

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF MOULTON PARISH COUNCIL
Held at Moulton Village Hall ON MONDAY 10 April 2017 at 7.45

PRESENT	
Councillors	Cllrs. Aston (Chairman) Vernon, Wood, Watkinson
Other Attendees	Parish Clerk. 3 members of public

1	<p>To receive Apologies (and record reasons for absence) and to note any Declarations of Interest No apologies. As five Councillors were not in attendance the meeting was not quorate, the Chair advised that the meeting would take place to cover administration issues noting that no resolutions can be recorded.</p> <p>There were no Declarations of Interest made.</p>
2	<p>To receive the PCSO's Report Jack Lane 27/03/2017 – A report of a 9 inch diameter hole near to the pavement – the details have been passed to the Council to repair.</p> <p>Jack Lane 27/03/2017 - Report of a vehicle being parked at the Junction of Jack lane, it has been there for 6 weeks – This has been passed to the beat PC dealing.</p> <p>Main Road 28/03/2017- Cannabis handed in at the local Police Station which has been found in a local beer garden of a Public House.</p> <p>Jack Lane and the A533 28/03/2017 – A two vehicle road traffic collision, involving a motorcycle that collided with a car, at the junction. There were injuries however not life threatening.</p> <p>Suspicious Activity/ Noise Complaint 19/03/2017 – Report of a large squealing noise on Lodge Drive – when checked the noise was coming from the railway line as it was workmen on site.</p> <p>Suspicious Activity Regent Street 23/03/2017 – A person reporting that someone has tried there door on a couple of occasions, it is believed that it is persons that do not realise the old tenants have moved out, passing attention being made to the area.</p> <p>Theft from a Motor Vehicle on Park Lane 28/03/2017 – front and rear registration plates have been taken – No CCTV no line of enquiry at this time. A marker has been placed on the vehicle.</p> <p>Beehive Lane 06/03/2017 - Report of a tipper driver using his mobile phone whilst driving and not showing due care and attention to the road. Observations were passed and there was no trace of the vehicle.</p> <p>Main Road 19/03/2017 – Report of a possible drink driver – however there was no trace of the vehicle given.</p> <p>Jack lane and the A533 – Report of a broken down vehicle - the vehicle was recovered.</p>
3	<p>Open Public Forum Jacqueline Greasy outlined her concerns regarding the condition of some of the garages at the back of Regent Street stating that there are only 4 garages that are fit go purpose on the site. Concerns were raised regarding the condition of the garage directly next to hers which has now been removed. The area is being used as a dumping ground for all sorts which is dangerous for children in the area.</p>

	<p>The clerk confirmed that she had visited the area to inspect the particular plot and has requested that the owner deal with the issue. The owner has advised that repairs will be made asap.</p> <p>The Chairman outlined the situation regarding the plots explaining that as the plot come up for renewal the Council are no longer applying for planning permission to put garages on the plots so over time they will diminish making way for improvements to the area. Cllr Vernon highlighted the issue with residents moving address and paying by cash meaning that the Parish Council are not always aware of the correct address for the person who rents the plots. The Chair brought this item to a close as this will be discussed later in the meeting as an agenda item.</p> <p>Queries were raised as to whether the War Memorial could be moved, the Councillors said that in theory it could however this would not be a feasible option as a listed building.</p> <p>Mr & Mrs Nixon raised concerns regarding the number 29 bus travelling to the cinema in Northwich and bypassing Moulton altogether. The Chairman advised that Mr & Mrs Nixon write to CWCA who run this service as the Parish Council have previously met with Arriva regarding the services in Moulton with no joy themselves..</p>
4	<p>To agree the Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 13 March 2017 Resolved: that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 13th March 2017 be agreed and signed as a true record. Proposed by Cllr Watkinson Seconded by Cllr Vernon</p>
5	<p>To receive the Parish Clerk's Report:</p> <p><u>Neighbourhood Plan</u> Clerk has confirmed to Urban Print the acceptance of their quote and has completed the online grant application.</p> <p>Weaver Road Play Area</p> <p>Clerk will update at the meeting on progress chasing Greenscreen fencing.</p> <p>Issues reported to CWAC</p> <p>Clerk has chased CWAC on the following issues:-</p> <p>Sign Niddries Lane Passageway missing barrier Whitlow Lane/ Barlow Road Right of Way Hillside overhanging bushes Pot holes Main Road Written to CWAC regarding junction at Jack Lane onto the bypass requesting that they look at traffic lights in light of the number of accidents and issues with traffic leaving the village</p> <p>Regent Street meeting Clerk will collate the responses received from people who attended the meeting and returned the forms.</p> <p>Defibrillator New pads have been ordered, details recorded were not sufficient so this took some work to locate who this was purchased from and who was actually responsible for the replacement products. This was originally purchased by CWAC and was purchased with a consumable package which pays for the renewal of any pads and batteries for a 7 year period.</p> <p>Flag Pole Harrison External Display have been asked to quote for coming out to look at the issue with the flag pole. Again our records of contacts and original purchase were not good and it proved difficult to get them to agree to come out as they could not find our original purchase as that had nothing for Moulton Parish Council and wondered if the purchase was made by someone else on our behalf.</p>
6	<p>Administrative and Community Mattes: - <u>Regent Street Land</u> The Chairman explained that a meeting had recently taken place with all residents of Regent Street together with other directly overlooking the backs to discuss what improvements they would like and how they would suggest these be funded. The following suggestions/comments have been received:-</p>

