



Moulton Parish Council

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Minutes of an ordinary meeting of Moulton Parish Council held on
Monday 10th January 2022

Present: Cllr Boyle, Cllr Bush, Cllr Jennings, Cllr Harding (Chair), Cllr Kershaw, Cllr LeBreuille, Cllr Marr

Also present: Clerk to the Council (Mrs W Maddock)

The meeting started at 7.31pm

1	Apologies	<p><i>The council recognises approval for this agenda item as appropriate to meet the requirement in Section 85(1) of the Local Government Act 1972.</i></p> <p>To receive, with explanation, any apologies for absence</p> <p>Apologies were received from Cllr Capstick (absent due to illness)</p>
2	Declarations of Interest	<p>Members to declare any (a) Disclosable Pecuniary Interests and (b) Other Disclosable Interests as required under Chapter 7 of the Localism Act 2011 and Moulton Parish Council's Code of Conduct</p> <p>There were no declarations of interest</p>
3	Public Forum	<p><i>Maximum of three minutes per speaker, with an overall limit of fifteen minutes</i></p> <p><i>All parishioners who wish to speak should make their intentions known to the clerk prior to the commencement of the meeting</i></p> <p>Six members of the public attended the meeting and several expressed their views about the traffic calming scheme for the village proposed by Cheshire West and Chester Council. The Chair explained the background to the scheme and outlined how the money can only be spent as originally designated. The Council also confirmed that it had requested different types of traffic calming to be used but the scheme was finalised by CWaC. The Council strongly encouraged all residents who object to the scheme to reply to the public consultation using the form provided by CWaC.</p>
4	PCSO Report	<p><u>ASB</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Male pretending to be a police officer and attending address <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Patrols sent out no search conducted. PCSO attended property and provided reassurance and ways to keep safe. • Male sighted running around in handcuffs. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Patrols sent out, male arrested • Male trying to get into property. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Patrols sent out, search made no trace. PCSO attended property and gave reassurance and description on Male. Patrol by PCSO / PCs to see if Male can be found and make enquires • Car scratched and damaged <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ No CCTV of the incident <p><u>THEFT</u> – None Reported <u>BURGLARY</u> – None Reported <u>VEHICLE / BICYCLE THEFT</u> – None Reported <u>PARKING / HIGHWAY DISRUPTION</u> – None Reported ** <u>SPEEDING</u> – None done over the festive period as PCSO involved in festive operations <u>GOING FORWARD</u></p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Due to new term, parking for school drop-offs and picks up will be looked at for MOULTON PRIMARY. Whilst at the same time, speed monitoring will be done on

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		Main Road and Barnside Way, which have been raised as concerns by residents.
5	Minutes	<p>Motion: To note the minutes and any supplementary documents of the MPC meeting on 13th December 2021 (circulated to members) as a correct record.</p> <p>Proposed by Cllr Jennings. Seconded by Cllr Boyle. Resolved with all in favour</p>
6	Financial Matters	<p>a) To consider the income & expenditure received to date b) To consider the financial reports for YTD</p> <p>Motion: To accept the financial reports as presented and approve payments Proposed by Cllr Bush. Seconded by Cllr LeBreuilly. Resolved with all in favour.</p> <p>c) Approve Finance Committee recommendations and set Parish Precept at the agreed figure, with the proposed budget</p> <p>The budget was reviewed and agreed, including the recommendation to have an ear marked reserve of £49,500 carried forward for car park maintenance and re-surfacing. It was noted that the precept is to be increased but this will be the first time an increase has been requested in 3-years; the resulting increase in Band D Council Tax will be £4.79 per annum. The precept is to be set at £45,500 for the 2022/23 year.</p> <p>Motion: To accept the Finance Committee Recommendations and set the Parish Precept at the agreed amount. Proposed by Cllr Harding. Seconded by Cllr Boyle. Resolved with all in favour.</p>
7	Planning	<p>a) To note planning applications received since 13th December 2021</p> <p>None received</p>
8	Maintenance of Moulton Green Spaces	<p>a) To discuss the proposed work to be carried out on the path between School Lane and Honeyvale Gardens</p> <p>A quote has been received for £1667.50 (+ VAT) for maintenance of the path. Two additional quotes will also be sourced in accordance with the MPC Financial Regulations.</p> <p>Motion: To accept the quote provided for the path maintenance This motion was deferred to the next meeting pending additional quotes.</p> <p>b) To provide an update regarding the installation of Wi-Fi on the playing field</p> <p>This is to be further investigated by Cllr Harding.</p> <p>c) To provide an update regarding the playing field car park and the drain survey carried out</p> <p>There was a discussion about the initial findings of the survey, which indicated that the car-park needs re-surfacing in two areas. Quotes will be sought for the work, but this work is likely to be deferred pending the development of Regent Street Backs. The work cleaning the gullies on the car park and play area will be an agenda item in the February meeting.</p>
9	Clerk's Report & Correspondence	<p>The Clerk's Report and correspondence was circulated to all Councillors as part of the meeting pack. It is available to view on the MPC website: Documents\Meeting Minutes\Moulton Parish Council\2022\2022-01 Meeting Pack (published) (pages 31-45).</p> <p>The report can also be obtained by contacting the Clerk as follows: clerk@moultonpc.org.uk or by tel. (07908 031367)</p> <p>The discussions/actions generated were:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • To investigate and confirm the removal of the laurel hedge on MPF • To chase up the recommendations (and quotes) for the wet-pour repairs on MPF • Any necessary electrical works are to be confirmed at MPF and alternative quotes sourced if required. <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ◦ A programme of inspections to be established

