



CHESLYN HAY PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING held on Wednesday 12th May 2021 at the Village Hall, Pinfold Lane, Cheslyn Hay at 7.00 pm

1. 12/05/01 – ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN

- 1.1 Proposed by Councillor B. Woolley and seconded by Councillor A. Woolley, that Councillor B. L. Bladen be elected as Chairman, 9 in favour, 1 against, 1 abstention.

RESOLVED:

That Councillor B. L. Bladen be elected as Chairman of Cheslyn Hay Parish Council for municipal year 2021/22, the declaration of acceptance was duly signed by Councillor B. L. Bladen and the Clerk.

Councillor Bladen thanked Members for voting for him in his 51st year as a Parish Councillor.

Councillor Bladen congratulated Councillors B. Williams and K. Perry on their re-election to Staffordshire County Council.

2. 12/05/02 - MEMBERS PRESENT

- 2.1 Councillor S. Hollis (Chair agenda item 1)
Councillor B. L. Bladen (Chair agenda items 2 - 17)
Councillors :- P. L. Appleton, J. C. Davison, E. A. Davison, I. Emery, L. J. Emery,
G. P. Keatley, J. D. Lockley, A. Woolley, B. Woolley
County/District Councillor B. Williams
Melanie Brown – Parish Clerk

3. 12/05/03 – APOLOGIES

- 3.1 Apologies for absence from Councillors T. M. Boyle, A. W. Emery, C. Wilkinson (Mrs) and P. Wilkinson.

4. 12/05/04 – ELECTION OF VICE CHAIRMAN

- 4.1 Proposed by Councillor A. Woolley, seconded by Councillor I. Emery that Councillor B. Woolley be elected as Vice Chairman, 10 in favour, 1 abstention.

RESOLVED:

That Councillor B. Woolley be elected as Vice Chairman of Cheslyn Hay Parish Council for municipal year 2021/22.

5. 12/05/05 – REVIEW AND APPOINTMENT OF COMMITTEES

The constitution of committee memberships and representation on liaison groups were discussed.

RESOLVED:-

That the constitution of committees and representation on liaison groups remains the same for 2021/22 with the exception of the Finance and Policies Committee where Councillor S. Hollis will step down and Councillor L. J. Emery will take his place.

6. 12/05/06 – DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

6.1 Councillor L. J. Emery declared an interest in agenda item 11 Planning, item (b).

7. 12/05/07 – MINUTES

7.1 That the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 14th April 2021 be recorded as a true and accurate record.

RESOLVED:

Proposed by Councillor S. Hollis and seconded by Councillor E. A. Davison (Mrs), all in favour, that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on Wednesday 14th April 2021 be recorded as a true and accurate record.

8. 12/05/08 – COUNTY COUNCILLORS REPORT

8.2 County Councillor B. Williams reported on the following issues:-

- Reminders have been sent out for residents to pay for their green bin service;
- Railway sleepers have not yet been laid at Landywood Lane to restrict the flooding but he has been working with Severn Trent to assist the residents with their issues;
- Donation of £1k to Cheslyn Hay Parish Council has been made to assist with flooding at the turning circle at the bottom of Rosemary Road;
- Assisting residents trying to re-instate bus routes which have been lost during the pandemic, company has now agreed to re-instate an hourly service between Cheslyn Hay and Walsall with effect from the 21st June 2021 at no extra cost;
- A resident from Cheslyn Hay has been awarded a South Staffordshire Volunteer Star Award and the ceremony will be live streamed at 7.30 pm on the 15th June 2021;
- Morris Homes have been prosecuted for failure to comply with a breach of condition notice relating to surface and foul drainage systems at Hatherton Place, New Horse Road and a total of £2265.00 was awarded in costs. A discussion was held regarding the case to date.

9. 12/05/09 – DISTRICT COUNCILLORS REPORT

- 9.1 District Councillor Hollis updated Members on the drainage plans for Hatherton Place which have been submitted in line with the original application.
- 9.2 District Councillor Hollis reported on the Covid rates for South Staffordshire.
- 9.3 District Councillor Hollis has requested an update from South Staffordshire Council on their policy for dog fouling prosecutions and is awaiting a response.
- 9.4 District Councillor Lockley reported that South Staffordshire Council are doing their best in order to resolve the Morris Homes issue but have to work within the law and the prosecution is a good outcome to date.
- 9.5 District Councillor Lockley reported that the green bins have to be renewed on an annual basis.
- 9.6 District Councillor Lockley reported that the planning application at Oakridge Close has been refused and will update the Parish Council with further developments.
- 9.7 District Councillor Lockley reported that Members would be returning to South Staffordshire Council Chamber next week for face-to-face meetings and the majority of the work has been completed at South Staffordshire Council.

