



# Holmes Chapel Parish Council

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## TECHNICAL SERVICES

**TO ALL MEMBERS OF THE COMMITTEE** – Cllr M Ranger, Cllr A Armitt, Cllr M Blomeley, Cllr D Grice, Cllr RC Parry, Cllr S Ranger and Cllr MJ Street.

You are summoned to attend a meeting of the Technical Services Committee on **Thursday 4 February 2016** at Brooklands, Holmes Chapel Community Centre commencing at 7.00 p.m.

Planning applications will be available for inspection at 6.45 p.m.

## AGENDA:

1. **Apologies** - to approve any apologies for absence.
2. **To receive Declarations of any**
  - a) **disclosable pecuniary interests**
  - b) **any other disclosable interests****as required under Chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011.**
3. **Public Forum** - The Chairman will adjourn the meeting to allow questions from members of the public to last no more than 15 minutes. After questions the Chairman will reconvene the meeting.
4. **Minutes** - to approve the minutes of the Committee meeting held on 3 December 2015 - copies circulated
5. **Matters arising** – To receive verbal reports on any matters arising from the above minutes:
  - **Network Rail** – Fiona Bruce has arranged a meeting with Network Rail on Friday 5<sup>th</sup> February, at the HCCC. It will not be an open meeting.
  - **Dog Mess** - the community dog warden is delivering some spray paint to the PC office for volunteers to use.
  - **School Parking** – Local schools have been contacted to highlight recent parking concerns. Comments will be circulated.
6. **Planning applications** – To consider any applications on lists recently circulated.
  - **16/0199C** The Westbourne, Cricketers Way, CW4 7EC  
Advertisement consent, replacement of post sign.
  - **16/0342C** 35 Portree Drive, Holmes Chapel, CW4 7JB  
Roof alterations and loft conversion

- 7. Highways Issues Review** - To consider the following issues raised at previous meetings:
- a) HGV Re-routing** - to note the order is currently with the Portfolio Holder and the decision taking officer from CEC for signing.
  - b) SIDs and Speedwatch** - to receive an update on SID movements and review any data. SID data summary chart attached. Also to discuss the need for new volunteers to manage the movement, data uploading and data analysis of SID's. The speedwatch group to provide a report on monitoring on Manor Lane, and to consider a request for a SID to be installed.
  - c) Parking Issues** – Parking Issues around residential roads are still being reported. PCSO Jill Cope has told the Clerk she has no powers relating to traffic and so any problems should be reported to 101. Comments attached from ward councillor Appendix 1
  - d) 20mph Limit** – Letter sent to CEC with request for 20mph.
  - e) HCPS Middlewich Road Crossing** – request from the Primary School to help with the Middlewich Road crossing. See Appendix 2
- 8. Boundary signs** - to receive a report from Cllr Blomeley on progress with the signs.
- 9. Zebra Crossing** – to note the installation of the lights on the posts and new halo lights. To consider comments from the community on poor lighting around the zebra crossing and how to deal with it.
- 10. Street Lighting Review** -
- To receive a verbal report on the current contract with BAM Nuttall on the parish street lights;
  - To receive a report from Cllr Grice on the effectiveness of street lighting in the village centre.
  - To note the possibility of funding available to update parish lights.
- 11. Fracking** – to consider how to progress the issue through a meeting with relevant bodies
- 12. Clean for the Queen** – to note the information included in the pack and to determine whether to go ahead with the scheme.
- 13. HCCC** – To provide a “wish list” of requirements for the outdoor and indoor space at the Community Centre to be put forward to the HCCC Joint Management Committee on 17<sup>th</sup> March.
- 14. Chairman’s and Clerk’s reports** – To receive reports

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**Clerk of the Council**  
**29 January 2016**

## **Appendix 1**

Comments from Ward Councillor Les Gilbert:

We need a holistic approach to the parking problems in the Village as any attempt to resolve a specific issue has the potential to move it rather than solve it and we can't yellow line the whole Village.

The enforcement regime is confused in that CE is responsible for enforcing parking restrictions e.g. yellow lines, but only the Police can deal with obstruction which appears to be a variable concept. The situation is further exacerbated as a result of the withdrawal of any traffic enforcement role from PCSOs. We perhaps need to arrange a meeting with the responsible Police Inspector to establish their attitude to the problem and get the message across that inconsiderate parking is just another form of anti-social behaviour.

CE is currently working on a high level parking strategy flowing from which it is intended to develop individual town strategies. Progress will obviously be restrained by resources and I cannot say when Holmes Chapel might receive attention as there are several towns with comparable problems.

We are also working on a new enforcement regime but we can only enforce traffic regulation orders which are in place. A town strategy would examine what further TROs might be appropriate but as these have to be progressed through the Congleton area minor highways schemes programme which has a limited budget, the time scale would be subject to prioritisation alongside other competing schemes.

Regards

Les

## **Appendix 2**

E.mail from the Holmes Chapel Primary School:

I just wondered if the Parish Council could help us with something – I'm not sure if you know but we no longer have a lollipop lady – Alison decided that after many, many years of doing the crossing & with her husband retiring than she would hang up her lollipop. We have had no crossing now since October half term & school transport have been unable to fill the role. We have asked parents if they know of anyone but so far had no response. As you know the crossing is not just used by our children but also by the Comprehensive children & parents going to pre-school.

Could the Parish Council help to get this out to a wider audience or if we can't find someone to man the crossing look at getting an electronic crossing installed

Hope you can help

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