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10	Chair's Report	<p>Cllr Capstick provided the following report after the meeting: Our first council meeting for 2022 and I hope you had a lovely Christmas break & Happy New Year.</p> <p>Following the large number of comments on social media recently, I would like to take this opportunity to explain that late last year, CWaC invited Moulton Parish Council and our Ward councillors to a virtual meeting to discuss CWaC's proposed speed calming measures for the village; this being paid for by S106 money received from developers. The Parish Council did manage to get some amendments to CWaC's original plans but our request for speed pillows at major junctions and softer measures were deemed too expensive! CWaC's plan has now gone out for public consultation and I would encourage the community to respond.</p> <p>2022 will see the return of Councillor Surgery's; each month using a different venue, with the first being on the 30th January in the Crow's Nest Café. From April we will also see the return of the Community Grants available to community organisations doing something for the whole community. And hopefully, we will soon see movement on the project to develop Regent Street Backs – the community will of course be kept informed.</p> <p>I look forward to an interesting year and hope that Covid doesn't disrupt us.</p>	
11	Subcommittee Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Finance Committee A Finance Committee meeting was held on 6th Jan, when the budget and precept for 2022-23 were discussed. The recommendations from this meeting were presented in section 6 (Financial Matters). • Environmental Working Group A meeting of the EWG was held on 14th Dec. The recommendations of the group are to be placed as an agenda item for the council meeting in Feb. The EWG was asked to prepare a statement on the Traffic Calming proposal. 	
12	Councillor Reports	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr Boyle There are a large number of potholes on Regent street and Barlow Lane; these should be reported through the CWaC "Report It" portal and the report ID numbers sent to the Clerk for tracking. The defib pads on the unit at MPF will need replacing before 28th Feb. • Cllr Bush Residents continue to raise concerns about parking; its now extending up Barlow Road onto Weaver Road by the flats. It is advised to report these to the PCSO via the 101 number and the website. Cllr Bush thanked the handy-person for moving the seed bank as requested and commented on the continuing popularity of Weaver Road play area. • Cllr Harding The gardening contract expires at the end of March; Cllrs Jennings and Harding will prepare a new tender document. Information from the MADCA website (no longer running) will be included in the new MPC website. The new fruit trees at Weaver Road will be planted in Feb. • Cllr Jennings Youths are continuing to get into the Regent Street Backs area despite the fencing – this will be reported to Jigsaw. • Cllr Kershaw Asked for an update about moving FP9. Cllr Weltman (CWA) commented that the PROW office was previously not taking on new projects (due to the pandemic) but this will be followed up. Cllr Kershaw will apply for a community grant from Veolia to buy 2x raised beds (cost of £800) for MPF. The Christmas lights will be kept by Cllr Kershaw for use this year, but they will need adding to the Council's asset register. • Cllr Marr Commented on the number of concerned comments he has received about the proposed traffic calming scheme and encouraged residents to respond directly to CWaC. Suggested promoting the Police & Crime Commissioners report on the MPC website. 	
13	Data Protection	No new requests have been received.	
14	AOB	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Making the new MPC website live • Dog poo-bag receptacles should be prioritised this month • Is there any update on the Miller Homes development? 	
15	Next Meetings	Moulton Parish Council	Monday 14 th February 2022 at 7.30pm in Moulton School
		Finance Committee	Thursday 7 th April 2022 at 7.30pm in Moulton School

The meeting ended at 9.15pm.

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