

AUDLEM PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of meeting of Audlem Parish Council held in Public Hall Youth Room on Monday 13th June 2022 at 7.00pm.

Present: Cllrs. Derek Winskill (Chair), Ralph Warburton (Vice Chair), Geoff Seddon, Jean

Stainthorpe, Paul Cawood, Nigel Mottershead, John Bower

In attendance: Locum Clerk – Kate Howe

Members of the Public (MOP) - 2

22/18 Apologies for absence: Cllrs. Tim Lawton, Mark Jeffs

22/19 Public open forum and participation

Parish Councillors responded to questions raised by two MOP's attending.

22/20 Declarations of Interest

None

22/21 Request for dispensation

None

22/22 Confirmation of Minutes

Councillors **RESOLVED** to approve APC minutes of the meeting held on 23rd May 2022

22/23 Matters Arising

None

22/24 Financial Matters

22.24.1 <u>Update</u> on retrieval of Parish Council documentation and equipment – Council **RESOLVED** to move to Confidential section.

22.24.2 <u>Bank Signatories</u> – Cllrs. Winskill and Warburton are dealing with new bank mandate and signatories for newly appointed APC councillors and removal of outgoing councillors.

22.24.3 Audit - Kevin Mellor (Internal Auditor) will undertake in July.

22.24.4 Council **RESOLVED** unanimously to <u>retrospectively approve</u> the minutes of the Finance Sub Committees held on 28th April 2021, 7th July 2021, 6th October 2021, 16th November 2021, 16th December 2021 and 28th January 2022

22/25 Planning Matters

22/1302N Field to the east of Audlem Rd. Development of 24 no residential units. Council believed development did not comply with the APC Neighbourhood Plan and had **registered OBJECTION prior** to closing date of 1st June. Councillors unanimously **RESOLVED** to broker constructive meeting with developer with intention to agree design policy.

22/1108N 19 Stafford St. Listed building consent for new kitchen including partial removal of an internal wall. Council **unanimously RESOLVED no objection. 22/1883N** 2 Ingleside Paddock Lane. Removal of existing conservatory and replace with single storey flat roof extension. Council **unanimously RESOLVED no objection.**

ACTION – Locum Clerk to notify Cheshire East Planning of responses.

22/26 Membership of Sub Committees and Working Groups

22.26.1 Council elected and **RESOLVED** membership of Sub-Committees and Working Groups:

Finance Sub Committee

Cllrs: Ralph Warburton
Derek Winskill
Mark Jeffs
Tim Lawton
Geoff Seddon

Planning Working Group

Cllrs: Mark Jeffs

Geoff Seddon Tim Lawton Paul Cawood Nigel Mottershead

Asset Management Working Group

Cllrs: Derek Winskill

Nigel Mottershead

John Bower

Management & Communications Working Group

Cllrs: Derek Winskill Geoff Seddon

Jean Stainthorpe

Turnpike Field Working Group

Cllrs: Nigel Mottershead

Geoff Seddon Jean Stainthorpe Ralph Warburton

Health &Safety Working Group

Cllrs: Paul Cawood

Ralph Warburton Derek Winskill John Bower

ACTION - APC Chair requested Finance sub-committee and Working Groups meet prior to APC July meeting to identify priority tasks they can effectively deliver in short term.

22.26.2 Report of the Turnpike Field Working Group meeting held on 8th June 2022 Council reviewed the revised Terms & Conditions produced for letting of Turnpike Field. Council **NOTED** the amendment from inclusion of 'East Cheshire' to 'Cheshire East'.

Cllr. Stainthorpe proposed and Seddon seconded. Council **RESOLVED unanimously** to approve the revised T&C's.

Council **NOTED** that event booking forms had been received for Turnpike Field:

2nd July Party in the Park

2nd July ASET

30th July ARS Barbeque 31st July Transport Festival 28th August ADAS Village Fair

Users of the Field must evidence their own event liability insurance is in place. Signage will be erected informing users that vehicles are parked at their own risk.

ACTION: Cllr. Winskill to produce wording and procure signage.

Footpath through south section of Turnpike Field is muddy and impassable. Cllr. Jean Stainthorpe reported that Cheshire East's Ecology Officer was comfortable with a gravelled, and sandbagged area in the 45 m. firmer section of path (Quotes received of £4,020 ex. VAT) and the use of wooden walkways and sleepers in the 24 m. of muddy section (Quotes of £3,750 ex Vat received to supply). A representative from Peak and Northern Footpath Society (P&NFS) had visited Turnpike Field. A solution had been agreed between PNFS's Improvement Officer, Cheshire East's Network Management & Enforcement Officer and Ecology Officer. A grant application had been submitted P&NFS who had agreed a grant of £8,275, ex VAT, towards the cost. Cheshire East have committed £1,000 to the project. The total estimated cost of work is £10,000, based on additional volunteer help.

TFWG sought approval of APC to enact the project.

Cllr. Stainthorpe proposed and Warburton seconded. Council **RESOLVED unanimously** to approve the project with funding identified in place.

ACTION – Cllr. Stainthorpe, (as Chair of TFWG), to identify volunteer help to install and transport materials, evidence risk assessments and methodology statements and report to APC July Council meeting.

22/27 Parish Council Matters

22.27.1 <u>New Parish Council Notice Board</u> is in storage. Siting has been previously identified with ADAS and approved by APC. Council **RESOLVED** Planning Working Group will hold informal meeting to review previously agreed siting.

ACTION – APC Planning Sub Committee to confirm preferred siting and report back to July APC meeting.

22.27.2 <u>Appointment of Lengthsman</u>. Post previously advertised via Audlem on-line (AOL). 4 applications were received, all subsequently withdrew. Council unanimously **RESOLVED** to advertise post more broadly via posters in local shop windows and community notice boards.

ACTION - Cllr. Winskill to produce advert and provide to Cllr. Stainthorpe to advertise.

22/28 Report by Ward Councillor

No report received as Cheshire East Councillor Rachel Bailey was not present.

22/29 Correspondence – none to report

22/30 Items for Future Agenda

- o Appointments to other bodies
- Siting of notice boards
- Future dates for Village Surgery

22/31 Date of Next APC Meeting

Council confirmed the next APC meeting will be held on **Monday 11th July 2022** in the Youth Club Room, Audlem Public Hall

CONFIDENTIAL SECTION:

<u>Insurance</u> - APC taking advice from National Association of Local Councils (NALC), via Cheshire East Association of Local Councils (ChALC) on insurance indemnity. **ACTION** - Locum Clerk to report.

<u>Parish Council documentation and equipment</u>. APC taking advice from National Association of Local Councils (NALC), via Cheshire East Association of Local Councils (ChALC).

ACTION - Locum Clerk to report.

Councillors unanimously **RESOLVED** to purchase new laptop and mobile phone for business use by Locum Clerk.

ACTION - Locum Clerk to supply specification and quotations for purchase of laptop. Cllr. Warburton to arrange purchase of mobile phone, billed to APC.

<u>APC Communications</u> – Parish Councillors were requested to log into their newly supplied @audlempc.co.uk email addresses and use these when communicating on any APC matters.

Council **RESOLVED** that a short NEWS item would be produced by Cllr. Stainthorpe immediately following APC meetings to upload to Audlem-on-line (AOL) website. **ACTION**: Cllr Stainthorpe to produce draft, Chair and Locum Clerk to approve wording before uploading.

Meeting close

Chair thanked APC councillors and MOP's for attendance and contributions to meeting.

Cllr. Geoff Seddon offered his apologies for July APC meeting.

Meeting closed at 9.45pm.