

AUDLEM PARISH COUNCILMINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON MONDAY 10th JANUARY 2011

Present: Cllr Mrs K Down (Chair) Cllr R Furber Cllr Mrs F M Christie Cllr B Consterdine
 Cllr D Rowe Cllr M Hill Cllr P Morgan Cllr Mrs P Seddon
 Cllr Mrs I Stockton Cllr G Stretch

In attendance: Mrs J White (Clerk), Mr J Kemble (RFO)

Also present: Cllr Mrs R Bailey; Messrs F & O Bonell; Mr B Cartwright & Mr R Millns; three residents of Moorsfield Avenue; PC Condliffe; Mr W Brown (Market Drayton Advertiser)

PUBLIC FORUM

Mr Millns and Mr Cartwright, for Audlem Medical Practice Patient Panel, spoke about contractual difficulties between Western Cheshire and North Staffordshire Primary Care Trusts likely to result in practical problems for patients. Residents of Moorsfield Avenue reported on recent dealings with United Utilities and CEC regarding responsibility for sewers on new estates.

10.111 APOLOGIES – Received and accepted from Cllr Smith and Cllr Johnson.

10.112 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS – Cllr Furber declared a personal interest in planning application 10/4936N.

10.113 CONFIRMATION OF MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 6TH DECEMBER 2010

Resolved: that the minutes of the meeting be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

10.114 FORMATION OF TRUST – “AUDLEM & DISTRICT COMMUNITY ACTION” – Cllr Hill reported that local efforts had been successful and that a Trust was now being formed to protect services delivered from Thornton House. Thanks were due to Cheshire East Council officers for their co-operation and to Mr Millns for his determination and expertise. Cllr Mrs Christie would act as the Parish Council’s representative to the Trust. At the Chairman’s invitation, Mr Millns spoke to thank everyone for their enthusiasm and support.

10.115 PARISH AFFAIRS

115.1 Village policing – There was a useful exchange of information with PC Condliffe. The Clerk would arrange to have CCTV cameras in the car park adjusted.

115.2 Allotments – Nothing new to report.

115.3 Primary Care Trust

Resolved: that the Parish Council urge Western Cheshire and Central & Eastern Cheshire Primary Care Trusts to maintain current arrangements until PCTs are taken over by general practitioners in April 2012.

115.4 Sewerage system – non-adoption of sewers on private estates

Resolved: that Cheshire East Council and United Utilities be asked to clarify the situation locally; also that Stephen O’Brien MP be asked to work towards ensuring legislation on this matter is completed as proposed.

10.116 FINANCIAL MATTERS

116.1 Authorisation of payments

Delmar Press – 1000 copies of Parish Plan 2010

£2822.00

Blitz Fireworks – display 31st December

£940.00

G Davies – street cleaning December

£209.38

Resolved: that the above accounts be approved for payment.

116.2 Minutes of Finance Committee meeting held on 29th November 2010

Resolved: that the minutes of the meeting be approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

116.3 Banking arrangements for Parish Plan projects

Resolved: that an account “Audlem Community Projects” be opened and administered voluntarily by the RFO, with 2 Parish Councillors (not members of a Parish Plan committee) and members of the Parish Plan Group as signatories, each cheque to be signed by a representative of both groups and the Parish Council to meet administration costs up to £150 p.a.

10.117 STANDING ORDERS/FINANCIAL REGULATIONS/MISSION STATEMENT

Resolved: that current Standing Orders and Financial Regulations be confirmed and that the Mission Statement be amended to: "The role of Audlem Parish Council is to promote and manage the smooth running and sustainable development of our community in a democratic, prudent and non-discriminatory way, achieving this by adherence to the highest standards. Further, it should represent the views and aims of the parish in external affairs, directly or via devolved bodies."

10.118 PLANNING AND DEVELOPMENT

118.1 Planning applications with deadlines before 6th January – The following responses were noted:
10/4578N Barn conversion @ 75 Cheshire Street – No representations.

10/4619N Two storey side extension etc @ Moonpenny Cottage, Audlem Road – No representations

118.2 The following planning applications were considered:

10/4936N Conversion of 2 cottages to 1 detached dwelling @ Oak Cottages, Bagley Lane

10/4845N Alterations and extensions to provide 12 nursing bedrooms and change of use of the building from Extra Care to Nursing Home use @ Cedar Court, Audlem Road.

Resolved: that no representations be made in respect of the above planning applications.

10/4817N Outline application for single detached one and a half storey bungalow @ 10 Whitchurch Road

Resolved: that the Parish Council object to the above application on the grounds of overdevelopment, the loss of amenity for neighbouring property on Whitchurch Road, and exacerbation of parking issues in Oak Tree Gate.

118.4 Other Notices

10/4236N Erection of hay store/barn and change of use of agricultural land to land used for keeping horses @ land to the north of 50 Whitchurch Road – Notice of site visit received.

10/4236N Erection of hay store/barn and change of use of agricultural land to land used for keeping horses @ land to the north of 50 Whitchurch Road – Notice of Public Participation at Planning Committee received.

10.119 COMMONS & GREENS COMMITTEE

Blackwater Moss – Cllrs Furber and Morgan had investigated complaints heard at the meeting on 6th December and were satisfied that no shooting had taken place on the Parish Council's land.

10.120 HIGHWAYS

120.1 Overhanging trees at Whitchurch Road – Cheshire East Council had indicated that no further work could be funded at this time.

120.2 A525 – Action was ongoing.

120.3 Village bus stops – PC Condliffe had spoken to bus drivers who assured him that they moved on if their vehicle became an obstruction. Buses stopped outside the Pine Shop in order to avoid stopping in front of residential property.

10.121 CHESHIRE EAST COUNCIL

121.1 Local Service Delivery – Discussions regarding the public toilets were continuing.

121.2 Local Development Framework – Cllr Rowe agreed to attend a seminar on 13th January.

121.3 Nantwich LAP Highways Sub Group – Cllr Hill reported that attendances were better and meetings were useful.

10.122 AUDLEM BURIAL COMMITTEE - Cllr Mrs Stockton reported that a new sign had been installed at the gateway.

10.123 AUDLEM PUBLIC HALL – Nothing to report.

10.124 CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED

Mr & Mrs Nicholls' letter dated 4th December was received.

10.125 ITEMS FOR CONSIDERATION AT THE NEXT MEETING – Grit bins, postal deliveries, dog fouling, meals on wheels, insurance cover, asset inspections.

10.126 DATE OF NEXT MEETING – MONDAY FEBRUARY 7TH

The meeting closed at 9.20 pm.

_____ Chairman

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