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**MEETING OF CHORLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

**Wednesday 17<sup>th</sup> July 2024 at 7.30pm**

**The meeting was held at Lindow Primary School, Chorley, Alderley Edge.**

**MINUTES**

**Present: Cllr Richard Barraclough, Cllr David Connor, Cllr Barry Durbar & Cllr Margaret Rainey  
Also, Present – Ashley Comiskey Dawson (Clerk)**

**1) Apologies for absence: 24/078**

Apologies received from Cllrs Gould & Wilkinson.

**2) To receive Declarations of interest and requests for dispensation to discuss, or discuss and vote on a matter in which a member or co-opted Member has a Disclosable Pecuniary or non-pecuniary interest (DPI): 24/079**

None.

**3) Parishioners' attendance:** Introduction and opportunity for attendees to share points of Parish interest & Open Forum-Comment and questions concerning items on this agenda may be put to the Council by the public during this period. The maximum time allotted for public speaking is 15 minutes: **24/080.**

None.

**4) To approve and sign the Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting for Chorley held on the 08<sup>th</sup> May 2024: 24/081**

Cllr Durbar proposed, seconded by Cllr Barraclough to approve, and sign the minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting for Chorley held on the 08<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

**Motion Carried: Two in favour and two abstentions.**

**5) To approve and sign the Minutes of the Annual meeting of Chorley Parish Council held on the 08<sup>th</sup> May 2024: 24/082**

Cllr Durbar proposed, seconded by Cllr Connor to approve, and sign the minutes of the Annual meeting of Chorley Parish Council held on the 08<sup>th</sup> May 2024.

**Motion Carried: Three in favour with one abstention.**

**6) To receive any update from the PCSO. 24/083**

Cheshire Constabulary  
Chorley Parish Council report 17<sup>th</sup> July 2024

Incidents of note:

- 12/07/2024: RTC on Chelford Road involving one vehicle that had come off the road and gone into a field. No injuries and no offences identified.

Other issues:

- Speed enforcement with TruCam was carried out on Knutsford Road on:
  - 17/05/2024: Five activations.
  - 28/06/2024: Two activations.
  - 13/07/2024: Five activations.
  - 17/07/2024: No activations.

All vehicles have been sent for processing by the Central Ticket Office at HQ which will decide further action to be taken by the drivers: no further action, course, points and a fine or court.

- The force has launched a summer campaign to promote burglary prevention as burglary and vehicle theft offences can increase when people go on holiday during the school break. The

[advice issued](https://tr.ee/OapZa_43cb) is useful albeit it basic, but for our area where high-value vehicles and jewellery or designer goods are usually the targets, additional options to consider are steering wheel locks, fitting bolts to the tops of internal doors and installing driveway bollards/posts. More prevention advice is available on the Wilmslow West and Chorley Police Linktree: [https://tr.ee/OapZa\\_43cb](https://tr.ee/OapZa_43cb)

- Upcoming surgeries at Brook Lane Coffee Co.:
  - 23<sup>rd</sup> July
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> September

## 7) To receive any update from Wilmslow West and Chorley Ward Members. 24/084

Cllrs Goldsmith & Gorman were unable to attend the meeting as they had a CEC full council meeting on the same day. Cllr Goldsmith sent over the following report:

The things to report from last time are:

- The CEC highways activity on the Foden Lane sink hole that is now scheduled for repair and has been fed back to Sophie.
- The call-in for the Foden Lane paddle ball application has been accepted. Therefore, the Northern Planning Committee will now decide the application IF the planning officer wants to approve it.

- We have several external reports coming to CEC:

**A Highways report.** This reviews our road maintenance contract with Ringway Jacobs. It has concluded we do not need to ditch them (no criteria to do so, it will cost £1.5m and take 2 years). They have also benchmarked us vs 40 other councils and they conclude CEC performs above average, but we pay less than other councils, so get good value for money. They have recommended some changes that will improve our performance though and as a council, we are looking to see how we can increase our highway funding.

**An LGA review.** It doesn't tell us much we didn't know. However, it allows councillors to ensure the council has better management systems as they have never been implemented since CEC was formed in 2009.

**A CEC Transformation Report.** This will identify £75m to £100m in savings over the next 4 years that will allow us to remain solvent and build back our financial reserves.

## 8) Matters Arising 24/085

- i. Update on deed of easement with the developers of the Laburnum Farm site. – Planning Permission still not obtained.
- ii. Footpaths & Bridleways. – Cllr Rainey noted that some drainage works must have been completed on Edgeview Lane and Carr Lane as the flood levels had reduced, even with current levels of rainfall. She noted that the Bridleway from the Alpaca Farm to Freyas Folly had narrowed considerably and that landowners should replace barbed-wire fencing. It was agreed to approach CE PROW with details of land ownership and ask them to intervene.
- iii. Footpath adjacent to Prospect House. – Correspondence has been received from the owners of Prospect House and it was agreed that CPC would approach CE PROW in respect of the matter to request their opinion.
- iv. Any other matters and jobs for parish ranger. – Noted that the hedge adjacent to the old bowling green required a light cut back and it would be necessary to review the hedge at Dingle Avenue again.

