

HANDLEY AND DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL
MINUTES OF THE MEETING
HELD AT 7.00 PM ON TUESDAY 25TH JANUARY 2022
AT THE BILLIARD ROOM, BARBOUR INSTITUTE, TATTENHALL

OPEN FORUM

Before the official business of the Council commences there will a period of approximately 10 minutes for members of the public to have the opportunity to comment, and raise questions, on matters affecting the parish.

PRESENT

Cllrs. Nigel Johnson, Rory Lea, Jon Moseley,
The Clerk.

No members of the public attended.

APOLOGIES,

1. Cllrs Karen Mamwell, David Mamwell, Rosemary Thomas Hilary Wells.
Currently, there is no provision for formal meetings to be held online. The Parish Council must meet in person in order to meet statutory obligations.
The 'six month rule' is still in effect. This requires a councillor to attend a meeting in person, within a six month period, unless the parish council grants an extension to specified councillors.

Resolved:- In order to avoid forfeiture of office for failure to attend meetings for six consecutive months under Section 85 (1) of the Local Government Act 1972, it was agreed that the Council approve an extension to the six month rule for non-attendance of Councillors Wells and Thomas due to Councillors concerns attending face to face meetings.

Proposed by Cllr Johnson and seconded by Cllr Moseley.

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

To receive Disclosable Pecuniary Interests or Other Disclosable Interests from members on matters to be considered at the meeting.
None were declared.

3. **MINUTES**

Resolved:- The Council agreed to approve and sign the minutes of the meeting held on 2nd November 2021.

Proposed by Cllr Johnson and seconded by Cllr Lea.

4. **VICE CHAIRMAN**

Resolved:- The Council agreed to appoint Cllr Johnson as Vice-Chairman for the 2021 – 2022 year.

Proposed by Cllr Lea and seconded by Cllr Moseley.

5. **CASUAL VACANCY**

The Council has received one expression of interest to be co-opted. The person was invited to attend the meeting to be considered for co-option.

6. **MATTERS ARISING**

To Report on Matters Arising from the Minutes of the Meeting of 2nd November 2021 and not covered by the Agenda.

There were no matters arising.

7. HIGHWAYS

7.1 Handley - to consider proposed reduction in speed limit through Handley village to 30 mph (Currently 40 mph):-

CWaC has sent the validated speed limit report for Handley Village for the Council's consideration.

Following any comments and confirmation that the PC accept the findings, CWaC will add it to their list for drafting of the consultation documents for the Council to deliver to affected residents and add it to their scheme list for formal costing.

Resolved:- The Council agreed to request that the 30 mph is extended all the way through Handley; if this is not possible then the Council agreed to confirm and accept the findings and request that it is added to the CWaC list for drafting of the consultation documents for the Council to deliver to affected residents and add it to their scheme list for formal costing.

Proposed by Cllr Lea and seconded by Cllr Johnson.

7.2 Verges in Milton Green:-

There was nothing to report.

7.3 A41:-

CWaC wrote to the Council on 05/11/21 to advise the following:-

"The initial recommendations are no change in the speed limits along the A41 with the exception of the section between Rocky Lane and Broxton Roundabout.

The section north of Golborne Bridge did not meet a reduction. I had hoped to extend the 40 as far as Golborne Lodge unfortunately I was probably over optimistic in trying to extend it so far. As soon as I saw the data I asked our monitoring team to try and locate a counter nearer to the start of the 40 mph limit, this should be going out next week."

There has been a further update from CWaC on 10/01/22 to advise they are still awaiting the data which has been delayed due to technical difficulties.

7.4 Golborne Bridge:-

See above for update.

7.5 Aldersey Lane reduction in speed limit:-

The Clerk has contacted CWaC regarding a reduction of the speed limit on Aldersey Lane. They have replied to advise that the Council must submit a formal request with an agreement to part fund any changes. CWaC has requested confirmation as to which section of Aldersey Lane is to be assessed (they advised that splitting up a road or route because of Parish boundaries can lead to inconsistencies in speed limits, though the section of Aldersey Green can be seen as a change in environment).

Resolved:- The Council agreed to submit a request for a 30 mph on Aldersey Lane to the parish boundary.

Proposed by Cllr Lea and seconded by Cllr Johnson.

8. FORMER CCP DEPOT

There is no further update from CWaC regarding the planning application.

9. FINANCE

9.1 To approve accounts and bank reconciliation:-

Receipts:-

Reconciled balance at current bank account at 31st December 2021:- £13,784.05.

Reconciled balance at business reserve bank account at 31st December 2021:-
£5,504.14.

9.2 To accept and approve the following payments:-

Chq No	Payee	Statutory Power	Amount
579	The Barbour Institute (room hire)	s.111	£ 17.00
580	HMRC (Jan – Mar 2022 PAYE)		£ 81.00

Resolved:- The Council agreed to approve the above payments.

Proposed by Cllr Lea and seconded by Cllr Johnson.

9.3 To receive Budget to Date Figures:-

The Council noted the budget to date figures as at 31st December 2021..

10. PRECEPT

10.1 To approve the budget for the 2022 – 2023 financial year:-

The Council considered the figures for the budget for the 2022 – 2023 financial year (See attached for details).

Resolved:- The Council agreed to approve the budget for the 2022 – 2023 financial year.

Proposed by Cllr Lea and seconded by Cllr Johnson.

10.2 To set the precept for the 2022 – 2023 financial year:-

Resolved:- The Council agreed to set the budget for the 2022 – 2023 financial year at £3,752.00 (this is the same amount as 2021 – 2022).

11. VILLAGE APPEARANCE

11.1 Litter Bins:-

A request has been sent to CWaC to request for a litter bin at the Handley layby

11.2 Post Box in Handley:-

The post box in Handley has been removed; this has been requested by the new owners; the Council has contacted Royal Mail and is waiting for a reply regarding whether it will be replaced / resited.

12. PLANNING

12.1 Planning Applications Received:-

No applications have been received.

12.2 Planning Updates:-

There are no updates.

13. CORRESPONDENCE

13.1 Correspondence:- The list of correspondence received has been distributed to councillors.

PART 2

1. PRESS AND PUBLIC

There was no consideration of this item.

2. CLERK'S SALARY AND APPRAISAL

This item was deferred.

Date of next meeting:- Thursday TBC March 2022