

MOBBERLEY PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of meeting 6th September 2021 held at the Rajar Building, 7pm.

Present:

Chair: Hannah Moss

Councillors: Sally Kendall, David Swan, John Unterhalter, Viv Pike, Joshua Gow, Heidi Gilks.

Also present: Charlotte Leach (Cllr. Cheshire East), Emma Darroch (PCSO)

Public Forum.

3 members of the public was present.

1. **Apologies:** Cllr Holloway
2. **Declarations of Interest:** None.
3. **Minutes:**
Resolved that the minutes of the meeting held on 5th July 2021 be approved and signed as a true and accurate record.
4. **Public participation:** 3 members of the public were present. One member of the public discussed a piece of land which has a lot of history in the area. A planning application has been submitted on the land in order to keep a lapsed planning application valid. A variation was submitted which was objected to by a number of Mobberley residents. Two neighbours of the land spoke about the impact that the land sale will have on them. The Council were asked what they would like to see happen to the land. The Chairman stated that the Council would take this forward as an item for their next meeting.
5. **Report from Knutsford Community Police:** The PCSO attended the meeting. There were no burglaries to report and no thefts of motor vehicles or from motor vehicles. An article in the newsletter regarding whether anyone wants a Rural Watch sign is going to be drafted for October. A note will also go in the newsletter about volunteers for the speed watch. Cllr. Leach raised the issue of illegal dog breeding that had been reported in the area. A noise complaint has been raised with Cheshire East. Cllr. Leach will keep the Council updated on this matter. The PCSO will also look into this. The PCSO left the meeting at 7.40pm.
6. **Report from Cheshire East Council, Cllr. Leach:** Cllr Leach put forward the idea of putting in a request for amendments to the Moss Lane planning application. The date for the Inquiry at Broadoak is imminent. A site in Middlewich has been approved for traveller provision within Cheshire East. Nothing further to update. A noise complaint has been raised regarding the Harman site and the fans used for their cooling procedures. A meeting is planned with Cllr. Gow, Cllr. Leach and Harman to discuss a solution. Cllr. Leach updated the council about the planning matter at Saltersley Hall. This has been

called in to the planning committee and the call-in has been accepted.
Cllr Leach left the meeting at 8pm.

7. Cheshire East Asset Transfer of Garage Sites at Townfield Road, Tatton Stile and Oldfield Road.

Oldfield Road garages have now been added to the asset transfer site list. The Parish Council are waiting for a further update from Cheshire East as to when the Council will need to instruct a solicitor.

8. Councillor Resignation and Co-option.

Since the last full council meeting David Elves has resigned from the Parish Council. All councillors reiterated their appreciation for his hard work during his time at the Council. The vacancy notice has been published and Cheshire East have confirmed that co-option can take place.

9. Conclusion of Audit for Year Ended 31st March 2021.

The external audit report has been received and was circulated prior to the meeting. All recommendations will be actioned. The notice of the conclusion of the audit has been posted on the website and noticeboards.

10. Committee Structure Report and Committee Terms of Reference.

The report advising of the new committee structure was circulated prior to the meeting and it was agreed that an additional committee would be added to encompass the purchase of the garage sites. This was agreed and voted unanimously. The committee terms of reference were circulated prior to the meeting.

11. Three Year Strategy.

The first draft of this report was circulated prior to the meeting. A discussion took place about the contents of the report. Any project suggestions and budgeting requirements are to be emailed to the Clerk in time for the October meeting.

12. Correspondence:

Correspondence has been received regarding the process and procedure of the asset transfer of the garage sites. The Clerk will keep all parties updated as further information comes in.

13. Finance:

The finance report for August 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.

Full council approved the use of the earmarked funds that had been set aside for the Rajar timed lighting in the main areas to be used for the cost of the boiler that was purchased in January 2021.

Committee Reports

14.1. Planning, Cllr. Unterhalter: 8 planning applications were considered on the 18th August.

No objection – 4

Objections – 4, details available.

14.2. Highways/Amenities/Hedges, Cllr.Holloway:

Correspondence has been received regarding cars parking on double yellow lines on Mill Lane. This has been passed to the PCSO for investigation.

The National Lottery grant application for the benches was declined due to not enough

community participation in the application. Cllr Holloway is going to draft a survey for residents who will benefit from the benches.

14.3. Victory Hall TDC, Cllr. Moss:

A valuation of the rental income for the Memorial Club has been commissioned, this will form part of the submission to the Charity Commission to gain charity status. It had previously been agreed by full council to approve the cost of £450-500 for the solicitor to produce the valuation. Cllr. Swan reported the strip behind the Victory Hall, up to Gorse Brow, being over-grown with brambles etc.

14.4. Community Meadow, Cllr. Swan:

Nothing to update.

14.5. Footpaths, Cllr. Swan:

Nothing to update.

14.6 Village Pride/Events, Cllr. Kendall:

Cllr. Kendall gave an update on the volunteers at the railway station. Mid-Cheshire Railway Users Association have a budget for any projects at the station. A meeting has been arranged to coordinate the work. Harman are providing the prints for the photo competition to display at the station.

Harman are to sponsor one the Christmas trees for the village this year.

Full council agreed to install another outside socket on the Rajar for the Christmas tree lights.

Cllr. Kendall requested for the Clerk to purchase another flag for the flagpole.

14.7. Rajar Building, Cllr. Gilks:

Bookings have started back in the main room. The main door is now unlocked from 9-5pm, at other times the door can be accessed with a key or with the code. The fire alarm has been serviced. A weekly fire alarm check will take place on a Monday morning.

14.8. Public Transport / Manchester Airport, Cllr. Kendall:

Cllr. Kendall reported back from a meeting at Manchester Airport. They are still only running at 25% capacity.

14.9 Cheshire Resilience Plan, Cllr. Gow:

Nothing to report. Contact names need updating when new councillors are co-opted.

14.10. Police Liaison, Cllr. Moss:

Nothing to update.

14.11. Newsletter/Website, Cllr Moss, Cllr. Gow:

The new website is working well, the Clerk is updating it with agendas, minutes and relevant news items. The September newsletter is to be distributed this week.

14.12. Neighbourhood Plan:

Cllr. Gow will takeover the process from David Elves.

14.13 Broad Oak Lane, Cllr. Gilks:

The Appeal is expected to be at the end of the year. All forms have been submitted to the inspectorate.

15. Clerk's Report

The Clerk queried whether all members were now using their MPC email addresses. Cllr Gow is going to provide technical support for any councillors who are still not setup.

16. Member's Report

Cllr Swan raised the issue of the Bird in Hand and asked the Clerk to write to the brewery to query whether they can mow the grass and do some general maintenance.

Meeting closed at 9.25pm

Date of next Meetings: [Monday 4th October.](#)