## 9) Highways Issues 24/086

- I. Flooding of Foden Lane. – No Update.
- II. Sink Hole on Foden Lane. – Correspondence has been received from Cllr Mark Goldsmith, the sinkhole on Foden Lane is included in this financial year's highways budget allocation for repair.
- III. Gullies and drainage. – Noted that the Gully on Knutsford Road, near Dingle Avenue was fully functional again following correspondence between Cllr Connor, Cllr Goldsmith, and CE Highway's officers.
- IV. Potholes. - A number of potholes have been patched along Foden Lane.

## 10) MOTION: To receive any further recommendations from councillors regarding the spend of currently held CIL monies. 24/087

It was agreed, without a vote to consider the purchase of either some "Horses Crossing" signs or to contribute towards some information boards along the new Lindow Moss trail. To be decided at a future meeting.

**11) MOTION: To adopt the new NALC Model Financial Regulations 2024. 24/088**

Cllr Barraclough proposed, seconded by Cllr Connor to adopt the new NALC Model Financial Regulations 2024.

**Resolved: Unanimously.**

**12) Planning 24/089**

**1) Decided List: 24/090**

- a) 22/3245M PLUM TREE COTTAGE, GORE LANE, ALDERLEY EDGE, SK9 7SP **Approved with Conditions.**
- b) 22/2792M RED BEECH HOUSE, 78, KNUTSFORD ROAD, ALDERLEY EDGE, SK9 7SF **Withdrawn.**
- c) 23/2623M LAND AT 66 TO 72, KNUTSFORD ROAD, CHORLEY, ALDERLEY EDGE **Awaiting Decision.**
- d) 23/4803M Pnd View, 66, KNUTSFORD ROAD, ALDERLEY EDGE, SK9 7SF **Awaiting Decision.**
- e) 24/1046M United Utilities, CARR LANE, ALDERLEY EDGE, SK9 7SL **Awaiting Decision.**
- f) 24/0846M THE COVES, CARR LANE, ALDERLEY EDGE, ALDERLEY EDGE, CHESHIRE, SK9 7SL **Refused.**
- g) 24/1177M The Homestead, 36, KNUTSFORD ROAD, ALDERLEY EDGE, WILMSLOW, CHESHIRE, SK9 7SF **Approved with Conditions.**
- h) 24/1151M 83, KNUTSFORD ROAD, ALDERLEY EDGE, WILMSLOW, CHESHIRE, SK9 7SH **Awaiting Decision.**
- i) 24/1153M Trafford House Farm, Beswicks Lane, Alderley Edge, SK9 7SN **Approved with Conditions.**
- j) 24/1261M LAND AT, FODEN LANE, ALDERLEY EDGE **Awaiting Decision.**

**2) New Applications: 24/091**

- a) 24/1501M Oswald Farm Mews, CHELFORD ROAD, ALDERLEY EDGE, SK9 7TJ - We, Chorley Parish Council have no objections to Planning Application No. 24/1501M relating to Oswald Farm Mews, Chelford Road, Chorley, Alderley Edge. We do, however, wish to add the following comment. Vehicles using Chelford Road are fast moving despite there being speed restrictions to adhere to. The entry/exit is very close to a bend in the road, and we have concerns that it is possible with the introduction of more traffic usage on a daily basis that traffic entering and leaving the properties could experience difficulties with that of through traffic.
- b) 24/1492M Oswald Farm Mews, CHELFORD ROAD, ALDERLEY EDGE, SK9 7TJ - We, Chorley Parish Council have no objections to Planning Application No. 24/1492M relating to Oswald Farm Mews, Chelford Road, Chorley, Alderley Edge. We would, however, wish to add that due to the nature of the Application that Cheshire East Highways would be able to provide their guidance on any safety issues relating to a new vehicle access point to and from Chelford Road.
- c) 24/1927M WILMSLOW GOLF CLUB, WARFORD LANE, GREAT WARFORD, KNUTSFORD, CHESHIRE, WA16 7AY - We, Chorley Parish Council have no objections to Planning Application No. 24/1927M relating to Wilmslow Golf Club, Warford Lane, Great Warford, Alderley Edge.
- d) 24/1693M Trafford House Farm, Beswicks Lane, Alderley Edge, SK9 7SN - We, Chorley Parish Council have no objections to Planning Application No. 24/1693M relating to Trafford House Farm, Beswicks Lane, Chorley, Alderley Edge. SK9 7SN.
- e) 24/1817M Tenacres, FODEN LANE, ALDERLEY EDGE - The Parish Council recommend refusal of the application on the following grounds:  
This development is unacceptable harmful development in the Green Belt see NPPF paragraph 152.  
This would generate unacceptable noise pollution for Neighbours and wildlife. Disruption to wildlife. The Parish Council believe there are Badgers on the site and a nesting Barn Owl.  
The proposed 4 parking spaces are totally inadequate for a business development of this type.  
The single track Foden Lane is not suitable for a large increase in vehicle movements, especially with the present state of the sink holes on the road and the overgrown verges.

