

**MINUTES OF TABLEY PARISH COUNCIL BI-MONTHLY MEETING
HELD ON MONDAY 11th MARCH 2024 AT 7.30PM**

Present: Councillors (Chair), H. Gurney-Smith (HGS), S. Wharfe (SW), B. Hartley (BH), K. Newport (KN), D. Bailey (DB) N. Withenshaw (NW).

Also Present: Ms. S Booth (Parish Clerk)

1. Clerk to declare the meeting open at 7.30pm.

1.1 Cllrs were welcomed to the meeting.

2. Apologies:

2.1 Apologies for absence from the following Councillors were submitted.

2.1.1 A. Greenway (AG)

2.1.2 S. Carson (SC),

2.1.3 **Resolved:** Apologies received and accepted for this meeting.

3. Declarations of Interest: Cllrs are to declare if they hold any interest on any agenda items.

3.1 **Resolved:** No Cllr in attendance declared an interest on an agenda item.

4. Guest speakers: Guests have been invited to speak on behalf of local organizations.

4.1 Cheshire East Ward Councillor Report/updates: No attendance in person or remotely via the Teams

4.1.1 WC Kate Hague did not attend the meeting in person or remotely, the following report was provided.

- **Road Damage-Old Hall -23964349**

I again requested urgent action on this matter as the road has been left in a poor state from HGV traffic/ M6/j19 roundabout work. This matter will be continued to be chased again.

Member enquiry - Old Hall, Tabley Hill Lane 23964349

I am writing in response to your enquiry received 29 January 2024, regarding the above. Please see below the response to this enquiry, which has been provided by the service area: I have arranged for this section of road to be inspected by our local highway's inspector. A couple of defects have been identified as meeting our Code of Practice intervention levels and will be subsequently repaired.

If there are any further areas of concern, please report them via FixMyStreet and they will be assessed also. CE Highways

- **Lighting issues-Smoker Pub ,A556**

I requested urgent action regarding the light, which have not been working for a long time.

If the work is not completed by the indicated date, the matter will be chased again.

Member enquiry - Street lights A556 near the Smoker pub 23964050

I am writing in response to your enquiry received 29 January 2024, regarding the above. Please see below the response to this enquiry, which has been provided by Highways:

We are aware of the lighting issues near the Smoker Pub on A556. The reason a large proportion of lighting is out due to the work that was undertaken by National

Highways on Junction 19. During their work they disconnected some of the lighting. We are now in a position where we have assessed the work that is required to repair the lighting and we have a permit in place to undertake the required work week commencing 25.03.24. I would like to re-assure you that this will address the issues relating to the disconnection of the Cheshire East owned Street Lighting around Junction 19 and those connected to the same circuit.

- **Flooding, Moss Lane**

I have sent numerous emails and chased Highways on this matter. This is the latest email response from Highways. I am also reminding Highways that there may be riparian ownership, and what are they doing in terms on invoking this.

Member enquiry - Moss Lane, Tabley 23963251

I am writing in response to your enquiry received 29 January 2024, regarding the above. Please see below the response to this enquiry, which has been provided by the service area: Following a site visit from our Drainage team on 17th January 2024 we can advise that the flood water at this location was cleared from the lower section of carriageway. Once the floodwater had been cleared, the team investigated the drainage in this area and found that there is no highways drainage system in place. The drainage issues at this location have been present since 2009 and the water holding on the carriageway is due to the topography of the land surrounding Moss Lane and, as a result of this, water on the carriageway is regularly present at this location subsequently, this location will be assessed and scored based on risk and other contributory factors and placed on a future capital drainage improvement programme. All future works are assessed each year

against budgets which results in schemes being approved and included in the council's capital delivery programme for that year.

2. Actions to report to Cllr KH.

- **Lighting issues-Smoker Pub, A556:** For information, the Cllrs have said that there are two separate sets of lights out. The first set is heading from The Smoker Pub towards Junction 19 and in addition, both sides of the road the lights on Northwich Road to Junction 19 are not working.
- The Cllrs have noted that the damaged railings on the A556 opposite the Petrol station are still damaged, and it needs to be updated that there recently was a bad accident in the area. The Cllrs also discussed that because of the speed of cars leaving the roundabout onto the A556 it is dangerous to cyclists. Would CEC consider more signage asking 'cyclists to dismount' in this area?

4.2 Knutsford Police

4.2.1 **Resolved** that there was no report received for this meeting.

Cllrs reports.

