# DRAFT MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF MALPAS PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 14<sup>TH</sup> MARCH 2016 IN THE JUBILEE HALL AT 7 PM

#### **PRESENT**

Cllrs. Carol Broad (acting Chairman), Chris Whitehurst, Martin Shackleton, Tina Barnett, Eric Bickley, Karen Meredith, Sue Griffith.

The Clerk. Two members of the public attended part of the meeting.

Resolved:- In the absence of both the Chairman and Vice Chairman Cllr Broad was elected to act as Chairman for the meeting. Proposed by Cllr Shackleton and seconded by Cllr Eric Bickley.

#### 245 APOLOGIES

Cllrs. John Webb (Chairman), Charles Lowick Higgie (Vice Chairman), Adrian Waddelove, John Bickley, Roma Hancock, Gill Ardern, Barbara Hughes.

## 246 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Cllr Whitehurst declared a non-pecuniary interest in item 260 of the minutes.

Cllr Shackleton declared a pecuniary interest in item 257.8 of the minutes.

Cllr Meredith declared a pecuniary interest in item 257.8 of the minutes.

Cllr Griffith declared a pecuniary interest in item 257.8 and a non-pecuniary interest in item 257.1.1 of the minutes.

Cllr Broad declared a pecuniary interest in item 257.1.2 of the minutes.

#### 247 APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES

Resolved: - The acting Chairman signed the minutes of the Parish Council meeting that was held on 8<sup>th</sup> February 2016 as a true and proper record. Proposed by Cllr Shackleton and seconded by Cllr Eric Bickley.

#### 248 OPEN FORUM

McCarthy and Stone presented the meeting their proposal to build high quality retirement accommodation on land at Old Hall Street, Malpas. It is hoped to build 27 private apartments at the site. There will be a public exhibition on 6<sup>th</sup> April 2016.

## 249 POLICE REPORT

PCSO Jon Hurst updated the meeting as follows:-

- Recent thefts from vehicles in Bradley Lane and in Farndon;
- Thefts from outbuildings in Tushingham;
- A car was damaged outside Londis;
- Attention has been given to inconsiderate parking on Church Street;
- The new police officer will attend a future Council meeting when shifts permit; The Council raised the following concerns:-
- Inconsiderate parking on Tilston Road;
- · Parking across access entrances on Church Street.

## 250 ACCOUNTS

#### 250.1 Payments Approved:-

Chq No	Payee	Statutory Power	Amount	
059	Running Costs	s.111	£ 17.22	
060	St Oswald's Church – advertising	s.111	£ 26.00	
061	HOUSING DAY:- High Street Church	s.111	£ 60.00	
062	Victoria Jubilee Hall	s.111	£ 30.00	
063	CCA - Best Kept Village Competition entry	s.111	£ 50.00	
064	HOUSING DAY:- Banner for event	s.111	£ 48.00	

The Clerk's salary was paid by standing order.

#### Receipts Received:-

None have been received

#### Bank Account:-

The reconciled balance in the current bank account as at 1<sup>st</sup> March 2016 was £68,075.83. The funds are allocated as follows:-

Parish Council - £5,874.67;

- Christmas Lights Funding £890.74;
- New Homes Bonus £53,351.00;
- Allotments (balance of £3,600 transferred from NHB allocation) £1,367.00;
- Neighbourhood Plan £742.42;
- Pedestrian Crossing funding £5,000.00;
- Fencing to rear of public toilets funding £850.00.

Resolved:- The Council agreed to the above payments. Proposed by Cllr Shackleton and seconded by Cllr Barnett.

#### 250.2 Malpas Parish News:-

The Council considered making a donation to Malpas Parish News in respect of the financial year 2015 – 16 for the publication of Parish Council information. Resolved:- The Council agreed to pay a donation of £300.00 to Malpas Parish News. Proposed by Cllr Shackleton and seconded by Cllr Whitehurst.

#### 251 INTERNAL AUDITOR

Resolved:- The Council agreed to ask Harper Wright to carry out the internal audit for the 2015 – 2016 financial year. Proposed by Cllr Shackleton and seconded by Cllr Eric Bickley.

