



TECHNICAL SERVICES COMMITTEE
Minutes of meeting on 16 March 2017
 at The Academy Suite, Holmes Chapel Community Centre, CW4 8AA



Part I – Public and Press present

1. Attendance	Cllr M Blomeley Cllr A Armit Cllr B Bath Cllr J Clowes Cllr R Parry Cllr M Ranger Cllr M Street	Mrs NL Clarke – Clerk						
2. Apologies	RESOLVED (ts16/17/46) to receive apologies from Cllr D Savage. (illness)							
3. Declarations of Interest	Cllr Parry declared an interest in item 8 – parking on Selkirk Drive / Portree Drive.							
4. Public Speaking	None							
5. Minutes	RESOLVED (ts16/17/47) to approve the minutes of the Committee Meeting held on 2 February 2017.							
6. Matters Arising	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Planters are with Channel Island plants to be planted and installed around the village centre in late May. Ian Petherick has confirmed he will water again this summer and has submitted invoices for 2016. • 20mph zones outside HCCS and HC Primary School are in the programme for completion by the end of March 2017. • Street lighting – to note Jubilee Walk and Sutton Oaks have been changed to LED lighting. The heritage lamps in the centre of the village will not be altered. • Date for visit to CCTV monitoring unit has been confirmed for late April 2017 							
7. Planning Applications	The Committee considered the following planning applications listed below and RESOLVED (ts16/17/48) to comment as follows: <table border="1" data-bbox="443 1568 1465 2016" style="width: 100%; border-collapse: collapse;"> <tr> <td data-bbox="443 1568 874 1736"> 17/1190D Holmes Chapel Community Centre CW4 8AA </td> <td data-bbox="880 1568 1465 1736"> Discharge of conditions for Skate park Noted </td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="443 1744 874 1912"> 17/1223C land off Macclesfield Road </td> <td data-bbox="880 1744 1465 1912"> Proposed 2 storey dwelling with double garage No Objection </td> </tr> <tr> <td data-bbox="443 1921 874 2024"> 17/1183C 51 Picton Square CW4 7NN </td> <td data-bbox="880 1921 1465 2024"> Proposed two-storey extension. No Objection </td> </tr> </table>		17/1190D Holmes Chapel Community Centre CW4 8AA	Discharge of conditions for Skate park Noted	17/1223C land off Macclesfield Road	Proposed 2 storey dwelling with double garage No Objection	17/1183C 51 Picton Square CW4 7NN	Proposed two-storey extension. No Objection
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<p>8. Highways Issues Review</p>	<p>The Committee considered the following issues</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • SIDs: Cllr Blomeley updated the committee on movements of the SIDs and repair of the faulty SIDs on Chester Road and Knutsford Road. Data will be downloaded from all devices in the near future. • Speedwatch: Cllr Armitt informed the Committee of the latest Speedwatch sessions which have taken place, and that two new volunteers are due to be trained on Saturday 18 March 2017. The signs (to be used during Speedwatch sessions only) have been supplied by Cheshire East. Quotes for Hi-Viz jackets have been obtained. • Pedestrian crossing – Middlewich Road – Cllr Blomeley informed the Committee that a signalised crossing has been agreed in principle by Cheshire East Council. A meeting has been arranged with Highways, Cllr Les Gilbert and residents on 30 March 2017. • Double Yellow Lines – The Committee considered the proposal to lobby for installation of additional double yellow lines on roads in the vicinity of the Comprehensive School. <p>The Committee RESOLVED (ts16/17/49)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. To accept the above reports II. To accept the quotation for Hi-viz jackets and proceed with the purchase III. To contact the Comprehensive School about inconsiderate parking on junctions near Portree Drive and Selkirk Drive. IV. To contact CEC Highways for advice on measures to stop parking at junctions.
<p>9. Dog Fouling</p>	<p>The Committee discussed the merits of a Poster Competition, which has had approval from the Community Enforcement Officer for CEC.</p> <p>The Committee RESOLVED (ts16/17/50)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. To contact the Schools to initiate the Competition, which will encourage dog walkers to be responsible owners.
<p>10. Christmas Lights</p>	<p>The Committee heard a report from Cllr Street on quotations for additional lights around the village centre. It was noted that with the purchase of additional lights, the annual maintenance cost will increase.</p> <p>The Committee RESOLVED (ts16/17/51) to recommend the purchase of lights for 2017 to Full Council as follows:</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. Church yard trees (replacement with LED) II. Library building.
<p>11. Air and Water Quality in Holmes Chapel</p>	<p>The Committee discussed the reports submitted by Cllr Blomeley. Concerns were raised on the lack of air quality monitoring in Holmes Chapel.</p> <p>The Committee RESOLVED (ts16/17/52) that Cllr Blomeley and Cllr M Ranger will continue to work together to bring information back to the Committee.</p>
<p>12. Benches</p>	<p>Subsequent to the recent adoption of the Memorial Policy, the Committee viewed a draft for proposed bench locations, and discussed where more benches would be appropriate, taking the recommendations of the Neighbourhood Plan into consideration.</p> <p>The Committee also discussed the siting of a new memorial bench requested in the centre of the village.</p> <p>RESOLVED (ts16/17/53)</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. To approve the positioning for future benches in the village, as per the submitted plan, but to be open to further suggestions for additional

	<p>benches from Councillors.</p> <p>II. To approve the position of the memorial bench in the village centre. Two new benches will be sited between the Fire Station and the Precinct.</p>
13. Lengthsman	<p>The Committee heard a report from Cllr Blomeley on a meeting with Chris Jones from Congleton Town Council. The merits of using their services to complete tasks in the Village, was discussed.</p> <p>The Committee RESOLVED (ts16/17/54) to engage the services of Congleton Town Council, as and when required, to complete various tasks in the Village, with a probationary period of six months.</p>
14. Capital Projects arising from the 5 year plan	<p>The Committee reviewed the allocation of projects from the Neighbourhood Plan, and RESOLVED (ts16/17/55) to note the following projects to consider over the year 2017/18 –</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> I. Extension of Christmas Lights. II. Enhancement of grassy area on Brookfield Drive / Chester Road corner and the bus stop opposite. III. Path by the Library.
15. Future Agenda Items	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Tree Survey • Grass Verges. • HGVs – enforcement of restriction.
16. Chairman and Clerk's reports	<p>The Chairman reported on a meeting with Sandiford Road residents, who are unhappy with the road being used as a cut-through.</p> <p>The Clerk reported that red-route signs are being removed from the A50.</p> <p>Cllr Bath reported on a meeting with Sanofi, Cheshire East Council and Brereton Parish Council on 16 March 2017 on development plans.</p>
17. Public Speaking	None
The meeting closed at 9.23 p.m.	

These minutes will be submitted for approval at the next meeting scheduled for 11 May 2017

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

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