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**To Members of the Public:** You are invited to attend a Meeting of Audlem Parish Council to be held on **Monday 13<sup>th</sup> March 2023 at 7.00pm** in the **Methodist Church, Shropshire St, Audlem, Crewe CW3 0AE.**

*K. Chalk*

Katrina Chalk - Clerk  
(Agenda published 8<sup>th</sup> March 2023)

## AGENDA

### **22/145 Apologies for absence:**

To note apologies received from Steve Elliott

### **22/146 Public participation**

The Parish Council will consider requests from members of the public to address the meeting. However, it is at the Chair's discretion whether requests will be granted to discuss items of business on the agenda and/or relevant Parish matters. If invited to speak, individual members of the public will be allowed a maximum of three minutes. No decision can be made on these matters, but they may be placed on a future agenda.

### **22/147 Declarations of Interest**

To receive disclosures of personal and prejudicial interests from Councillors on matters to be considered at the meeting.

### **22/148 Requests for Dispensation**

To receive requests for dispensations to speak and/or vote on any matter where a Member has a disclosable pecuniary interest.

### **22/149 Confirmation of Minutes**

Councillors are requested to **RESOLVE** to approve the Minutes of the meeting held on **13<sup>th</sup> February 2023.**

## 22/150 Planning Matters

Update from Chair on Planning Matters.

**23/0185N:** Beech Tree House, Woore Road - Listed building consent for the replacement of five single glazed windows with heritage slim double-glazed windows.

**23/0526N:** Bunsley Bank Farm, Bunsley Bank - Prior approval for a proposed change of use of barns to dwellings

**23/0814N:** Pheasants Rise, Damson Lane, Cox Bank - Outline permission for 3-bedroom bungalow

**22/4588N:** Parkes Cottage, Monks Lane, Audlem - Notification under Terms of Article 8 Schedule 1 Concerning a Planning Application - Outbuilding with overall height of 3.6m (**information on application still to be uploaded**)

**CAN034 / 11496** Preliminary Inquiry – Laurel Bank Farm, Woore Road, Kinsey Heath, Audlem, Cheshire

### **Update on Cheshire East Planning Decisions received.**

**22/3207N:** Boots Pharmacy - Advertisement consent for 2no. replacement fascia logos, 1no. replacement externally illuminated projecting sign and 2no. replacement glazing graphic. Approved - APC objected to the graphic on window facing Cheshire St.

## 22/151 Financial Matters

For information only:

The payment schedule has been uploaded on to the website and the minutes from the November 2022 Full Council Meeting, which weren't visible, due to an IT issue, can now be viewed.

Council is requested to:

**RESOLVE** the amended Financial Regulations – see attached.

**To NOTE** the finance update set against the budget projection – see attached.

**NOTE** verbal update on:

- a) Claim actioned to Santander Bank
- b) Claim actioned to Financial Services Ombudsman

Council to **NOTE** and **RESOLVE** payment schedule 11<sup>th</sup> Feb to 7<sup>th</sup> March – see attached.

Members to **NOTE** a correction to the figure recorded against the payment to LCC ON 26th January 2023. The correct amount paid was £3390.**78** not £3,390.**27**.

Members to **NOTE** payments to thenMedia Ltd listed in the payment schedule 10<sup>th</sup> Jan to 10<sup>th</sup> Feb 23 were paid, but the confirmation date was not added.

## 22/152 Communications

The following articles were uploaded on the dates shown.

Report of TFWG meeting 6 Feb - 15 Feb  
No Proceeds of Crime cash for Turnpike - 21 Feb  
The Problem of Audlem's Highways - 23 Feb  
Turnpike field and FiT - 24 Feb  
Go-Too Roadshows - 27 Feb  
Audlem and Dog waste - 2 Mar.