#### 252 QUALITY COUNCIL AWARD

The Clerk advised that the Council will be registered for the Foundation Level of the Local Council Award Scheme once the website is live.

#### 253 WEBSITE

The Steering Group are working on content for the website and resolving a few glitches in the system prior to the website going live.

Local organisations have been contacted to have links to their websites included on the Council's website.

#### 254 ANNUAL GENERAL MEETING AND PARISH MEETING

An invitation to attend the Council's Annual Parish Meeting has been sent to both Steve Robinson, Chief Executive of CW&C, and Samantha Dixon, Leader of CW&C, to talk to the village about how the principal authority engages with Malpas Parish Council to resolve current and future issues, especially traffic, road safety and parking, focussing on how CW&C are going to resolve issues with the Parish Council.

CW&C have replied to advise that Maria Byrne, Director of Place Operations, and Rob Brooks, Senior Manager Place Network and Environment Management, will attend the Parish Meeting on behalf of CW&C on Tuesday 24<sup>th</sup> May.

The new website is to be launched and the Parish Meeting.

Antoinette Sandbach, Louise Gittens, CW&C, local groups and organisations are to be invited. Cheese and Wine is to be served.

The Parish Meeting is to be promoted in the Parish News, shops throughout the village, local press, local Parish Councils and the website.

#### 255 SURGERY ROTA

255.1 To receive update from the March surgery:-

ISSUE	CONCERNS RAISED AND ACTION TAKEN
(i) Parking on Tilston	Concerns with parking on Tilston Road from Prospect
Road	House to where the road narrows. This has been
	reported to the police and Highways.
(ii) Flooding on Chester	Report of flooding on Chester Road by the pedestrian
Road	crossing. This has been reported to CW&C.

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(iii) Parking on Church Complaint regarding large vehicle parking at Market					
Street House and blocking the entrance to the bowling club.					
255.0	This has been reported to the police and Highways.				
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055.0	See above				
255.3	255.3 To review issues still current:-				
255.4	Ongoing				
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255.5	April:- Cllrs Whitehurst and Meredith.  Additional Surgery at the Brightlife Drop in:-				
255.5	The Council considered holding an additional Council surgery at the Brightlife				
	Drop in at Malpas Young Persons centre and agreed not to at this present				
	moment in time.				
256	ALLOTMENTS				
256.1		Undate and Actions:			
200.1	<u>Planning Application Update and Actions:</u> The Planning Application for up to 32 wooden sheds to be used in connection				
	with proposed allotments and the provision of an ancillary car park at the				
	Mosslands has been approved by CW&C.				
	Further work is required at the site including screening of the car park				
	The Council agreed to advertise the plots. The closing date for applications is				
	30 <sup>th</sup> May.				
	Concerns were raised regarding the erection of a polytunnel and wooden shed				
	at the site. A letter has been sent by recorded delivery to the individual to				
		e removed immediately from the site. No reply has been	RJ		
		e Council agreed to write a further letter to request that the	KJ		
		e Council by the end of March regarding the matter. If this			
256.2	• •	n appropriate legal action will be taken.			
230.2	6.2 <u>To establish an Allotments Working Group:-</u> Cllrs Meredith and Eric Bickley agreed to assist with the establishing of an				
		on for allotment holders. A representative of the Council is			
	to act as liaison officer between the Council and the Allotments Association.				
257 PLANNING					
257.1 Applications:-					
257.1. Applications. 257.1.1 16/00671/FUL - Erection of detached garage/store (retrospective) at Overton					
Edge Whitewood Lane Overton Malpas					
257.1.2 16/00635/S73 - Variation of Condition on application 12/03056/FUL (Residential					
development of 7 dwellings (including 3 affordable housing units)). The					
		oved plans to allow the change in road levels and to			
		plan in the approved plans), condition 3 (plan showing site			
		or levels provided), condition 4 (to prior to development			
		condition 5 (landscaping in accordance with approved			
		onstruction Method statement in accordance with the			
		Condition 11 (change to details approved prior to			
		condition 12 (to vary when details of the affordable housing			
257.1	• •	Land Off Greenfields Lane Malpas			
257.1.		tion of dwelling (amendment of planning permission I Rear Of Holly House Old Hall Street Malpas			
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	•	rt prepared by Cllr Broad on behalf of the Planning Steering			
		servations of planning applications (257.1.1 – 257.1.3). Cllr			
	Broad left the room when item 257.1.2 was considered by the Council and did				
	not vote on the item)	soil agreed to account the absencetions in the Discusion			
		ncil agreed to accept the observations in the Planning			
257.2		y Cllr Shackleton and seconded by Cllr Barnett. cations received after the agenda has been distributed:-			
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16/01075/FUL – erection of summer house in rear garden at 1 St George's Rise, Malpas