RESOLVED:

Parish Council Members requested District Councillors to keep the Parish up-to-date with developments and ensure that Morris Homes do not deviate from the original drainage plans in order for the road to be adopted by Severn Trent.

Councillor A. Woolley requested a comparison between the income on the green bin service and the expenditure on fly-tipping during the last year.

Councillor J. C. Davison requested District Councillors to investigate how the investments in property made by South Staffordshire Council had fared during the pandemic.

10. 12/05/10 – FINANCE

- 10.1 No financial reports until end of year close-down has been completed.

11. 12/05/11 – PLANNING

- 11.1 21/00422/FUL – Rear single-storey pitch roof extension and a single-storey flat roof extension to the side of the property where an existing extension currently is at 9 Wesley Avenue, WS6 7JF.
- 11.2 21/00437/COU - Change of use of barns from agricultural/Sui Generis Use to B8 general storage use (retrospective) at Lodge Farm, Lane, WS11 0LT (Councillor L. J. Emery left the room whilst the discussion took place).

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk inform South Staffordshire Council Planning Department that there were no objections/comments or observations relating to planning application 21/00422/FUL.

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk inform South Staffordshire Council that Cheslyn Hay Parish Council object to planning application 21/00437/COU on the following grounds :-

- It is Cheslyn Hay Parish Council's policy to object to all retrospective planning applications;
- No specific details of what type of vehicles, objects or their sizes to be stored on site;
- There is a risk that general storage areas could be converted into dwellings;
- Residential Amenity – potential for noise and disturbance to affect the nearby dwellings;
- Inappropriate Development – unacceptable impact on the openness of the green belt;
- Highway Safety – potential to impact on highway safety accessing the very busy Lodge Lane route.

12. 12/05/12 – CLERKS REPORT

- 12.1 Annual check of Register of Disclosable Pecuniary Interests – The Clerk had distributed new Pecuniary Interest forms prior to this meeting, Members were requested to leave any amendments on the desks for collection after the meeting.
- 12.2 Review of Policies and Procedures – The Clerk had distributed revised Standing orders and Financial Regulations prior to this meeting. The Code of Conduct is awaiting adoption at South Staffordshire Council and all other policies and procedures, legal agreements, inventory and asset registers and staff pay and conditions to be referred to the appropriate Finance and Policies Committee or Human Resources Committee for consideration.
- 12.3 Public Space Protection Order – The Clerk reported that she had spoken to South Staffordshire Council and no further enforcement officers would be recruited in relation to the Public Space Protection Orders in relation to dog fouling and restrictions to dogs on a lead. A discussion was held regarding the areas in Cheslyn Hay most affected.
- 12.4 Dispensation for Parish Council Members – The Clerk reported that the dispensation for Parish Council Members with regard to the six month rule expires at the end of May 2021.
- 12.5 Road names – Saredon Road Development – The Clerk reported that eight road names had been selected from the list which would now be forwarded to South Staffordshire Housing Association.
- 12.6 Police Report – The Clerk reported on the incidents in Cheslyn Hay from the 1st April 2021 – 30th April 2021.
- 12.7 Signature of Exclusive Rights of Burial – The Chair and the Clerk signed the exclusive rights of burial for five plots at Cheslyn Hay cemetery.

RESOLVED:

Proposed by Councillor A. Woolley, seconded by Councillor E. A. Davison, that the revised Standing Orders and Financial Regulations are adopted by Cheslyn Hay Parish Council.

That the Clerk inform South Staffordshire Council that dog fouling/dogs on leads is an issue on Cheslyn Hay recreation ground, Sutherland Road open space, Cheslyn Hay cemetery and Chapel Square.

Proposed by Councillor B. Woolley, seconded by Councillor E. A. Davison, all in favour, that the six month rule is next reviewed in December 2021.

13. 12/05/13 – CORRESPONDENCE

13.1 No items of correspondence.

14. 12/05/14 TABLED ITEMS

14.1 No tabled items, send via email.

RESOLVED:

That the Clerk email any appropriate documents to members after this meeting.

15. 12/05/15 – CHAIRMAN'S ANNOUNCEMENTS

15.1 The Chair sent best wishes to Parish Councillors who are currently unwell.

16. 12/05/16 – SECTION 17 STATEMENT

16.1 Items 8.2, 9.3, 9.4, 12.3 and 12.6.

17. 17/05/17 – CONFIDENTIAL ITEMS

17.1 Legal/staffing issues were discussed.

Meeting closed at 8.40 pm.