



**CHURCH  
LAWTON**  
Parish Council

**MINUTES OF THE COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON  
WEDNESDAY 7<sup>th</sup> OCTOBER 2020, 7:30pm, USING ZOOM**

**Present:**

CLLrs: N Harper; L Mackinnon; Cllr Hicks; Cllr Woodhead-Coates

The meeting started at 7:30pm

Cllr Harper, who chaired in the absence of Cllr Young, opened the meeting.

**20-21/50 To Receive apologies for absence**

Apologies of absence were received from Cllr Mitchell, Cllr Armstrong and the Clerk.

**20-21/51 To receive the resignation of Cllr Young.**

Cllr Harper informed the Council of the verbal resignation of Cllr Young but that the necessary written confirmation hadn't yet been received as required by legislation.

**20-21/52 Public participation.**

Two residents were present who spoke to the Council and voiced their concerns regarding planning application at 53, Liverpool Road.

**20-21/53 To receive any declaration of interests regarding agenda items.**

None

**20-21/54 To approve the minutes of the meeting held on Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August 2020**

**Resolved:** The minutes of the meeting of Wednesday 26<sup>th</sup> August were approved as a correct record by all present.

**20-21/55 To receive and note the minutes of the Planning Committee held on the 23<sup>rd</sup> June 2020.**

Deferred

**20-21/56 To receive Matters from the Cheshire East representative present.**

Cllr Wardlaw reported that the repainting of the black and white lines on the kerb at Red Bull Lights has now been completed.

**20-21/57 Finance**

**a) To receive an update on the bank mandate changes**

Cllr Harper asked all councillors to send their address for the last five years, their date of birth and full name to the Clerk so that she can progress the bank mandate with Unity Bank. It was also noted that the Clerk should add one further councillor to the Bankline mandate so that the account can remain operational.

**b) To note receipts since the last meeting**

Deferred

**c) To approve payments required**

Deferred

**d) To receive and end of quarter 2 report from the RFO and to agree any virements.**

Deferred

**20-21/58 To receive the revised financial regulations and to agree, or otherwise, to approve.**

Deferred

**20-21/59 To receive quotes for the use of a lengthsman/community warden, to resolve to agree the frequency and supplier.**

It was agreed to use trial the service offered by Congleton Town Council in the first instance. It was further resolved that the planters on the one-way street (Liverpool Road) should be rejuvenated.

**20-21/60 To consider and resolve to agree, or otherwise, a grant application received from Lawton Memorial Hall.**

Deferred because the Memorial Hall have not yet returned the grant application for consideration.

**20-21/61 To consider and agree or otherwise:**

**a) A donation to All Saints Harvest Festival on the 11<sup>th</sup> October.**

It was resolved to spend £50 to reflect increased pressure on foodbanks. It was agreed that Cllr Woodhead-Coates purchase items and submit a receipt to the Clerk for reimbursement. It was further agreed that Cllr Woodhead-Coates take the items with a note to the church.

**b) A donation to the British Legion for the supply of a poppy wreath.**

It was resolved to make a donation to the British Legion but to recycle the wreath if possible.

**20-21/62 To provide feedback to Cllr Wardlaw regarding the Well-Managed Infrastructure Winter Service and to agree a Parish Council response.**

The gritting of the road to Church Lawton school was seen as a priority. Cllr Wardlaw requested that councillors pass on any resident comments about empty grit bins on side roads. There was no further official feedback to the consultation agreed.

**20-21/63 To consider the Cheshire East active travel consultation and to agree, or otherwise, any response from Church Lawton Parish Council.**

Cllr Hicks raised resident comments made to him regarding Cherry Lane which was felt to be a priority area for consideration in any safety schemes. Cllr Wardlaw noted more residents' views would be beneficial and that the matter could be raised in the future.

**20-21/64 To receive planning matters – to be circulated.**

20/4078C - 53 Liverpool Rd West, Erection of a detached dwelling on land to the rear of 53 Liverpool Road West, Church Lawton.

Resolved to object on (1) Proximity of current properties to the proposed development and (2) Not considered to be 'infill', but 'development in garden'.

20/4296C – Brown Avenue, Ground floor extensions to side & rear plus one half storey attic extension

The Council resolved that it had no objection to this application.

20/4313C - Alsager Court –The demolition of an existing care home and the erection of thirteen dwellings and construction of an access drive.

As this application had only been received that day, a decision was deferred.

**20-21/65 To receive updates on the following:**

**a) Neighbourhood Plan**

It was reported that the next meeting will take place on the 14<sup>th</sup> October, 7:00pm, on Zoom.

**b) Speedwatch**

No update at present.

**c) Footpath working group**

No update at present.

**d) Barrows Working Party**

A meeting has been proposed for the 11<sup>th</sup> November, but invitations have not yet been circulated.

**e) Community Group**

No update at present.

**20-21/66 To receive and agree an updated schedule of meetings.**

The following dates were agreed:

Staffing: Wednesday, 14<sup>th</sup> October 6:30pm

Neighbourhood Plan: Wednesday 14<sup>th</sup> October 7:00pm

Planning and a reduced agenda Full Council– Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October, 7:30pm

Full Council – Wednesday 11<sup>th</sup> November, 7:30pm

**20-21/67 To receive any reports and matters from members or the Clerk.**

Cllr Harper updated members on his imminent house move.

**20-21/68 Training/meetings and courses**

None

**20-21/69 Future Agenda Items**

No new items added.

**20-21/70 Date of next meeting: Wednesday 21<sup>st</sup> October 2020.**