MINUTES OF A MEETING OF MOULTON PARISH COUNCIL
held at MOULTON CHURCH ON MONDAY 12 JANUARY 2015 at 7.45pm.

PRESENT	
Councillors	Cllrs. Aston (Chairman), Boyle, Bowie, Burgess, Clark, Harris, Vernon and Wood
Other Attendees	Parish Clerk. CWAC Cllr. Weltman. 5 Members of the Public (names recorded).

1	**To receive Apologies (and record reasons for absence) and to note any Declarations of Interest** **Resolved:** to accept Apologies from Cllr. Watkinson (personal commitment), CWAC Cllr. Sinar and PCSO Kevin McShane There were no Declarations of Interest made.
2	**To receive the PCSO's Report** In the absence of the PCSO the Parish Clerk gave a summary of the Report for December 2014. 91 incidents in total across the Moulton and Davenham area – 5 x Anti Social Behaviour; 2 x Criminal Damage; 2 x Drug Intelligence; 8 x Concern for Safety; 6 x Suspicious Activity; 3 x Abandoned 999 calls; 13 x Road Traffic Collisions; 11 x highway disruption; 41 Road Related Reports (A556).
3	**Public Participation** Margaret Newton expressed disappointment at various aspects of the Parish Council's response to CWAC Planning re Planning Application 14/04800/REM (Bovis – 148 dwellings on land off Barnside Way). Particular concerns related to the tone of the letter (which she feels is too "gushing"); lack of criticism of the swales drainage system, use of Beehive Lane by construction traffic and aspects of the site layout and landscaping. In response Cllr. Aston and the Parish Clerk both commented that all of the subjects raised by Mrs Newton were covered in the Council's letter to CWAC Planning. Acknowledgement of Bovis's professionalism to date was deserved as they have been very open and understanding during discussions. Additionally, they are a house-builder of longstanding with a high reputation. It was also pointed out that with Outline Permission in place, and Bovis not seeking to veer too far from the original (approved) plans, there is little point in again over-focusing on the same areas of objection. The key issue now, from the Parish Council's perspective, is to ensure that, if the development proceeds, it is well designed and built and that s.106 monies bring a positive, material benefit for the entire village.
4	**To agree the Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 8 December 2014 for signature as a true record.** **Resolved:** that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 8 December 2014 be agreed and signed as a true record.
5	**To receive the Parish Clerk's Report** • The Clerk commented on the number of positive Moulton related items in the local Press of late. Thanks were offered to Gina Bebbington at Northwich Guardian for her interest/support in village matters. • The Clerk has written to Moulton School regarding the re-instatement of the Lollipop Patrol. No response has yet been received. • Insurance Brokers have suggested that the Insurance Cover level for the War Memorial be retained at current levels. They comment that should a new Memorial ever be required it will need designing, the materials sourcing and then building by craftsmen. The cost would be higher than simply re-instating the existing structure. • The damaged Litter Bin – burnt out by vandals during the Christmas holiday period – will be discussed by Moulton Children's Playing Field Trust. • Quadriga have now completed the agreed repairs to the War Memorial. They have suggested that the whole Memorial is comprehensively photographed to ensure that all details have been fully recorded. Cllr. Harris will take this forward. • Assurances have been received that the Trailer (and contents) currently standing on Regent Street Backs will be removed shortly.
6	**Planning** <u>i. to note comments made by the Planning Committee on recent Applications</u>

14/04800/REM – Reserved Matters – Bovis Homes – 148 dwellings on land off Barnside Way. The Parish Clerk read out the Parish Council's letter to CWAC (a copy is available on the Notice Board and Web Site) which outlined continued opposition to a development of this size on the site. It also included observations on the plans submitted by Bovis – primary concerns relate to drainage, siting of Affordable Homes and specific use of s.106 monies.
14/05085/FUL – 4m pole and CCTV Equipment on land at QEII Playing Fields, Main Road – no comments will be forwarded as the Parish Council is the Applicant.
APP/A0665/A/14/2227731 – Appeal by Bellway Homes re 53 dwellings off Jack Lane, Davenham. An e-mail has been forwarded to the Inspector asking him to be mindful of comments/policies in the emerging CWAC Local Plan.
ii. to note Planning Application Responses from Cheshire West and Chester Council
APP/A0665/D/14/2220440 – Appeal re 1 Verdin Close (single storey extension). Appeal dismissed.
iii. to note Planning Applications advised but not yet received
None
iv. to discuss Neighbourhood Plan related matters
Sarah Barron at Cheshire Community Action (CCA) has promised to have a finalised Vision Statement and Draft Household Survey ready before the Community Engagement Evening on 20 January 2015.
v. to discuss any other Planning Related Issues
None.

