut to Holyhead.

The Clerk is to follow up the traffic survey that CW&C were due to be carrying out on the A41 from Chester to the border at Grindley Brook.

Concerns regarding the increase of traffic on the roads post lockdown were raised.

PCSO Hurst advised that the local police do what they can when they able to do so.

6. ACCOUNTS AND PAYMENTS

6.1 Payments:-

Chq No	Payee	Amount
874	Running Costs	£ 28.96
876	HMRC	£ 225.00
877	My Village News	£ 160.00
878	Thomson Planning Partnership (Neighbourhood Plan)	£ 208.80
879	Community Heartbeat (Defib annual support cost year 3)	£ 162.00
880	DONATION:- Macmillan Cancer Support	£ 100.00
881	DONATION:- St Wenefrede's Church	£ 500.00
DD	Information Commissioners Office	£ 35.00

The Clerk was paid by standing order.

Receipts:-

HMRC - VAT Refund - £373.83

Bank Account:-

Reconciled balance of the Current Bank Account as at 31 July 2021:- £3,847.95.

Balance of the Deposit Bank Account as at 31 July 2021:- £ 9,659.14.

RESOLVED:- that the Council accept the above payments and accounts circulated.

Proposed by Cllr Parker and seconded by Cllr Voisey.

7. **ANNUAL AUDIT FOR FINANCIAL YEAR 2020 – 21**

There were no matters arising with the Internal Audit. The report can be found on page four of the AGAR which has been posted on the website.

8. **GRANT REQUEST**

The Council considered the grant request of £500.00 received from St Wenefrede's Church, Bickley to pay towards maintenance of the burial ground.

RESOLVED:- that the Council donate £500.00 to St Wenefrede's Church, Bickley towards maintenance of the burial ground.

Proposed by Cllr Guildford and seconded by Cllr Voisey.

9. **PLANNING**

9.1 Planning Register:-

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

9.1.2 The Council considered the following planning applications:-

21/03316/FUL and 21/03317/LBC - Construction of a double oak framed garage / workshop at 2 Gate House Barns Mates Lane Edge Malpas.

The Council would wish to ensure that the surface water drainage is effective.

The Council expressed concerns regarding the loss of natural habitat.

9.2 Solar Panel Farm:-

The Council has received notification of a proposed solar farm on land west of the A49 at Chads Farm, Barhill, Tushingham.

A pre application consultation seminar was held on 18th August 2021.

The Council agreed to wait to receive the full planning application before making any observations.

10. **HIGHWAYS**

10.1 Tilston Road:-

Cllr Birch updated the meeting regarding flooding, repairs and the request for road safety signage on Tilston Road.

The road safety signage is due to be installed imminently.

10.2 Witney Lane:-

CW&C have been instructed to carry out the survey in respect of the reduction in speed limit.

They have advised they will be planning the next monitoring programme to begin in September; monitoring takes place in term time.

The resident who made the request has been informed.

10.3 Road Surface of the B5069 from the A41 roundabout to the entrance of the industrial estate at Hampton:-

This has been reported to CW&C who are aware this section has been omitted from the programmed surface dressing (because it has passed the point they can repair via surface sealing).

CW&C cannot give a timeframe of when the works will take place.

The Council agreed to write to the portfolio holder and the head of highways at CW&C to request when the work will be carried out.

The Clerk is to write to Malpas Parish Council to request their support for the request.

10.4 Road Safety Campaign:-

The Council are to contact CW&C for details about the campaign.

10.5 Fault Reporting:-

The Council discussed the Fault Reporting process and agreed to maintain an Issues Log which will include details of any complaints received by the Council including the date received; details of complaint; actions taken; outcome etc.

Concerns were raised regarding the reappearance of Deadly Nightshade at the Littlers Croft play area. This has been reported to CW&C; the Clerk is to follow up the matter.

11. VILLAGE APPEARANCE

11.1 Celia Fiennes Monument:-

Repairs have been carried out to the monument.

11.2 Request for bin:-

A new bin now installed by the monument.

12. LOCAL HERITAGE LIST

CW&C are to create a unified Cheshire Local List. The register of heritage assets will play a key role in local and community identity, and understanding and appreciation Cheshire's past. CW&C will be working with parish councils to identify locally significant heritage assets and develop them as proposals for the local list.

13. COMMUNITY RESILIENCE PLANS

Cllr S Roberts updated the meeting regarding progress of the Community Resilience Plan. He has circulated the draft paper to Councillors and to CW&C. Cllr Roberts is due to attend the Connections Event: Flood Management Awareness and Community Resilience Plans - 20th September.

14. THE QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE

The Council considered planting a tree by the Celia Fiennes monument to celebrate the Queen's Platinum Jubilee in 2022.

The Clerk is to contact CW&C to make enquiries regarding the matter.

15. LOCAL ELECTRICITY BILL

Cllr Birch has previously circulated a report regarding the Local Electricity Bill.

Cllr Birch agreed to make further enquiries with CW&C regarding what actions are required by the Parish Council.

16. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Cllr Parker had previously circulated amendments / updates to the Neighbourhood Plan as suggested by the planning consultant, Andrew Thomson.

Cllrs are to email any comments to Cllr Parker by 23rd September 2021.

17. SPEEDWATCH

Cllr Harrop had previously circulated an update for Speedwatch in the village.

18. DATES FOR 2022 MEETINGS

The Council agreed to hold the monthly meetings at Bickley Coronation Hall. The Clerk is to make enquiries regarding availability of the room in 2022.

19. CLERK'S REPORT

19.1 Annual Report:- Copy submitted to My Village News; due to appear in the September edition.

19.2 Lamppost poppies:- These have been delivered and were distributed at the meeting to be out up in the parish.

19.3 Work in Village:- Letters of thanks sent to the volunteers.

20. CORRESPONDENCE

A list of correspondence received has been previously circulated.

Signed

Dated

Next Scheduled Parish Council Meeting

Thursday 11th November 2021

DATES FOR 2022 MEETINGS – venues to be confirmed