



AMENITIES COMMITTEE
Minutes of meeting on 3 May 2018
at The Holmes Chapel Community Centre, CW4 8AA



Part I – Public and Press present

1. Attendance	Cllr J Clowes Cllr M Blomeley Cllr S Ranger Cllr M Street	Mrs S Davies - Clerk to the Council News reporter – Sandbach Chronicle		
2. Apologies	RESOLVED (A17/18/62) to accept apologies from Cllr Armitt (holiday), Cllr B Bath (holiday) and Cllr D Savage (recovering from surgery)			
3. Declarations of Interest	None			
4. Public Speaking	None			
5. Minutes	RESOLVED (A17/18/63) to approve the minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 8 March 2018			
6. Matters Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Youth Report and follow up by the partnership: no further news. It was noted that representatives of the Comprehensive school and Girl Guiding group have informally expressed interest in the formation of a Youth Council. • CBRE Ltd - Follow up on actions arising from the meeting with the precinct managers on the 2nd February 2018: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The memorial bench is due to be relocated from Parkway to the Precinct next week. 2) Installation of larger bins to easily accommodate pizza boxes on the precinct is hampered by cost – the Parish Council to investigate sources of funding to contribute towards this. 3) The shrubbery area fronting the car park by the road is proposed to be grassed over, with only the trees being retained. <p>The Clerk to write to the precinct management to continue pursuing actions and to request a meeting relating to the proposed removal of the shrubbery.</p> • Memorial Bench to PCSO Jill Cope – The bench is currently being galvanized and will be painted on its return, with installation at the Skatepark to follow. 			
7. Planning Applications	The committee considered the application listed below and RESOLVED (A17/18/64) to comment as follows: <table border="1" style="width: 100%; margin-top: 10px;"> <tr> <td style="width: 30%; padding: 5px;"> 18/1853C 108 London Road CW4 7BD </td> <td style="padding: 5px;"> Variation of conditions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16 and 17 on application 17/3331C - Construction of 2no.new dwellings NO OBJECTION </td> </tr> </table>		18/1853C 108 London Road CW4 7BD	Variation of conditions 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 10, 11, 12, 13, 15, 16 and 17 on application 17/3331C - Construction of 2no.new dwellings NO OBJECTION
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8. s106 monies	Cllr Clowes updated the committee following the meeting with James Baggeley of Cheshire East Council regarding S106 money available for ecological projects. Possible plans for enhancements to the Dane Meadow are the introduction of wildflowers to the meadow and improvements to the shady pond.			

	<p>The Green Spaces team have confirmed that S106 monies are available for further equipment at the Elm Drive play area. Cllr Street informed the committee that he has received requests for equipment to cater for younger children.</p> <p>RESOLVED (A17/18/65) to receive the report.</p>
9. Footpath Link between Persimmon and Seddon Estates.	<p>Ongoing communications with Persimmon Homes were noted, in seeking to establish continuity of off-road village footpaths into the new development, as was agreed in the planning permissions for the development. A response is awaited from Persimmon Homes at present.</p> <p>RESOLVED (A17/18/66) to accept the report.</p>
10. Holmes Chapel Community Centre	<p>The following updates were noted by the committee:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) To receive the minutes of the JLMC meeting of 17th April 2018. 2) The closing date for quotations for work to the entranceway has passed. Work will be scheduled for autumn 2018. 3) Pitch Options: Talks with the F.A. are ongoing, investigating the possibility of allocation of grant funds available to the site at the Community Centre. 4) The delayed ROSPA inspection is due in the next two weeks. 5) To note the final inspection of the Skatepark by Canvas Spaces Ltd is now overdue, with a date being pursued by the Clerk. 6) Operational Matters: There is a new manager of the Community Centre, and meetings with the Clerk are ongoing, with the next scheduled for Tuesday 8 May 2018. <p>RESOLVED (A17/18/67) to accept the report.</p>
11. Dane Meadow	<p>Progress to resolve the issue of drainage causing flooding to a path is at present being hindered due to a lack of response from the CE Assets team. Public Space Protection Order signage for access points to the Meadow was considered, along with suitability of positioning the signs available. The committee considered quotations received for the placement of a 'motor-bikes not allowed' sign.</p> <p>RESOLVED (A17/18/68)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. For the Clerk to write to CE Assets for pursuance of the drainage issue, copying in the CE portfolio holder. II. To position A4 PSPO signs at the main entrances to the Meadow. III. To appoint South Cheshire print to manufacture and install signage in deterrence of motorcycles in the meadow. IV. To include maintenance of pathways in the meadow as a future agenda item.
12. Conservation Area Project	<p>The committee were updated with progress on the project, including the interpretation panels, street signage and visiting of local businesses. The notes of the meeting held on the 10th April 2018 were received.</p> <p>RESOLVED (A17/18/69) to accept the report.</p>
13. Best Kept Village	<p>The committee heard the reasoning to include both Amenities and Village & Infrastructure committees in the formation of a working group, as the competition needs input from all aspects of the village. The Holmes Chapel Partnership has already agreed to appoint a representative for the group.</p> <p>RESOLVED (A17/18/70) for the Clerk to arrange a meeting with another Parish who have previously entered the competition to enquire more as to what is involved in the entry.</p>