7 **Administrative and Community Matters**
i. to receive an update from the Moulton Projects Working Group
The Working Group met on 6 January 2015. Updates are as follows:-
CCTV Equipment – the Planning Permission Application (see comments under 6 i) is currently out to Consultation with a response anticipated in mid-February.
Weaver Road Play Area – the Chairman and Vice Chairman signed the finalised Lease Document (start date 1 March 2015) which can now be returned to Solicitors. Cllr. Harris will arrange execution of the Declaration Document, which needs to be witnessed by a Solicitor. Cllr. Bowie confirmed that the Grow Wild Funding Application has been submitted, with £2.5k sought.
Community Resilience Plan – as previously noted this will be introduced to residents at the forthcoming Community Engagement Evening, when volunteers will be sought to help compile the Plan.
ii. to discuss arrangements for the Community Evening on 20 January 2015
This will be held at Moulton Royal British Legion between 7pm and 9pm. Focus will be on several current topics/areas of focus, with Individual Councillors/Officials manning informative display boards – the Moulton Neighbourhood Plan (Cllr. Aston and the Parish Clerk); CCTV Installation (Cllr. Clark); the Weaver Road Play Area Project (Cllr. Bowie); the Community Resilience Plan (Cllr. Bowie).
4 x Pop Up Display Boards have been ordered and these will be used to display information on the four focus areas. Posters have been placed around the village to advertise the Event and Flyers will be delivered to households in the next few days. A feature will also appear in the Northwich Guardian this week.
iii. to discuss work required at Garage Plot 14A
The Householder looking to rent the Plot has returned a completed Agreement Form accompanied by a Rent Cheque. Prior to occupancy some work is needed to tidy up the site and repair the entrance door which was vandalised in mid-December. Cllr. Aston is currently liaising with 2 Contractors to ensure that the work is completed shortly.
Resolution: to pay no more than £350 to ensure the site is cleared and made safe for use.

8 i. To authorise Accounts for Payment and note Income Received
Resolved: to authorise the following Payments and to note Income Received.
Payments:

P Sanders	Salary + Lump Sum Payment - January – Clerk	799.87
HMRC	PAYE + NI for PS January 2015	77.14
Cheshire Community Action	Neighbourhood Plan Related Work	1755.00
PIAMS	Playground Inspection – Nov 2014	36.00

Moulton Methodist Church	Room Hire	30.00
P Sanders	Expenses – Dec/Jan	57.52
Northwich TC	Sundry Work at Memorial Area	1285.20
PIAMS	Play Equipment Inspection – December 2014	36.00
Dean Sanders	Website Admin	75.00
Cllr. Aston	Display Boards	217.20
Cllr. Burgess	Photos of Garage Area	17.94

Income Received:

Bank Interest	2.96
CWAC – Community Homes Bonus	1135.00

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9 To consider Correspondence received since the last Meeting

Cheshire West and Chester Council	Various	Members Briefings (e-mailed on receipt)	To Note
	22 Dec	Partnerships West (e-mailed on receipt)	To Note
	18 Dec	CWAC Local Plan (Part 1) Strategic Policies – Inspectors Report (e-mailed on receipt)	To Note
	11 Dec	Podiatry Service Redesign Consultation (e-mailed on receipt)	To Note
	19 Dec	Letter re Precepting Arrangements 2015/6	To Discuss
Connecting Cheshire	11 Dec	Newsletter (e-mailed on receipt)	To Note
Bovis Homes	18 Dec	E-mail requesting a Further Meeting with PC	Mtg arranged for Thurs 22 Jan
Cheshire Police	Various	Newsletters (e-mailed on receipt)	To Note
	31 Dec	Review of 2014 (e-mailed on receipt)	To Note
	7 Jan	Meeting with Town and Parish Council Representatives – 27/1/15	To Discuss
VRDS	Various	Newsletters (e-mailed on receipt)	To Note
VREN	Various	Newsletters (e-mailed on receipt)	To Note
GA Crompton	30 Dec	Books on Moulton	To Discuss
L Stuart	1 Jan	Cake Stall at Village Events	To Note

Moulton School	19 Dec	Letter re Donation	To Note
Cheshire Community Action	6 Jan	Best Kept Village 2015 Competition – Entry Forms and Notes	To Discuss
Clerks and Councils Direct	7 Jan	January 2015 Edition	To Note
ICO	12 Jan	Details of Data Protection Workshop on 28 January 2015	To Discuss

Resolved:

- To submit the Precept Request Return to CWAC.
- Cllr. Harris to attend the Meeting with the Police and Crime Commissioner on 27 January 2015.
- It was confirmed that the e-books supplied by Mr Compton, covering the history of Moulton, should be made available to all via the Parish Council Wed Site.
- Entry Forms for the Best Kept Village are to be submitted to Cheshire Community Action.
- Cllr. Harris will attend the ICO Workshop.

10 **To receive Reports from Councillors and the Parish Clerk**

- Cllr. Burgess commented that the Regent Street Garages Area is, once again, looking untidy. A full review of the Area will be undertaken at the next Parish Council Meeting.
- Cllr. Vernon commented on the number of people riding bikes without lights during periods of darkness. The matter will be referred to the PCSO.
- Cllr. Clark commented that he saw two teenagers trying to start a small fire on the footpath between Summerfield Drive and the Playing Field. He also suspected drug activity. The PCSO will be advised.
- Cllr. Bowie advised that she has spoken with the Hillside Lane resident who raised the question of flooding at the front of his property. The matter has been referred to CWAC and CWAC Cllr. Weltman will check on progress. The same resident also spoke about anti-social parking near his property. This matter will be referred to the PCSO.
- Cllr. Boyle commented that parked cars make negotiating the junction of Park Lane and Niddries Lane difficult at times. The curved nature of the roadway does not help with sight lines. This matter will be raise at the next Village Walk.
- Cllr. Aston commented on the current amount of fly tipping at the rear of Regent Street (even numbers side). It was agreed to monitor the situation, referring to CWAC Streetscene if necessary.

11 **To note that the next Meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 9 February 2015 at 7.45pm – Moulton Village Hall – commencing with a 15 minute Public Participation Session.**

There being no further business this part of the Meeting closed at 9.15pm

12	**PART B – Press and Public Excluded** **Confidential Correspondence and Related Matters** Cllr. Aston advised that a Solicitors letter is required to address concerns over comments made on the Internet regarding the Parish Council and the Parish Clerk. **Resolution; to** approve spending of £480 to cover the creation of the letter.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 9.41pm.