## **22/153 Turnpike Field**

Council is requested to consider a report from Chair of Turnpike Field Working Group meeting:

- a) Councillors are requested to **APPROVE** the following bookings.  
Detectorists Victoria Cavill 9/4/23 - 10/4/23  
Detectorists David Pudney 8/2/23  
Village Fete ADAS 25/8/23 - 28/8/23
- b) Councillors are requested to approve and **RESOLVE** Fields in Trust Deed of Dedication; two councillors need to sign it, witnessed by the PC clerk.
- c) For information - update on Green Lane entrance, maintenance, tree inspection, seasonal leaflets, pond dipping platform, dog poo campaign.
- d) Councillors to note correspondence from ADAS:
  - Donation of picnic tables and/or benches
  - Ongoing discussion as to whether ADAS can assist with funding the alterations to the entrance into the field.
- Clarification regarding putting Turnpike Field into 'Fields in Trust'.

## **22/154 Village Management**

Council is requested to:

- a) NOTE March Crime Data for Audlem supplied by PCSO Nick Jarvis (document circulated).
- b) NOTE Clerk letter sent to Cheshire East requesting a site visit to Stafford Street to concerns about the speed of traffic using this road and the potential structural damage to properties on this stretch of road.
- c) NOTE Council are investigating how to improve the experience of young people in Audlem.
- d) NOTE update on fact-finding with CE on current policy change relating to the Playing fields.
- e) NOTE update on meeting with new Head of CE Highways
- f) NOTE correspondence and response from Borough Cllr Browne regarding the conditions of highways in and around Audlem.
- g) UPDATE on Coronation Plans and funding streams.
- h) Councillors to note correspondence from ADAS:

### **Monument**

- ADAS willing to fund repair work to metal lamp base and lamp bracket by the monument.  
Audlem signs at entrances to village
- ADAS monitoring the condition of the Little Heath and Tollgate signposts and proposing to provide new sign on Woore Road.

### **Village flags**

- ADAS proposing to purchase all the flags until such time the PC can accommodate this expenditure.

### **Churchfields conservation area - tree works.**

- ADAS proposing to pay for tree works to be carried out and request a Councillor to be present at a meeting with a tree surgeon who will be assessing the work required.

### **The Canal area**

- ADAS are currently engaged with Inlands Waterways association (IWA) to establish a partnership with Canal and River Trust (CRT) to address the poor state of the canal area from lock 1 to 15. The partnership proposal document will be issued to CRT in early March. The document covers items such as walls around the Shroppie Fly pub, fencing along the canal area and the "Welcome to Audlem" sign amongst other things.

### **Dog Poo issue**

- There seems to be many discussions about this subject which although not a new problem, it seems to have worsened. We have discussed this in our committee and wish to put forward a few suggestions which of course the PC may have already considered.
- Include an article in "Around Audlem" or a leaflet drop to highlight the law on this matter, the health risks and the unsociable nature of dog owners who don't pick up their dog's poo.
- Article on Audlem online in line with "around Audlem" article.
- Spray paint stencils onto pavements as was done a few years ago.
- Put up poo bag dispensers around the village. However other villages have found these expensive and people remove the bags for other purposes.

### **22/155 Report by Ward Councillor**

To receive an update from Cheshire East Councillor Rachel Bailey

### **22/156 Office Matters**

To receive and **NOTE** verbal update from Clerk.

- a) Update on arrangements to open a new Lloyds Bank Account
- b) Update on VAT reclaim submission.

### **22/157 Items for Future Agenda**

Each Councillor is requested to use this opportunity to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas. Councillors are respectfully reminded that this is not an opportunity for debate nor decision making.

### **22/158 Date of Next Meeting**

The next meeting will be held on **Monday 4<sup>th</sup> April 2023** in the **Methodist Church, Shropshire St, Audlem, Crewe CW3 0AE**.

### **Exclusion of Public**

At this point the Council will ask that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of an item pursuant to Section 100 (A) 4 of the Local Government Act 1972 on the grounds that they involve the likely disclosure of exempt information as defined in paragraphs 1 and 2 of Part 1 of Schedule 12A to the Local Government Act 1972 and public interest would not be served in publishing the information.

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## **PART B**

**22/159** Council to **DISCUSS** meeting regarding the possibility of recovering APC finances.