<p>14. Village Fair</p>	<p>The committee heard that a double size pitch has been reserved for the fair on the 8 July 2018.</p> <p>RESOLVED (A17/18/71) to have 3 displays focussed around the theme of “Working for the Village”. These will include</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. Traffic and Transport consultation (Cllr M Blomeley) II. Improvements to the Conservation Area (Cllr J Clowes) III. Other work of the Parish Council, including awareness of the upcoming elections in 2019. (Cllr S Ranger)
<p>15. Village Tree Survey</p>	<p>There is no further news at present. Cllr M Blomeley will contact the two volunteers for an update in time for the next meeting of this committee.</p>
<p>16. Reports from Outside Bodies</p>	<p>The committee heard the following reports from the representatives of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Sandbach Almshouses: No further news • Rail report: No further news – a date for the installation of the CCTV at the station is being pursued by the office. • Holmes Chapel Partnership: Cllr Blomeley summarised the recent meeting, giving updates on the Dementia Friendly project, the Celebrating Holmes Chapel show, the success of the pedestrian safety petition in establishing local consultees in the design of the new roundabout and the progression of new projects arising as a result of Parish Council consultation. • Police – Cllr Blomeley informed the committee of problems with continuing anti-social behaviour in the centre of the village, highlighted by residents and the CCTV manager. The Clerk to follow up with a meeting with the PCSO. The next cluster meeting is provisionally scheduled for 9th July at 7.30pm. • Connected Communities – The library, the Community Centre and Goostrey village hall are all being considered as community hub centres with the possibility of more than one centre being established. Task groups are being formed in response to the stated needs of the area. The next meeting is scheduled for the end of May 2018.
<p>17. Public Speaking</p>	<p>The Chronicle news reporter asked for clarity on the following:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Details relating to the memorial bench for former PCSO Jill Cope. 2) Details relating to the Community Centre report (item 12) 3) Details relating to the proposed footpath from the new Persimmon development.
<p>18. Chairman and Clerks reports</p>	<p>The Chairman informed the committee of a personal invitation received to the opening of the Garden of Memories at the Comprehensive school on 9 May 2018. Cllr M Ranger is due to attend on behalf of the Parish Council</p> <p>The Clerk reminded members of the drop in sessions starting next week relating to the CE local transport plan consultation.</p> <p>A town and parish engagement event relating to the 12 week consultation on mental health redesign has been organised by Cheshire East CCG on 21 May 2018. This will be attended by Cllr M Ranger.</p>
<p>19. Future Agenda Items</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Village Tree Survey 2. Dane Meadow path maintenance
<p>Part II</p>	<p>RESOLVED (A17/18/72) to move to Part II</p> <p>That under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the public and representatives of the press and broadcast media be excluded from the meeting during the consideration of the following items of business as publicity would be</p>

	prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted
20. Sensory Garden	The committee heard a verbal update on progress with the project It was noted that there is sufficient funding available for the purchase of plants
The meeting closed at 8.40 p.m.	

These minutes will be submitted for approval at the next Committee meeting scheduled for 14 June 2018

Signed as Chairman of the Committee as a true and accurate record:

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