Nighttime light pollution from new floodlighting would have a detrimental impact to Neighbours.

Therefore, CPC emphasize their recommendation for refusal of the application.

- f) 24/2219M PLUM TREE COTTAGE, GORE LANE, ALDERLEY EDGE, WILMSLOW, CHESHIRE, SK9 7SP - 24/2219M PLUM TREE COTTAGE, GORE LANE, ALDERLEY EDGE, WILMSLOW, CHESHIRE, SK9 7SP
- We, Chorley Parish Council have read through Planning Application No. 24/2219M relating to Plum Tree Cottage, Gore Lane, Alderley Edge. Cheshire., and can confirm that providing all the other Organisations which have been contacted regarding this Application are satisfied that the Applicant can comply with their wishes we have no concerns, however, a resident has drawn the attention of the parish council to the fact that there are Covenants over the land restricting what may be built and that these covenants should have been addressed before a planning application or change were submitted. The planning officer should refer to these covenants and ensure they have been addressed prior to granting the application. CPC
- N.B. In her capacity as Member of Parish Council, Cllr Gould (CPC member) has declared a non-pecuniary interest in the item and has not commented on the application.

Weekly planning lists – circulated by email.

### 13) Finance 24/092

- i. Cash Book and Bank Reconciliation for financial year to date 2024/25 to be agreed and signed.
- ii. Order of payment of accounts BACS & Cheques for July & August 2024 to be agreed and signed.

Cllr Durbar proposed, seconded by Cllr Connor to approve, and sign the Cash Book and Bank Reconciliation for financial year to date 2024/25 approve and sign the order of payment of accounts for July & August 2024 totalling £1,299.39.

**Resolved: Unanimously.**

### 14) Notices & Correspondence 24/093

- i. All correspondence has been circulated to all councillors either by hand or via email.

### 15) Date of next meeting 24/094

**18<sup>th</sup> September 2024**

**Close of Meeting.**

The meeting closed at 8:26pm.

**Chair of Chorley Parish Council**  
**Cllr Sophie Wilkinson**  
**08<sup>th</sup> May 2024**

Date Raised	Action	Cllr / Officer Responsible	Target Date for completion
01-10-17	Foden Lane – Flooding	Andy Wilson CE Flood Risk – Andy Simpson	Awaiting response from Area Highways Officer. See Sink Hole – Foden Lane
15-03-23	Meet with AHO to review.		
05-04-23	Funding through 23/24 highways scheme by CE	Cllr Craig Browne	
19-07-23	CPC have invited Cllr Craig Browne to a future meeting to discuss.		
13-09-23	Escalated to Cllr Craig Browne	Cllr Craig Browne	
10-01-24	Escalated to Cllr Michael Gorman	Cllr Michael Gorman	
06-03-24	Escalated to Cllr Goldsmith	Cllr Mark Goldsmith	

01-06-18	Foden Lane - Bracken (Regular cutting by CE over three years)	CE LHO – CE Highways	This location should be on the vis-cut, I have sent an email to the green op's manager, although I will checkout this week myself. (Sept 21) Jeremy Hough has contacted the manager at SCP to ensure cut-back continues.
July 22	Bracken has been cut back on Foden Lane.		
July 23	Bracken Half cut back on Foden Lane.		
04-03-20	Sink hole on Foden Lane	Andy Simpson / CE Highways / HSE	This location is placed on the capital schemes of repair where the barriers are placed around on the verge however, the drainage improvement over the little bridge is identified and details of the priority criteria is on the Cheshire east website.
15-03-23	Meet with AHO to review.		
05-04-23	Team from Highways attended but no further progress or update.		
13-09-23	Escalated to Cllr Craig Browne	Cllr Craig Browne	
10-01-24	Escalated to Cllr Michael Gorman	Cllr Michael Gorman	
06-03-24	Escalated to Cllr Mark Goldsmith	Cllr Mark Goldsmith	
17-07-24	Cllr Mark Goldsmith has confirmed that this will be included in the current financial year highways programme.	Cllr Mark Goldsmith	
19-10-22	Mark overgrown hedges and excess water flows onto map of Foden Lane and return to AHO for him to contact landowners	Cllr Rainey	ASAP