



**STRATEGY & FINANCE COMMITTEE**  
**Minutes of meeting on 20 September 2018**  
**At The Academy Suite, Holmes Chapel Community Centre, CW4 8AA**



**Part I – Public and Press present**

<b>1. Attendance</b>	Cllr S Ranger Cllr B Bath Cllr J Clowes Cllr M Street	Mrs S Davies – Clerk to the Council		
<b>2. Apologies</b>	<b>RESOLVED (SF18/19/37)</b> to accept apologies from Cllr S Hamilton (work) Cllr R Parry (family) and Cllr D Savage (holiday)			
<b>3. Declarations of Interest</b>	None			
<b>4. Public Speaking</b>	None			
<b>5. Committee Minutes</b>	<b>RESOLVED (SF18/19/38)</b> to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 9 August 2018, Parts I and II			
<b>6. Matters Arising</b>	<b>Facebook Page</b> – To note the Clerk has now set up the page and that both the Clerk and the Administrative Assistant are now posting news. It was felt appropriate to post details of the more significant planning applications received.			
<b>7. Planning Applications</b>	<p>The committee considered the application listed below and <b>RESOLVED (SF18/19/39)</b> to comment as follows:</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="427 1137 1465 1377"> <tr> <td data-bbox="427 1137 762 1377"> <b>18/4310C</b>            29 Eastgate Road            CW4 7BN         </td> <td data-bbox="762 1137 1465 1377">           Certificate of lawful proposed development –            Removal of conservatory, construction of a single storey rear extension and conversion of an intergral garage to accomodation   <b>NO OBJECTION</b> </td> </tr> </table>		<b>18/4310C</b> 29 Eastgate Road CW4 7BN	Certificate of lawful proposed development – Removal of conservatory, construction of a single storey rear extension and conversion of an intergral garage to accomodation  <b>NO OBJECTION</b>
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<b>8. Other Planning matters</b>	<p>8.1 The committee noted the minutes of the Strategic Planning Task Group meeting on 4 September 2018 and approved the actions, noting the amendment to Item 8, <i>Cllr B Bath going straight to Full Council.</i></p> <p>8.2 Cheshire East Planning Documents Consultations, including the SADPD – the committee noted the consultations and that Cllr B Bath will present a paper at Full Council. Various points were noted.</p> <p>8.3 New Homes Bonus Scheme – Cllr Bath updated the committee re the scheme, noting that the application form is not available until mid-November 2018. It was noted that the Parish Council needs to consider its priorities for submission to the Congleton Area group panel. It was also noted that ANSA quotes are required for the work on the Croco Path and resurfacing of Church Walk.</p> <p>8.4 The Committee noted the meeting arranged for 21 September re the Bank Farm decision, which will be attended by Cllr Bath, the Clerk and Ward Cllr Les Gilbert.</p> <p><b>RESOLVED (SF18/19/40)</b> to accept the report</p>			

<b>9. GDPR</b>	The committee considered the report on work required to the website for compliance with GDPR and <b>RESOLVED (SF18/19/41)</b> to agree the changes recommended by the Clerk with the exception of the SSL Certificate. A further quote from CBJ will be required without the SSL certificate.
<b>10. ChALC update</b>	Cllr Ranger updated the committee of the following items discussed at the recent AGM, which included the purpose and need for Annual Parish Meetings, concerns over traffic issues caused by HS2 on the A51, validity of and updates to neighbourhood plans over two years old, complaints against a blanket 20mph limit to be rolled out in all built up areas in Cheshire West along with other issues.  <b>RESOLVED (SF18/19/42)</b> to accept the report
<b>11. Project List</b>	The latest Project list was noted by the Committee, with no further changes suggested at this time.
<b>12. Insurance</b>	The supplied quotations for renewal of Insurance were debated by the Committee. The reduction in the premium is due to the low risk nature of the Community Centre (always open and manned), no recent claims and competition in the market. The Committee <b>RESOLVED (SF18/19/43)</b> to recommend to Full Council to proceed with the insurance cover offered by Ecclesiastical who offer an enhanced Key Person cover.
<b>13. Grant Application</b>	The committee considered the request for a donation to Visyon childrens mental health charity, and <b>RESOLVED (SF18/19/44)</b> to decline the application, as this topic is already supported through Connected Communities.
<b>14. Draft Budget presentation</b>	The revised format for preparation of the budget was noted by the committee, which includes a revenue forecast for 2 years. The committee <b>RESOLVED (SF18/19/45)</b> to approve this format for the preparation of the budget in future years. It was noted that the projected figures for revenue for the next 2 years were not approved.
<b>15. Finance.</b>	<b>RESOLVED (SF17/18/46)</b> I. To note that the bank reconciliation for 31 August 2018 is £137,082. II. To note and receive financial reports including the cash flow forecast to 31 August 2018.
<b>16. Public Speaking</b>	None
<b>17. Future Agenda Items</b>	No new items.
<b>18. Chairman and Clerk's reports</b>	The Chairman reported on his attendance at the HC leisure centre meeting, noting that the lease is due to expire in 2020. Some cosmetic improvements and a sales campaign have been made at the centre to attempt to increase membership.
<b>Part II</b>	<b>RESOLVED (SF17/18/47)</b> to move to Part II 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 prejudicial to the public interest because of the confidential nature of the business to be transacted
<b>19. Community Governance Review</b>	The committee were verbally updated on the proposal for a Community Governance Review.
<b>20. Bloor Homes</b>	The committee was verbally updated on recent planning discussions.
<b>The meeting closed at 8.45p.m.</b>	

These minutes will be submitted for approval at the next Strategy & Finance Committee meeting scheduled for 25 October 2018. Until then they are draft minutes.

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

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