

HASSALL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

HELD TUESDAY 10th JANUARY 2017

SANDBACH LIBRARY at 7:00pm

PRESENT Cllr Eric. Smith (Chairman) Cllr J Stark (Vice chairman)
Cllr R. Price Cllr G. Whitmarsh
Cllr Eileen Smith
Cheshire East Councillor John Wray
Clerk to the Council: Mrs S. Davies

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Whitmarsh declared an interest in item no 9, Planning Application reference 17/0044C. The clerk instructed her that she would need to leave the room whilst this item was discussed.

3. TO APPROVE AS A CORRECT RECORD THE MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF 29th NOVEMBER 2016

The minutes of the meeting of 29th November 2016 were approved as a correct record by members present.

4. MATTERS ARISING FROM THE PREVIOUS MEETING ON THE 29th November 2016

4.1 Speed Restrictions for Day Green

It was resolved that a letter be drafted expressing the Parish Council's concerns and strong disagreement with the decision to not allow the speed reduction to go ahead through Day Green. It was further agreed that the letter should invite a Cheshire East Highways representative to meet and discuss the issue with the Parish Council. Cllr Price and the Clerk were asked to produce a draft for circulation to Members and Cllr Wray for comment. Once approved, it was resolved that the letter be sent to Chris Hudson at Cheshire East Highways.

Cllr Wray reported that he has already written to Chris Hudson, the road safety engineer, regarding the residual £2000 and what improvements to signage this could be used for. He has not had a response to date and agreed to pursue the matter.

4.2 Website update

The website draft has been emailed to Cllr Eric Smith and the clerk. The link will be circulated to all members for comment.

4.3 Replacement of Perspex in the Parish Board

Cllr Eric Smith has received a quote for £195.75 +VAT for the Perspex replacement and fitting. A purchase order is required and the Clerk was asked to put this into place.

It was resolved that the order should go ahead without striving to find further estimates because there are limited suppliers available.

4.4 Update on the Cheshire East Railings.

The clerk reported that the summary of the railings in the parish is still ongoing.

4.5 Drain and Gully Problems in the Parish

Cllr Price reported that his report detailing the state of the gullies and drains throughout the Parish is ongoing.

The clerk informed that the Gully Machine schedule on the Cheshire East Highways site appears to show that Hassall gullies should have been cleared by Gully Machine 2 in the Haslington and Barthomley route 39 (shown as complete). However, it does not appear that Hassall's have been done and the clerk was asked to query this and ask if Hassall could be included in route 41 and 42 which border us and are still to be covered.

4.6 Parish Council Logo

Cllr Eric Smith reported that this is ongoing.

Cllr John Wray left the meeting at 19:57

4.7 Bulb Planting

Cllr Eric Smith suggested we document where all the daffodil bulbs are on a map. Everyone was asked to help and record the growth such that the information can be combined into a report.

It was also suggested we might plant something different and Cllr Stark suggested a conservation/endangered species list. The clerk agreed to seek advice and suggested Cllr Hillary Robinson of Alsager Town Council.

5. COMPLAINT FROM A RESIDENT – POOR STATE OF THE ROAD ALONG ALSAGER ROAD FROM MILL LANE JUNCTION TO HASSALL ROAD JUNCTION

The clerk informed the Council that a complaint from a resident has been received and the Council agreed that the whole stretch of Alsager Road needs attention. The clerk was asked to write to Cheshire East Highways.

6. VACANCIES ON THE PARISH COUNCIL

It was agreed that all Councillors communicate the vacancies to their nearby neighbours.

7. TO AGREE THE DATES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH MEETING AND ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING

The Council agreed that future meetings take place at Sandbach Library.

It was agreed that the Annual Parish Meeting be held on Tuesday, 4th April, 2017 and the Annual General Meeting on Tuesday 9th May 2017. The clerk agreed to book the library.

8. FINANCIAL MATTERS

8.1 To receive the financial report up to 30th November 2016

The financial report dated 30th November 2016, prepared by the Clerk, was received by the Council.

8.2 Approval of Payments

The following payments were agreed and approved by all present:

Cheshire east Council (hall hire for January meeting)	£30.00
Clerk – Salary October, November and December	£191.37
HMRC (tax on clerk's salary)	£47.80
Clerk contribution towards SLCC membership	£29.00
TOTAL	£298.17

All payments were approved by the Council.

9. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

17/0044C Creation of a garden Room from Existing Porch, 1, Day Green Cottages, Hassall Road, CW11 4XU

Cllr G Whitmarsh left the room

The parish council resolved that it has no objection to this application.

Cllr G Whitmarsh returned to the meeting.

16/4500C – Barn Conversion, Greenfields, Alsager Road.

The clerk reported that this application has been approved with conditions

16/4564C– Proposed 3-storey and single storey extension to dwelling, revision to approval 15/2012C.

The clerk reported that this application has been approved with conditions

ITEMS OF INTEREST FROM PARISH MEMBERS AND FROM CHESHIRE EAST CLLR WRAY

None

10. ITEMS OF CORRESPONDENCE

The clerk reported on correspondence including an update on the m6 Smart motorway program, a Holocaust Memorial Day at Sandbach Town hall on 29th January and a request from the Air Ambulance for donations. It was resolved that it should be individual choice of councillors to donate rather than be from Council monies.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING: 14th March 2017

The meeting concluded at 8:33

Chairman: Eric Smith

Date: 10th January 2017