



AMENITIES COMMITTEE
Minutes of meeting on 29 November 2018
at The Academy Suite, Holmes Chapel Community Centre, CW4 8AA



Part I – Public and Press present

1. Attendance	Cllr J Clowes Cllr A Armit Cllr P Cotton Cllr S Ranger Cllr M Street	Mrs S Davies - Clerk to the Council		
2. Apologies	The committee RESOLVED (A18/19/49) to accept apologies from Cllr B Bath, Cllr M Blomeley and Cllr D Savage			
3. Declarations of Interest	None			
4. Public Speaking	None.			
5. Minutes	RESOLVED (A18/19/50) to approve the minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 18 October 2018.			
6. Matters Arising	1. Tree Planting and contact with Bellway – a meeting with Bellway has been requested 2. The letter regarding NHS dentist provision in Holmes Chapel has now been sent. 3. Peter Whiers is assisting in the compilation of the applications for the New Homes Bonus scheme.			
7. Planning Matters	The committee considered the application listed below and RESOLVED (A18/19/51) to comment as follows: <table border="1" data-bbox="421 1290 1461 1424" style="width: 100%; margin-top: 10px;"> <tr> <td data-bbox="421 1290 762 1424"> 18/5373C 86 Portree Drive CW4 7JF </td> <td data-bbox="762 1290 1461 1424"> First floor front extension NO OBJECTION </td> </tr> </table>		18/5373C 86 Portree Drive CW4 7JF	First floor front extension NO OBJECTION
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8. Persimmon Path Link	The committee were updated by Cllr Clowes following the meeting with Persimmon Homes on 6 November 2018. RESOLVED (A18/19/52) to receive the report and for the clerk to pursue Persimmon for a further response.			
9. Holmes Chapel Community Centre	The following updates were noted by the committee: <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) The Clerk reported on various operational matters raised at the monthly meeting with the site manager, including the asbestos report, the thermal imaging survey and to note the fire risk assessment is due in January 2019. 2) Roof options and update: The long- and short-term roof options were raised. It was agreed that the roof requires urgent action and quotes have been received from two contractors. A report will be put to the Strategy and Finance Committee. 3) The committee received the notes of the JLMC meeting on 23rd October 2018 and agreed the actions. 			

	<p>4) The Clerk verbally updated the committee regarding the works to redesign the entranceway, noting that the razor wire on the top of the fencing will not be re-installed. It was noted that arrangements need to be made for the white lining.</p> <p>5) The update from the meeting on 8 November 2018 regarding pitch options were noted by the committee, and the actions agreed. A draft template / specification is being prepared and will be brought to a future meeting of this committee prior to progressing with the Pitch options working party.</p> <p>6) Poplar trees – The Clerk noted a further complaint from a resident on Severn Way.</p> <p>RESOLVED (A18/19/53) to accept the report.</p>
<p>10. Dane Meadow</p>	<p>The following updates were heard:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1) Wildflower meadow – Tim Body of Cheshire East Council hasn't received further quotes and information to date but has said that he will chase 2) The drainage issues have been worked on but, due to dry weather, the effectiveness has not yet been ascertained. 3) There are a number of dead trees in the river – this needs to be logged with the environmental agency by the Clerk. <p>RESOLVED (A18/19/54) to accept the report and approve the actions.</p>
<p>11. Project List</p>	<p>The latest project list was noted by the committee .</p>
<p>12. 2019/20 Budget and 5 year Plan</p>	<p>The committee reviewed the draft budget for 2019/20 along with the 5 year plan for capital projects. The committee suggested the following changes to the capital projects plan:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. To borrow a third public Works loan to fund the works requiring to be done to the roof and car park at the community centre. This would allow the work, which is urgent, to be done in the near future as opposed to saving to have it done a long time into the future. II. The additions to Capital reserves will be reduced to compensate for the payments to the loans, leaving the requested precept the same. III. Removal of Village centre regeneration scheme IV. Delay of Strathmore Close play area scheme V. Refurbishment of Dane Meadow paths <p>RESOLVED (A18/19/55) for the revised draft budget and 5 year plan for capital projects to be taken to Strategy & Finance for approval.</p>
<p>13. Conservation Area Project</p>	<ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. The notes of the meeting held on 1 November 2018 were received and Cllr Clowes updated the committee on recent progress. 2. Church Walk improvements – the initial meeting with business owners is being held on 3 December 2018. <p>RESOLVED (A18/19/56) to receive the report.</p>
<p>14. Reports from Outside Bodies</p>	<p>The committee heard the following reports from the representatives of:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Connected Communities – the committee heard from Cllr Ranger that the community hubs have been launched in Holmes Chapel and Goostrey. • Sandbach Alms-houses: No further news. Cllr Cotton due to attend a bi-

	<p>monthly meeting on 9 January 2019.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Holmes Chapel Partnership: An update on the recent meeting on 28 November was heard by the committee. The partnership are investigating the demand for allotments as well as reviewing how it administers projects. • Education Services: Nothing to report at present. • Health and Social Services: No further news – the next meeting is on 4 February 2019. <p>RESOLVED (A18/19/57) to accept the report and actions.</p>
15. Public Speaking	None
16. Chairman and Clerks reports	<p>The Clerk reported on: The request by a circus for available land. The need for a Clerk or minute taker at the next meeting. A meeting has been arranged with Sandiford Road residents and the leader of Cheshire East Council, Rachel Bailey on Saturday 1 December. Cllr Blomeley will attend on behalf of the Parish Council. The office is to be open during the Christmas market this year, with various displays being prepared for this event.</p>
17. Future Agenda Items	
The meeting closed at 8:55 p.m.	

These minutes will be submitted for approval at the next Committee meeting scheduled for 24 January 2018

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

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