4.2.2.1 The old petrol station has been refurbished and a new business has moved in.

4.2.2.2 The IBIS suffered vandalism and residents have complained that the lights are very bright.

4.3.1 Cheshire Showground:

4.3.1.1 The 2024 Show Ground Event Calendar was circulated.

5. Public Participation.

The public are invited to attend the forthcoming parish meeting. Parishioners can also send their questions in via the following email: clerk@tableyparishcouncil.co.uk. To ensure questions are addressed at the meeting and minuted, emails must be received three days before the scheduled meeting. A period of not more than 5 minutes will be made available to discuss the public's submitted comments.

5.1 **Resolved** that there were no MOPs in attendance.

6. Minutes of the previous meetings presented to the Council:

6.1 To consider the approval of the below set of minutes.

6.1.1 Bi-monthly meeting held on 08/01/23, [P85 to 87].

6.1.1.1 **Resolved** that the minutes were a true and accurate record.

6.1.1.2 **Proposed** by BH and **Second** by SW.

6.2 To discuss any matters arising from the above set of minutes.

6.2.1 **Resolved:** There were no matters arising.

7. Knutsford Town Council Cllr Hartley (Nether Ward) monthly report:

7.1 Monthly report from Cllr BH on relevant matters of concern for Tabley.

- Updates received on the Leisure and Health centre.
- Lots of ideas regarding the market were mentioned.
- Updates on business relocations and new businesses.
- Cllrs were updated that they can offer their input to a panel as to where the Section 106 could be distributed.
- Updates regarding Longridge and the Bluebell consultation is now open.

8. Actions & updates, Correspondence & Reports:

8.1 Actions & updates

8.1.1. Chaser email sent to CEC RP and Cllr Corcoran regarding the damaged railings on Chester Rd.

8.1.2 Chaser email sent to Knutsford TC requesting a copy of the minutes from the Knutsford Parish meeting.

8.1.3 Complaint letter received from parishioner regarding notes left on car windows on Holly Grove.

8.1.3.1 **Resolved** that the notice had not been posted by the Parish Council

8.1.4 Response to the enquiry via Cllr K Newport has received regarding the Parish magazine.

8.1.5 Hydrogen Pipeline update received.

9. Planning Applications:

9.1 To note there are no active planning applications at the time of publication of this agenda.

9.1.1 **24/0043M Freshfields, Budworth Road, Tabley, Cheshire, WA16 0HZ**

Erection of 1st floor extension incorporating render to all elevations and new vehicular access off Budworth Road.

Received: 09/01/24 Cllrs notified: 18/01/24

Resolved No comments to make for this application.

9.1.2 **24/0092M The Old Smithy, Tabley Hill Lane, Knutsford WA16 0EP**

Full planning application for the demolition of the existing building and redevelopment of the site to provide a replacement building for commercial (Use Class E) and electric vehicle charging facility, associated landscaping, and access. Received: 12/01/24 Cllrs notified: 18/01/24

Comments: Requested why is there a sign detailing that the development is already let.

10. Exclusion resolution.

10.1 The Chair RESOLVED that the members of the public in attendance, must now withdraw from the meeting as the public section had now concluded.

11. Finance.

11.1 Unity Trust Bank Accounts:

11.1.1 To note the current financial position in the Unity Trust bank accounts at the **31st January 2024.**

11.1.1.1 Unity Current Account T1 (20448354): Statements 38 & 39 **£1,888.09**

11.1.1.2 Instant Access Account (20448367): Statements 29 & 30 **£1,124.03**

11.2 To approve the following payments.

11.2.1 TPC/RA/88 - Clerks Salary Mth 11 & 12 – £266.67

Cheque 300045

11.2.2 TPC/RA/89 - HMRC Mth 11 & 12 – £66.67

Cheque 300046

12 .Allocation of CIL Funds

12.1 Council to agree on the distribution of CIL funds £181.05

Action: To be added to the next agenda.

13. Report from Cllrs and Items to be added to the next agenda:

13.1 Each Councillor is requested to use this opportunity to report minor matters of information not included elsewhere on the agenda and to raise items for future agendas.

13.1.1 There are new contractors that are working on Budworth Road to Pickmere Rd bridge. Once the weather is OK the job will be completed so footpath 8 should stay open.

13.1.2 Church Hill to Bottom Hill is blocked so there is no access as someone has installed a gate.

13.1.3 NW updated that **AG** would update on the DD celebrations proposed for June.

13.1.4 **KN** enquired why was there a fish on the Bowling Green?

14. The next meeting will be the Annual Public and Bimonthly meeting held on [Monday 13th May 2024 at 7pm](#)

The meeting closed at 9pm.

Chair Cllr H Gurney-Smith