

MOBBERLEY PARISH COUNCIL



Minutes of extraordinary meeting 24th February 2022, held via Zoom, 7pm.

Present:

Chair: Hannah Moss

Councillors: Sally Kendall, David Swan, Viv Pike, Joshua Gow, Heidi Gilks, Anne Holloway, Karen Baker, David Brush, Sue Bellamy.

1. **Apologies:** John Unterhalter, Janet Cookson.
2. **Declarations of Interest:** None
3. **Three Garage Sites:** A discussion took place about the transfer of the garage sites at Townfield Road, Oldfield Road and Tatton Stile. Cllr Gilks reiterated that Cheshire East would be issuing a long lease to the Parish Council. All the conditions would be passed to the tenants.

Questions for Cheshire East:

- What was the result of the recent asbestos survey that was carried out? Has any action been taken as a consequence of the survey?
- How many garages are there and how many garages do Cheshire East currently receive rent from?
- The Parish Council would like to see the details of the original tenancy agreements.
- The Parish Council would like a 'get out' clause to be written into the contract with Cheshire East.

Concerns that councillors have regarding the asset transfer:

- What are the implications to the Parish Council of letting buildings that are unsafe structurally and potentially with asbestos?
- There are concerns of any potential financial implications to the Parish Council in regard to paying for contracts and public liability insurance. Cllr Gilks confirmed that any costs associated would be handed back to the tenants. This needs to be reiterated to any interested parties. Cllr Gilks confirmed that she would be speaking to the head of the residents' group to confirm that they are happy to take on all the financial responsibilities and terms. as per Cheshire East potential lease
- There is concern of the administrative costs to the Parish Council.
- Concern was raised about this being a lot of work carried out for a minority of the village.
- Would the Parish Council have any powers to enforce tenants to take the remedial action needed for the garages?

It was agreed that Cllr Gilks and the Clerk would put together a list of questions to raise with Cheshire East and the residents that are interested in renting a garage and put a plan together to present to the Parish Council to vote on whether to take the project forward.

Meeting closed at 8.25 pm