



**Minutes of the Meeting of Brereton Parish Council
held on Monday September 6, 2021, at Brereton Primary School**

1. Members Present: Councillors Clews, Fern, Matusiak (Chair), Morphet, Wray (Cheshire East)

Apologies: Councillors Bourne, Lindsay

Members of Public: 1

2. Declarations of Interest

None

3. Public Forum

A member of the public reported overhanging trees outside the Bears Head and opposite School Lane. He also questioned the history of the hedging on the junction of the A50 and Back Lane stating it should be railings not hedging. The precarious condition of the carriageway on the approach to the railway bridge on Back Lane was reported.

4. Council Minutes

It was resolved **(0921/01)** for Councillor Matusiak, as Chair of the meeting, to sign the minutes of August 9, 2021, presented by the Clerk, as a true and correct record of the meeting.

5. Matters Arising

- It was noted that the Police 'yellow' van had been positioned on the A50 on September 1. The Clerk ask PCSO Holt for any data.
- Fly tipping at Brereton Heath has been reported to Ansa.
- Correspondence from the public regarding fly tipping, joining the speed watch team and thanks for the council's support on a planning application has been received and replied to.
- Councillor Lindsay has received and acknowledged Councillor Elves resignation and the Clerk has advertised the Casual Vacancy.
- The Covid guidance signs on the parish footpaths are gradually being removed and it was resolved **(0921/02)** for Councillor Matusiak to source general footpath advice signs through the National Farmers Union to replace them with.
- Approval for the quote to relocate the defibrillator on the school premises to a more accessible site has been given the go ahead for school to organize as soon as possible.
- A contact the council/suggestion box for council web site has been requested from the web site manager.
- The Clerk will organise the purchase of planters to be sited at the WWI memorial, Mr. and Mrs. Elves have still offered to maintain them.
- The Clerk has publicised on social media the Tour of Britain cycle race that is passing through the parish on September 9.
- The Queen's Platinum Jubilee was discussed, and it was resolved **(0921/03)** for the council to engage with the school, church, and community group to facilitate a collective celebration. Councillor Sample offered to represent the council. The Clerk will add to the Agenda for a future meeting if necessary.
- Correspondence received from Cheshire East include: Cheshire East Bus Service Improvement Plan, Town & Parish Councils Engagement, Councillor Morphet offered to review; SMASH Care Community and Connected Community Partnerships; Council to launch consultation on community governance - News from Cheshire East, to be added to the next agenda.
- Councillors Bourne, Charlesworth and the Clerk are to meet with Bloor Homes on September 23 having first had a pre meeting with Holmes Chapel Parish Council to discuss the refusal of 18/4921c detailed below.
- It was noted that the Cow Shed enterprise at Brereton Heath is expanding and Councillors once again questioned whether planning permission was needed, added to which, the safety of the entrance was discussed, being directly opposite the nature reserve. Councillor Matusiak offered to make enquiries and extend an invitation to attend a parish council meeting.

6. Finance

6.1 Bank Reconciliation - it was resolved (**0921/04**) to receive the months bank reconciliation together with the expenditure against budget, as presented by The Clerk.

6.2 Schedule of Payments – Councillors, having already received the schedule of payments, resolved (**0921/05**) for the Clerk to make the payments, as detailed below, on behalf of the Parish Council:

Mrs R Middleweek (August salary)					521.26
Cheshire Pension Fund August					155.01
Office Rental					156
SLCC Conference					30
Clerk's Expenses					<u>296.99</u>
				Total	£1,159.26

7. Highways

- It has been requested to extend the zig zag lines outside of the primary school to include the length of the pre-school, in the meantime the school caretaker will put out some bollards to keep the area clear.
- Gutters and weeding need to take place on St Oswald's Crescent.
- Potholes on School Lane were reported.
- The street naming sign on St Oswald's Crescent needs replacing.
- It was noted that the grounds maintenance team are due to attend to the school hedges soon but had been delayed due to Covid restrictions.
- Councillor Matusiak updated the meeting on the recent road accident that happened on the A54 and the ensuing chaos on the local road network. The Clerk will forward the information to PCSO Holt.
- Councillor Lindsay has submitted the Highways funding request to Councillor Wray for provision of a verge 'gateway' on the approach to School Lane from Moorhead Lane. The paperwork has been received and acknowledged by Cheshire East Highways.

8. Planning Decisions

18/4921c Land off London Road, Bluebell Green – Refused
21/2358c Willow House CW12 4SZ – Approved with conditions
21/0844c Land at Dunkirk CW4 8AX - Refused

9. Road Safety Working Group

The working party have met and prioritised costs versus the benefits on the wish list of 16 priorities. The group are due to meet again on September 15. It was noted that one of the priorities is the gateway on School Lane as mentioned earlier.

10. Reports

10.1 Ward Councillor's Report – Councillor Wray informed the meeting about Cheshire East's Community Governance Review and updated Councillors about the funding request to provide a verge 'gateway' on the approach to School Lane from Moorhead Lane.

10.2 Chair's Report – nothing further to report.

11. Date of Next Meeting – Monday October 11, 2021, at 7:30 pm at Brereton Primary School. The meeting closed at 20:51.

Signed:
Councillor Andrew Lindsay, Chair
Brereton Parish Council

Date:

Councillor's Action Points:

Item 5 The Covid guidance signs on the parish footpaths are gradually being removed and it was resolved **(0921/02)** for **Councillor Matusiak** to source general footpath advice signs through the National Farmers Union to replace them with.

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