#### Resolved:- No observations.

## 257.3 Recent decisions by CW&C:-

## Approval:-

16/00359/FUL - Wigland View, Church Street, Malpas

15/04921/FUL - The Mosslands, Malpas

15/05132/S73 - Land Opposite West End Cottage, Church Street, Malpas

15/03607/S73 - Bishop Heber High School, Chester Road, Malpas

15/05060/FUL - Newhaven, Old Hall Street, Malpas

16/00063/FUL – Manor Farm Cottage, Lower Wych Road, Wychough

## 257.4 Housing Allocation Policy Review:-

The Council are to question CW&C regarding the reason for change in the housing policy.

## 257.5 To receive planning updates:-

Nothing to report.

## 257.6 Stockton Hall Planning Application:-

A site visit has been undertaken with the applicant and the agents. The applicant explained a number of important factors which helped appease the planning group's fears, a revised recommendation has been sent to CW&C.

See attached report prepared by Cllr Broad.

## 257.7 Affordable Housing / Housing Register:-

Concerns were raised regarding the application process for the affordable homes at the Stewart Milne site. Cllr Whitehurst is to raise the matter with CW&C. Cllr Broad suggested that the Council sets up a list of names of people applying for affordable housing in the village.

#### 257.8 Bovis Development:-

The planning group met with Nial Casselden, Planning at CW&C, to discuss various concerns regarding the Bovis site, including the letting policy, drainage, ecology, site access and deliveries to the site.

The Council agreed for the Planning Group, along with any other Cllrs who wish to attend, to liaise with CW&C and the developers for all the new housing developments in the village.

#### 258 PARISH INFORMATION BOARDS

#### 258. Update:-

The Clerk has met Nature Sign Design to discuss the parish information boards and to show the sites in the village.

David Hayns and Cllr Waddelove have prepared copy to be included on the information boards.

#### 258.2 Location:-

Various locations were considered. The Council agreed to site information boards at the following locations:-

- High Street car park;
- Chester Road:
- St Oswald's Church.

#### 258.3 Style:-

Nature Sign Design suggested that the black steel lecterns would be very much in keeping with the area, it would match the bench on Chester Road, and also in the middle of the town at the Cross, as well as the church and the car park. The Council agreed to use a black steel frame for the information boards.

## 258.4 Quantity:-

The Council agreed to order three information boards.

## 258.5 Artwork:-

The Clerk is to instruct Nature Sign Design to prepare a map of the village. Once this has been prepared the Council will meet to go through the design, style and content for each information boards.

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#### 258.6 Installation:-

To install the information boards Nature Sign Design have quoted £500 plus VAT and CW&C (streetscene) have quoted £270 plus VAT.

#### 259 HIGHWAYS

## 259.1 Road Layout and Signage at the Bottom of Well Street:-

CW&C have supplied an estimate cost of £3,600.00 for the road pavement build out at the junction of the bottom of Well Street.

The Council decided not to proceed with the works.

## 259.2 Road Safety on Chester Road:-

The Council considered the proposed locations for the 30 mph restriction signs on Chester Road. The Council are to request that the signage be located nearer to the Oathills development given the proximity of the proposed location being too close to the primary school and the new junctions that will be introduced when the 2 new developments on Chester Road have been installed.

