

**MINUTES OF ORDINARY MEETING OF BUNBURY PARISH COUNCIL  
HELD AT THE PLAYING FIELDS PAVILION, BUNBURY ON 14 FEBRUARY 2018**

**PRESENT:** Councillor R Pulford Chairman  
Councillor N Parker Vice Chairman  
Councillors, L Potter, G Griffiths, C Green, M Ireland-Jones, G McCormack, T Greco and P Brookfield

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Marilyn Houston, Clerk to the Parish Council and two members of the public.

The Chairman welcomed everyone to the meeting.

**OPEN FORUM**

There were no comments from the Public.

**14.02.01 APOLOGIES**

Cllr M Thomas.

**14.02.02 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST/REQUEST FOR DISPENSATION**

Members were invited to declare any personal interest (non-pecuniary) or disclosable pecuniary interest which they had in any item of business on the agenda, the nature of that interest, and in respect of disclosable interests, to leave the meeting prior to the discussion of that item.

Cllr McCormack declared an interest in item 7.

**14.02.03 MINUTES  
(ORDINARY MEETING HELD ON 13 December)**

**RESOLVED:** to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 13 December 2017.

**14.02.04 LOCAL POLICING ISSUES**

There were no Police representatives in attendance. Cllr Pulford had sent apologies to the police cluster meeting on 18 January. Cllr Brookfield will attend the next cluster meeting.

**14.02.05 HIGHWAYS REVIEW**

The Chairman will report on car park development at item **9.1**

**14.02.06 PLANNING MATTERS**

**14.02.06.1 Planning applications received for comment**

None received.

**14.02.06.2 Decisions made by Cheshire East Council**

**17/4186N** 15/08/2017 South (CE) Delegated Agenda

Decision : approved with conditions Decision Date : 09/01/2018

Location : The Cedars, Whitchurch Road, BUNBURY, Tarporley, CW6 9SX

Proposal Approval of all reserved matters on application 14/2348N - Erection of a single detached family dwelling and garage, new access and associated landscaping.

**14.02.06.3 New Housing Developments – Update from Cllr Pulford**

Cllr Pulford reported that the land at Hill Close had been cleared.

**14.02.07 MUIR LAND OFF WYCHE LANE**

**14.02.07.1 Action to take up the option on this land including instructing Hibberts – an update**

The Solicitor drafted a letter for the Chairman and Vice Chairman to sign to go to Muir to begin the legal process to take up the option. The Chairman tabled the site plan and explained the boundary details that are being checked.

**14.02.07.2 To receive an update from Cllr. Pulford on the use of the land as a community woodland including fruit trees**

Cllr. Pulford reported on the site visit with the specialist consultant who is offering free advice on the trees. A plan is being produced.

**14.02.08 PAVEMENT ON WYCHE LANE**

The Clerk has asked Highways to look at the feasibility from a planning view. The damaged pavement in front of Tweddle Close also needs to be reported to Highways.

**14.02.09 PLAYING FIELDS****14.02.09.1 Converting old playground to car park – An update**

**General update** – Cllr Pulford reported that he has sent a further request for funding to those developers who had not responded. Communication continues with Guinness (formerly Wulvern) and Strutt and Parker.

**Relocation of benches**- deferred.

**14.02.09.2 Report from Playing Fields Committee**

- **General Update** - Cllr. Parker reported that there had not been a committee meeting.
- **Playing Fields Lease** – Cllrs. Pulford and Parker reported that when they meet with the solicitor regarding the Muir Land they will also finalise the playing fields lease.
- **Improving “no dogs” signage**  
Cllr Parker is investigating the “pictograms” visual “no dogs signs”

**14.02.10 CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL SUPPORTED BUS SERVICE REVIEW CONSULTATION - An update**

CEC have confirmed details of the Bunbury service. These have been publicized locally.

**14.02.11 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

An election to the vacancy is being arranged by CEC for 22 March.

**14.02.12 PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

Cllr. Parker reported that the pavilion has been booked as the polling station for a fee of £300. Cllr. Brookfield has liaised with CEC Footpaths Officer. The sign on College Lane has been replaced.

Cllr Green reported that the affordable housing leaflets are being delivered.

Cllr. Ireland-Jones reported back from the A51 Parish Councils joint meeting to discuss impact of :-

- a)Cheshire and Warrington Matters: A Transport Strategy to Support the 2017 Strategic Economic Plan (SEP)
- b) Transport for the North – Strategic Transport Plan
- c) Department of Transport – Proposals for the Creation of a Major Road Network Consultation

It was agreed that each Parish Council should respond individually to this consultation.

This information is available on the Clotton Hoofield PC website.

Cllr Greco reported the townfield hedge has been trimmed but the footpath has continuing problems.

Cllr Potter highlighted the bad state of the road surface on Bunbury and Bowes gate roads.

**14.02.13 CORRESPONDENCE**

The Clerk reported that a request for a donation had been received from North West Air Ambulance Charity and Tarporley Hospital.

RESOLVED: to approve a donation of £100 to NW Air Ambulance and to continue supporting local events that contribute to Tarporley Hospital.

**14.02.14 FINANCIAL MATTERS****14.02.14.01 Purchase of grounds maintenance equipment for the Bowling Green**

The purchase of new grounds maintenance equipment is progressing

**14.02.14.02 Additional payment for playground maintenance**

The Chairman and Vice Chairman reported that two quotes have been received for the continuation of this service and a third is awaited. Members asked for a report on the budget for the New Playground. This will be an item on the March agenda.

**10.01.14.03 Review of Lengthman’s contract** - To consider additional terms and conditions to be agreed to ensure the service is delivered in an efficient and timely manner.

RESOLVED: to insert a clause in the contract stating that the lengthsmen is responsible for arranging cover if unavailable to provide the service. To give three months’ notice of this change. To review contract terms in March to come into effect on 1 April.

**14.01.14.04 Authorisation of Payments – Cheques to be signed**

RESOLVED: That the following payments be authorised:

£642.74	Gross salary January - Marilyn Houston, Clerk
£60.43	Purchases for carols around tree (Refreshments for volunteers) – Nick Parker
£11.99	Renewal of website domain – Mark Ireland-Jones
£10.00	Contribution to room hire for cluster meetings – Barbridge Chapel Trust
£65	Training workshops attended by Cllr Brookfield - Chalco

**PART TWO**

**Members of the public and press were excluded for confidential matters to be discussed.**

**14.02.15 Allocation of Social Housing in Bunbury**

The Clerk updated Members on details of local residents requiring rehousing in order that Members can signpost residents to Cheshire Homechoice.

.....Chairman