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AUDLEM PARISH COUNCIL**MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 1st NOVEMBER 2010**

Present: Cllr Mrs K Down – Chair
Hill Cllr P Morgan Cllr B Consterdine Cllr A Smith Cllr D Rowe Cllr Mrs I Stockton Cllr M

In attendance: Mrs J White – Clerk

Also present: Cheshire East Cllr Mrs Bailey (10.83.2 – 10.84.2), Mrs Tillin, Mr & Mrs Nicholls, Mrs Chatwin, Mr I Oxley, Mr Cooper, Ms Hollinshead, PC Condliffe & PCSO Jarvis (to 10.83.2), Mr R Millns, Mr Cartwright, Mr Tilling, Mr W Brown (Market Drayton Advertiser)

PUBLIC FORUM

Speaking for Coxbank residents, Mrs Nicholls expressed concern at recent planning decisions. Residents had therefore formed Coxbank Conservation Society and anticipated that the group would in future be consulted when decisions were being taken about local matters. Mr Oxley spoke about the spread of Himalayan balsam along Audlem's water courses and lack of action by responsible bodies.

10.80 **APOLOGIES** – Apologies were accepted from Cllr Stretch, Cllr Mrs Christie, Cllr Mrs Seddon and Cllr Furber.

10.81 **DECLARATION OF INTERESTS** – There were no declarations.

10.82 **CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 4TH OCTOBER 2010** – The minutes of the meeting were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

10.83 **PARISH AFFAIRS**

83.1 Village policing – Councillors welcomed PC Condliffe and PCSO Jarvis. PC Condliffe reported on the latest crime and road accident figures. He confirmed that there would be a police presence in Audlem on 5th November.

83.2 Audlem Day Services at Thornton House – Mr Millns presented a draft business plan and reported good progress in discussions with Cheshire East Council. Parish Councillors thanked Mr Millns for his efforts.

Resolved: that establishment of a local Community Trust be supported.

83.4 Public toilets – Cllr Consterdine reported on Local Service Delivery sessions held by Cheshire East Council.

Resolved: that Cheshire East Council be advised that Audlem Parish Council is eager to assume responsibility for grass cutting services; also to acquire ownership of the public toilets, public car park, children's playground, tennis courts and playing field.

83.5 Community speed watch – Cllr Consterdine reported that he was still awaiting training.

83.6 Allotments – It was noted that there had been a general appeal for land.

83.7 Annual Village Meeting – It was agreed that Councillors would bring suggestions regarding representation and participation to the next meeting.

Resolved: that the notes of the 2010 meeting be amended as detailed.

10.84 **PARISH PLAN 2010**

84.1 Consultation on draft document – Amendments were discussed and agreed.

Resolved: that the Parish Plan be endorsed.

84.2 Parish Plan Implementation Grant Award – Cheshire Community Action's grant offer of £2982.00 was noted.

Resolved: that the grant be accepted and the "Terms & Conditions" be signed by the Chairman.

10.85 **FINANCIAL MATTERS**

85.1 Financial report – It was noted that Cheshire East Council would not pay compensation for double taxation in 2011/12 and future years.

85.2 Authorisation of payments

J White – office expenditure for September	£36.39
D R Jones – replacement of gate post at Conservation Area	£120.00

Aon Limited – additional insurance premium (Buttermarket re-valuation)	£261.92
Royal British Legion – poppy wreath (Section 142 payment)	£50.00
Delmar Press – production of Audlem Parish Plan (draft copies)	£100.00
J Gunstone – disbursement of Community Pride prize money for www.audlem.org	£50.00

Resolved: that the above accounts be approved for payment.

85.3 Requests for grants - Audlem Community First Responders and Audlem Cycling Club

Resolved: that requests be considered at the next Finance Committee meeting.

10.86 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

86.1 Planning applications

Resolved: that no representations be made in respect of:

10/3586N Erection of double wooden garage @ Kynsal Cottage, Paddock Lane

Resolved: that previous comments be reiterated in respect of:

10/2516N Demolish group of existing pre-fab garages and outbuildings etc @ Rose Cottage, Damson Lane.

86.2 Coxbank Conservation Area – Letters from Mrs Tillin and Mr & Mrs Nicholls were received. The Parish Council endorsed observations made by Cllr Morgan in his e mail dated 27th October addressed to Mrs Tillin. The Chairman confirmed that a formal response would be made.

10.87 HIGHWAYS

87.1 Proposals for weight limit on A525 – It was noted that Cllrs Consterdine and Hill would be meeting the Area Traffic Engineer on 3rd November.

87.2 Local campaign against HGVs – Cllr Hill suggested establishing rapport with offending companies by sending an explanatory letter, with follow-up letters at agreed intervals. Councillors agreed that an initial (approved) letter should be sent and the situation reviewed at the December meeting. It was also agreed that the Highways Working Group (formed in 2005 during preparation of the Parish Plan) should re-convene.

87.3 Overhanging trees at Whitchurch Road – Cllr Rowe reported that trees and hedges had been cut back at the top of the bank but further clearance work was being delayed by Tree Preservation Orders and land ownership issues. All gullies had been emptied and Public Footpath No. 1 had been thoroughly cleared.

87.4 Location of village bus stops – Deferred to next meeting.

10.88 CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

88.1 Local Service Delivery – Letter from the Head of Corporate Improvement was received (Min 10.83.4 refers).

88.2 Consultation – Local Transport Plan

Resolved: that Cllrs Hill & Consterdine respond on behalf of the Parish Council.

88.3 Consultation – Regulation of Sexual Entertainment Venues (circulated) – No comment.

10.89 AUDLEM BURIAL COMMITTEE - Cllr Mrs Stockton reported that there would not be a precept request for 2011/12.

10.90 AUDLEM PUBLIC HALL – It was noted that work to the front steps had been completed.

10.91 COMMONS & GREENS COMMITTEE – Cllr Morgan reported that one of the stiles had been removed from Sandy Lane. Delivery of the warning sign for Brown Moss was still awaited.

10.92 COUNCILLORS' ADDITIONAL REPORTS ON MEETINGS ATTENDED – Cllr Consterdine reported on discussions with Footpaths Officers regarding creation of a permissive path between the car park and The Shroppie Fly.

10.93 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED – Noted.

10.94 ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE NEXT MEETING – Programme of meetings for 2011

10.95 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – MONDAY 6TH DECEMBER 2010

The meeting closed at 9.32 pm.

_____ Chairman

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