



STRATEGY & FINANCE COMMITTEE
Minutes of meeting on 21 September 2017
 at The Academy Suite, Holmes Chapel Community Centre, CW4 8AA



Part I – Public and Press present

1. Attendance	Cllr S Ranger (chair) Cllr B Bath Cllr J Clowes Cllr S Hamilton Cllr R Parry Cll M Ranger Cllr D Savage Cllr M Street	Mrs S McKay – Acting Clerk to the Council		
2. Apologies	None			
3. Declarations of Interest	None			
4. Public Speaking	None			
5. Committee Minutes	RESOLVED (SF17/18/29) to approve the minutes of the meeting held on 10 August 2017 parts I and II			
6. Matters Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • The banner for the Village Volunteers has been supplied. • The Committee were updated with staffing matters. 			
7. Planning Applications	<p>The Committee considered the following planning application listed below.</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="464 1144 1477 1279"> <tr> <td data-bbox="464 1144 898 1279"> 17/4519C Land at Macclesfield Road Holmes Chapel </td> <td data-bbox="898 1144 1477 1279">Construction of three dwellings</td> </tr> </table> <p>The Committee debated the application, and RESOLVED (SF17/18/30)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. To ascertain if the land is allocated as for garden use only II. To circulate a paper of objection prepared by Cllr Bath, to be reviewed at Full Council on 28 September 2017. <p>The Committee noted the comments of Cllr Clowes, who is unable to attend Full Council. (Objection in principle as a Council, based on NP Policies)</p>		17/4519C Land at Macclesfield Road Holmes Chapel	Construction of three dwellings
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8. Strategic Planning Task Group	<p>The Committee noted the minutes of the meetings of the task group on the 8th August and 5th September 2017.</p> <p>RESOLVED (SF17/18/31)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. to receive the report, with a note that documents to be sent to members as both pdf and docs format II. to note the request of Cllr D Savage to leave the task group, due to work commitments. 			
9. Parish Council Policies	<p>Cllr S Ranger introduced a master index of potential projects and activities which could be applied to future funding. The Committee agreed to the creation of such a document, and recommended some changes to the structure of the list.</p> <p>RESOLVED (SF17/18/32) to update the draft document to reflect the changes and bring back to the next S&F Committee meeting.</p>			

10. Dunkirk Paddock Appeal decision	After debating the decision to object to this appeal, the Committee RESOLVED (SF17/18/33) to bring the letter of objection to the Full Council for consideration on 28 September 2017.
11. Holmes Chapel Parish Council and Community Centre Insurance Quote	The Committee considered the offer of insurance from Came & Co. The revaluation of the community centre has allowed for a slight decrease in the premium. RESOLVED (SF17/18/34) I. to investigate the detail as to the contents insurance for the office. II. to recommend approval of the quotation to Full Council.
12. Finance	The Committee RESOLVED (SF17/18/35) I. To note the bank reconciliation for 31 August is £84,208.00 II. To receive financial reports including the cash flow forecast to 31 August 2017. III. To note the Council has received the second instalment of the precept from Cheshire East Council. IV. To note that to date, the Audit report has not yet been returned from the BDO (external auditor)
13. Public Speaking	None
14. Future Agenda Items	1. Data Protection 2. Air Quality Strategy – delegated to the VI Committee 3. Update to the Quality Council action plan 4. Community Resilience
15. Chairman and Clerk's reports	Cllr S Ranger gave a brief summary of the JMLC meeting he attended at the leisure centre earlier that day. The joint use agreement is due to end in 2 years, and arrangements are being put in place for the continuance of the facility. Cllr Clowes expressed concern at the recent shop-lifting incident in the village centre, and the subsequent social media coverage. He expressed a wish for the Parish Council to be able to bring relevant groups together to help to stamp out this behaviour, without undermining the role of the Police.
The meeting closed at 8.33p.m.	

These minutes will be submitted for approval at the next Strategy & Finance Committee meeting scheduled for 19th October 2017

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

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