

MOBBERLEY PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of the Parish Council meeting 4th March 2024 held at the Rajar Building, 7pm.

Present:

Chair: Hannah Moss

Councillors: Karen Baker, Jackie Jones, Anne Holloway, Sally Thomas, David Brush, Viv Pike. David Swan arrived at 7.20pm.

Clerk: Kate Marsh

Also present:

Public Forum.

4 members of the public were present.

1. **Apologies:** Cllr Bellamy.
2. **Declarations of Interest:** None.
3. **Minutes:** Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 5th February 2024 be approved and signed as a true and accurate record.
4. **Public participation:** One member of the public was present to discuss some issues relating to flooding on the highway. Particular gullies causing an issue are on Newton Hall Lane. Cllr Moss has arranged for these to be cleared. The resident queried whether there is a way for Cheshire East to reprioritise gullies that are under trees so that they are cleared more frequently. Cllr Moss explained that looking at the road as a whole and re-categorising this would be a more realistic approach. Nothing will be done on this section of the highway until the development building work has been completed.
A presentation was given from three members of the Wilmslow Neighbourhood Plan Implementation Group to introduce the Lindow Moss Landscape and the Lindow Moss Landscape Partnership. A liaison committee is to be formed and requires a member from Mobberley to join it. Cllrs Pike and Swan agreed to be the Mobberley representatives.

5. Report from Representatives of Outside Bodies:

Cheshire East Ward Councillor, Cllr Moss, provided the following update: A query has been raised regarding making Mill Lane one-way. Cllr Moss is making enquiries about this and provide an update when further information is available.

Work on the speed reduction on Faulkners Lane has been submitted and it has been confirmed that Faulkners Lane meets the criteria for the review.

Double the number of potholes have been reported this year on last year.

Work is underway to implement the Mobberley Primary School road safety scheme. This will involve a 20mph section, yellow chevrons and a safety zone.

PCSO Caitlin Clark was not present at the meeting. Cllr Pike provided an update on the Community Speedwatch. The rules have changed since the Mobberley group was initially setup. PCSO Clark is going to update Cllr Pike when there is further information about whether a PCSO needs to be present every time the volunteers go out on the highway.

Manchester Airport Representative. No update.

Victory Hall, TDC. A meeting has taken place to discuss the kitchen refurbishment plans. Tenders are to be sent out to get quotes for the work. The timeframe for doing the work is tight as this can only be carried out over the summer period when pre-school is on holiday. The next TDC meeting will take place on the 19th March. There has been no progress on the lease. The Memorial Club AGM will take place on the 17th March.

Youth Consultation. No update.

Friends of Mobberley Station – The Cheshire Best Kept Station Awards are to be held on 12th March. Cllrs Jones and Bellamy are going to attend. The first station tidy up of the year will take place on the 16th March.

6. Correspondence

None.

7. Cheshire East Asset Transfer of Garage Sites

A report has been prepared for approval and this is currently with the Cheshire East decision maker for sign-off. The Clerk will continue to chase weekly.

8. Neighbourhood Plan.

Regulation 14 is going ahead from 18th March to 3rd May. A public drop-in session is to take place on the 22nd April at the Rajar Building between 6pm and 7pm.

9. Review of Committee Structure

The current committee structure was reviewed with the following changes to be implemented after the Annual Parish Council meeting in May. It was agreed that a nominated councillor, with a back-up, would work with the Clerk on the Rajar Building, finance, highways, footpaths and litter picking. Reports from each representative will be sent out with the full council agenda. Village events and Planning will continue to run as committees. If there are fewer than 5 planning applications the planning meeting will take place prior to the full council meeting at 6.30pm with the full council meeting starting at 7pm.

10. Feedback regarding making the newsletter digital.

The majority of the feedback that has been received is in favour of keeping the printed newsletter. It was agreed that a push would be given to finding more advertisers to help with the newsletter funding.

11. Hall Bank

Following the meeting with the Hall Bank residents, it has been agreed that the work is going to go ahead with a number of the residents funding the shortfall.

12. Field Side Close Trees

The clerk will submit a further planning application for the work on the trees under a TPO. The trees will be crown lifted with a 3.75 metre reduction.

13. 2024 Annual Parish Meeting

It was suggested that the Lindow Moss Landscape Partnership will be approached to speak at the Annual Parish Meeting.

14. Victory Hall Gardening Arrangements

Cllr Swan has discussed the work specification with the current gardener. Cllr Swan will discuss this with some local contractors and Cllr Pike will ask the TDC whether they know of anybody. A piece will also be put in the newsletter and on the Facebook Page.

15. Affinity Lottery

It was agreed that feedback would be asked for from the bingo group and at the pie and pint night to try and gauge numbers who would play regularly.

16. Finance

The finance report for February 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. It was agreed that the recently received CIL monies would be consulted on with a piece in the newsletter. Residents will be given four choices to spend the money on: the community meadow path, traffic calming options, playground improvements, village enhancements.

17. Planning Committee

4 planning applications were considered at the committee meeting on the 19th February 2024.
3 no objections.
0 objection.
1 application had been determined by Cheshire East prior to the meeting.

18. Rajar Committee

The electric vehicle charge point is still ongoing.
The current BT contract is due for renewal. This has been offered at a discounted rate to sign up for another 24 months. It was agreed to keep the current setup and sign up for another 24-month period.
The request by a tenant for a washing machine to be installed in the kitchen was declined by a unanimous vote.

19. Village Events Committee

Pie and pint night is taking place at the Victory Hall Club on 7th March at 7pm.

20. Village Amenities Committee

A resident has complained about the difficulty of crossing many of the stiles in the village. Litter picking has taken place on the Community Meadow. Willow has been cutback on the Community Meadow and used to make wreaths to fund the senior citizen's trip to Llandudno. The planning application for the accessible path on the Community Meadow has been submitted. Cllr Swan and the Clerk will write an update on this for the newsletter.

21. Clerk's Report

Following the Clerk's annual review, it was agreed that the clerk's salary would increase in line with the increase applied by the NJC to pay scale 24. This will be applied from April 2024. The annual playground inspection report was noted and this will be reviewed. The regular playground inspection report was noted. It was agreed that the Facebook streaming idea would be added to the April agenda.

22. Member's Report

Nil.

Meeting closed at 9.18 pm

Date of next Meeting: [Tuesday 2nd April 2024 at 7pm.](#)