Suggestions/Comments	How will this be funded
Allotments/open space/business units	Building of business units would generate an income to maintain the area. Sell off some of the land near to the poppies would also generate funds
Allotments/grassed area, possible business units/ extend the poppies properties	Business rentals would bring in extra income as would selling off some of the land by the Poppies.
More car parking and green areas/ no new houses	No suggestion
Housing- use income to tidy up the back and provide more parking	Selling the land or could the PC employ an agent to build their own houses and rent out?
Initially to tidy up the garages and to make the area safe	No suggestion
Get rid of garages and build a meeting room and PC offices (inc small kitchen) landscape the rest of the area. Build more sheltered housing on the land	Money from the sheltered housing
A car park	Sell a piece of the land
A master plan showing proposals suggested and the cost implications of individual elements	Early partnership with a housing association to provide the master plan development to produce income to fund the proposals
Sell a strip of land to each resident for a garden area noting that the pathway that runs along the back belongs to CWAC so any area would have to be after that. Ask CWAC if they would sell that strip of land	
Sell a portion of the land by the Poppies and tarmac the rest for parking	Sale of the land would fund the work
Do not like the idea of buildings being erected, would like to keep the large trees and grassed areas and parking areas. Request that an area directly behind the fences of Meadow Lane be planted with hedges	No suggestions
<p>Cllr Wood expressed concerns and suggested that certain areas need addressing regarding the renting of plot:-</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Rents should be increased 2. Residents should be asked to produce confirmation that they have the appropriate insurance in place 3. payments should only be taken by cheque or bankers draft 4 The use of each garage should be investigated to ensure it is used appropriately in line with the agreements in place. <p>The Chairman will visit the site with the clerk and inspect all garage sites noting that no decisions can be recorded at this meeting.</p>	

7.	<p>Planning</p> <p>i. <u>to note comments made by the Planning Committee on recent Applications- None</u></p> <p>ii. <u>to note Planning Application Responses from Cheshire West and Chester Council-</u></p> <p>iii. <u>to note Planning Applications advised but not yet received - None</u></p> <p>iv. <u>to discuss issues relating to the Bovis Development off Beehive Lane</u> v. <u>to discuss issues relating to the Miller Homes Development off Jack Lane.</u></p> <p><u>Discuss any other Planning Related Issues –</u></p>
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8.	<p>Financial Matters</p> <p>i <u>To authorise Accounts for Payment and note Income Received</u></p> <p>Resolved: to authorise the following Payments and to note Income Received .</p>																																	
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Civic Update	3/3/2017	
Data Protection Registration	4/03/2017	Renewal
Play Inspection and Maintenance	4/03/2017 30/03/2017	Various
Open Spaces	9/03/2017	News Letter
Cllr Bowie	9/3/2017	Resignation
Alex Cartney	11/03/2017	Use of MUGA and Playingfield
Mr & Mrs Nixon	22/3/2017	Regent Street Backs suggestions
Robert Booth	23/03/2017	Regent Street Backs
Information Commissioners	24/03/2017	Data Protection Registration
Cllr Bowie	26/03/2017	Niddries Lane sign
Urban Print	27/03/2017	Neighbourhood Plan
Local Government Boundary Commission	28/03/2017	Electoral Review of Cheshire West and Chester Ward arrangements
Cardiac Science	28/03/2017	Defibrillator Pads

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To receive Reports from Counsellors and the Parish Clerk

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Cllr Vernon highlighted the issue with the footpaths in the village and overhanging hedges
Cllr Wood agreed with her comments and expressed concerns at the total lack of service that is being received from CWAC in respect to the footpath and hedges in the village.

Cllr Wood also mentioned the VIOLA representation as both Nick and Chris are no longer here and whilst he will continue to be second member there is a need for another councillor to attend if possible. The next meeting is planned for the 8th May and apologies need to be sent.

Cllr Watkinson commented on the recent accident on the bypass informing that the young man was still receiving treatment for his injuries.

The Councillors noted that Cllr Watkinson will be absent for the May meeting when the AGM should take place, the Clerk is to check the position with ChALK although it is considered that Cllr Watkinson would take over as Chairman at the June meeting>

To note the Date of the next Parish Council Meeting – Monday 8 May 2017 at Moulton Village Hall, commencing at 7.45pm

There being no further business the meeting closed at 9.30pm

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