#### 259.3 Love Lane:-

There has been an access issue regarding the siting of the signage.

## 259.4 Route Finder in Malpas:-

The Clerk has contacted Ordnance Survey and they are sending links the two main companies that do the mapping data for sat navs (they are Tom Tom and Navteq) to request that they remove directing drivers up lanes they shouldn't use such as Greenway Lane and Love Lane.

#### 259.5 Leech Lane:-

There was no consideration of this item.

## 259.6 Cross o'th' Hill:-

The Council has received complaints received from local residents re-speeding, and the lack of visibility of horse riders. Currently data on usage by horses is being gathered in order to support road signage warning for horse riders.

#### 259.7 Old Hall Street:-

The Council has received a request for double yellow lines at Doctors Surgery. The Council is to raise the matter with Highways.

#### 259.8 Parking in Church Street:-

The Council agreed to pay for White Hash Lines to be installed in front of the Red House and at the access route to the Bowling Club on the top of Castle Hill. The Council is also to request that existing road markings are freshened up at the same time.

#### 260 PARKING

A letter has been sent to the trustees to request that they clarify the position regarding the car park at the Recreation Ground.

Benjamin Legget, Fisher German, has replied on behalf of the Trustees of the Recreation Ground, to the letter to state that the temporary car park currently being used by Stewart Milne Homes during the construction of their adjacent development site will terminate once the development is concluded. The Trustees understand that this parcel of land could be made available for the benefit of those using the Recreation Ground and also for the benefit of the

children who attend Malpas Alport Primary School. It will require a planning application for its permanent use as a car park and Mr Legget has suggested to the Trustees that perhaps Malpas Parish Council may wish to undertake this work and then approach Cheshire Education Authority for the money to create a permanent car park and then to rent it on a permanent basis from the Trust. The Council agreed to invite the Trustees to a Council meeting.

#### 261 THE CROSS

There was no consideration of this item.

#### 262 VILLAGE PUMP

Nothing to report.

## 263 CLEANING UP MALPAS

The Council thanked Cllr Higgie and team for organising the clean up weekend.

### 264 COMMUNITY PRIDE COMPETITION

264.1 To consider which award categories to enter in the 2016 competition:-

The Council agreed to only enter the Best Kept Village competition.

#### 264.2 Hanging Baskets:-

The Clerk is to contact Gallery Flowers to request a quote for hanging baskets in the village.

The Clerk is to investigate having hanging baskets on the lampposts.

#### **265 CLERK'S REPORT**

(i) Potholes reported:-	Love Lane
	High Street / Old Hall Street
(ii) Church Street –	Complaint received from resident regarding congestion on
congestion:-	Church Street. Reply sent to advise police and CW&C are
	due to be meeting to discuss the situation that will be
	reported back to the PC for consideration and action.
(iii) Street Light Out:-	Reported Street Light Out on Chester Road.
(iv) Bus Stop:-	Damage to Bus Stop on Chester Road, Malpas reported to CW&C.
(v) Footpath across the	Reported to CW&C that the field has been ploughed and
Ox Heys Field:-	the footpath is uneven.
(vi) Fencing to rear of	Paul Williams advised he will carry out the work within the
Public Conveniences:-	next couple of months.
(vii) Garage, Old Hall	Email has been sent to Harry Tiffins to enquire what plans
Street:-	there are for the site
(viii) Wheelie Bin	Request for quotes sent to Cestrian signs –
Stickers:-	A5 stickers costs as follows:-
	100 stickers @ £2.18 each
	200 stickers @ £1.92 each
	300 - stickers @ £1.80 each
(ix) Village Pump:-	Query from trustees of Almshouses regarding where the
	PC is up to with the legal agreement – replied to advise
	there are still items on the agreement that the Pc are
	considering and will advise in due course.

## **266 EXTERNAL CORRESPONDANCE**

(incl. the RED SUGGESTION BOX located in Londis near the Post Office counter).

## 267 UPDATES FROM OUTSIDE ORGANISATION REPRESENTATIVES

267.1 Cllr Shackleton advised that he has joined the Malpas Sports Club Committee.