

# **MOBBERLEY PARISH COUNCIL**

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Minutes of meeting 1<sup>st</sup> November 2021 held at the Rajar Building, 7pm.

## **Present:**

Chair: Hannah Moss

Councillors: Viv Pike, Joshua Gow, Anne Holloway, Sally Kendall, Heidi Gilks, Janet Cookson, Sue Bellamy, David Swan (arrived at 7.40pm), Karen Baker (arrived at 8pm).

Also present: Cllr Charlotte Leach (Cheshire East)

## **Public Forum.**

0 members of the public were present.

1. **Apologies:** John Unterhalter, David Brush, Emma Darroch (PCSO)

2. **Declarations of Interest:** None.

3. **Minutes:**

Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 4<sup>th</sup> October 2021 be approved and signed as a true and accurate record.

4. **Councillor Co-option**

The new councillors were welcomed and a discussion took place about the committees that they would join. It was agreed that Cllr Bellamy and Cllr Cookson would join the planning committee, Cllr Brush would join the finance committee and Cllr Baker would join the village amenities and village pride committees for the remainder of financial year.

5. **Public participation:** None.

6. **Report from Representatives of Outside Bodies:**

Cheshire East Ward Councillor, Cllr Leach discussed the issues that had been raised recently about the flooding and the Winter Gritting. Particular issues of concern for winter gritting should be continually reported to Cheshire East as they can do certain roads on an ad hoc basis. It was agreed to put a piece in the newsletter to request residents to report, via the Cheshire East portal, incidents of winter gritting issues.

Cllr Leach gave an update about the Broadoak work.

There was no update regarding the Hall Lane fence but Cllr Leach will provide an update as soon as possible.

The school crossing was discussed, Cllr Leach will arrange for the residents who started the petition to speak at the Cheshire East Highways committee.

Cllr Leach left the meeting at 7.50pm.

PCSO Emma Darroch was not present at the meeting but reported that there had been one burglary

that occurred on 31/10/2021 whereby an Audi A3 was taken along with some currency.  
A burglary reported on Small Lane on 11/10, although it had occurred earlier in the year.  
A burglary on Burleyhurst Lane in an outbuilding, tools were taken.

Manchester Airport Representative. The change of airspace is a seven-stage approach, we are now in stage two. Cllr Kendall and Cllr Moss are going to attend consultation events.  
Cllr Holloway and the Clerk have put in a grant application for the village benches to the Manchester Airport Community Trust Fund.

Victory Hall, TDC. The surveyor carried out the rental valuation on 1<sup>st</sup> November. No other update.

Youth Council. It was agreed that Cllr Cookson would be the youth council liaison.

#### **7. Correspondence**

Follow up from last month – the clerk has let the resident who is setting up a Mobberley Football Club Under 14 team know that they can put a promotional banner up for one month only.  
The Clerk has sent correspondence to the brewery regarding the maintenance at the Bird in Hand.  
The Clerk has sent a letter to Cheshire East Council giving the Parish Council support to the residents who have requested a crossing be put in near the primary school.  
A padlock and chain have been ordered and installed for the gate for the field by Rajar Cottages.  
A resident has reported the trees on the land at the start of Ilford Way be cut back because they are hiding the street lighting. The Clerk has raised this with the owners of the land.  
The Clerk has reported to the Environment Agency the foul smell coming from Mobberley Brook.  
The Clerk has raised the issue of the HGV rest stop on Knutsford Road with Cheshire East and requested a sign be put in the layby reiterating its use.  
The Clerk has written to the pharmacy following complaints about the new night light outside the premises. The pharmacy have written back confirming they have now put the light on a timer which is inline with the Co-Op opening hours.

#### **8. Neighbourhood Plan.**

It was agreed that a working group would be put together to start work on the Neighbourhood Plan. Cllr Gow agreed to head the working group, Cllr Pike, Cllr Baker, Cllr Gilks, Cllr Unterhalter would be part of the group. The Clerk will organise a first meeting with the group, date to be confirmed.

#### **9. Finance**

The finance report for October was approved by full council. The bank reconciliation was approved and signed as a true and accurate record. The payments for approval were approved and signed.  
A pay rise for the clerk to SCP24 on the NJC pay scale was agreed, commencing in April 2022.  
Full council approved the budget for 2022 / 23 which was prepared by the RFO and discussed at the October finance committee.  
Full council agreed to request a precept of £42,000 for the 2022 / 23 financial year.

#### **10. Planning Committee**

7 planning applications were considered at the committee meeting on the 21<sup>st</sup> October.  
4 – no objection.  
3 – objection. Details are available.

#### **11. Rajar Committee**

All the risk assessments and fire alarm checks are all up to date. A tamper proof casing has been fitted to the heating thermostat outside the kitchen. A meeting has been booked in with a potential tenant for the main room at the Rajar.

**12. Village Pride Committee**

The Christmas tree is to go up 1<sup>st</sup> December. All volunteers welcome to decorate the tree. Harman have confirmed sponsorship for the Beech Hill tree.

A Christmas lights competition is going to be organised with the three residents who won last year being asked to be the judges.

The Harman station photo competition has been finalised with the winners' photos to go up at the station once Harman have completed the framing.

Ideas for the Jubilee celebrations were requested.

**13. Village Amenities Committee**

A community vegetable garden at the side of the Rajar was discussed.

An enquiry will be sent to Highways about spreading wildflower seeds on the verge at the edge of Knutsford Road.

It was discussed whether the Explorer Scouts could plant Christmas trees on the Community Meadow and agreed that if they would like to do this Cllr Swan would assist.

Cllr Swan is going to request quotes for the willow removal on the Meadow.

Feedback has been received from residents regarding the state of the pavements. Cllr Holloway has requested views from residents about walking around the village and the state of the pavements has been a particular concern. The pavements that are particularly bad are going to be reported to Cheshire East. The Town Lane Service Road, Newton Hall Lane, Pavement Lane are all in such a bad state it is putting residents off using them.

**14. Clerk's Report**

The clerk provided an update on the 2022 Mobberley Calendar. The calendar has been put together and sent to the printers with the winning entries of the competition featuring on the calendar pages.

The calendar will go on sale at the Co-Op for £5 with profits going to Mind. The parish council would like to thank all those who entered the competition.

**15. Member's Report**

Nil.

Meeting closed at 9.15 pm

Date of next Meetings: [Monday 6<sup>th</sup> December at 7pm.](#)