

## Gawsworth Parish Council

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### Minutes

*of the council meeting held*

**Tuesday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2019**

**19/043 Present**

Cllrs Woods (*presiding*), Briercliffe, Briggs, Parry, Richards, Shepherd and Tyrrell.

A Keppel-Green (*Parish Clerk*)

**19/044 To receive apologies for absence**

All members were present.

**19/045 To note the declaration of members' interests**

No members declared an interest in any item under discussion.

**19/046 Public Participation**

A resident highlighted that the council's contact information in the Parish and Village News magazine required updating.

A resident highlighted the justification for housing at Broken Cross which referenced a 1.6km distance to services being acceptable.

A resident noted that the Dark Lane decision had still not been made and questioned when Cheshire East Council might decide to stop wasting money progressing the scheme given the substantial local opposition.

**19/047 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held June 11<sup>th</sup> 2019**

It was **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes subject to a typographical correction.

**19/048 To receive a report from Cheshire East Councillors**

Cllr Smetham reported that Engine of the North and the Skills and Growth Company, two of Cheshire East Council's arm's length companies were to be brought back in house. Cllr Smetham further reported that the committee meeting for the Dark Lane application was now not expected until at least September.

Cllr Puddicombe added that he and Cllr Jeuda were looking to meet with the

appropriate director to discuss the implication of the end of Engine of the North with respect the South Macclesfield Development Area.

**19/049 To receive reports of Parish Matters**

The pothole in the car park to the village hall was highlighted, the Clerk reported that a request to Tarmac to repair it had gone without response and that he would obtain quotes for the next meeting.

It was noted that the hedges at the Penningtons Lane ginnel required cutting back.

The park maintenance contract was discussed and it was noted that due to the dispute the contractor had not attended for the past three weeks. It was agreed that the Clerk issue two warning letters in accordance with the contract.

The idea of employing a parish warden and tree planting in Gawsorth were noted for discussion at future meetings.

**19/050 To consider matters related to the installation of a mast at Penningtons Lane Green**

It was noted that EE had undertaken to look at further sites before proceeding with the Penningtons Lane option and it was agreed to write again to Cheshire East Council demanding leadership on the issue and work with EE to find an suitable site.

**19/051 To consider an update on affordable housing in Gawsorth**

It was noted that the Dark Lane application had not yet gone to committee as revised information with regards movement of soil and house sizes was being prepared.

**19/052 To consider holding a stall at the church garden party**

It was agreed to hold a stall to generate interest in the council, the Clerk undertook to prepare some poster boards and obtain lanyards for name badges.

**19/053<sup>1</sup> To consider planning applications**

- a) **To consider application 19/3159M – 1 Warren Drive**
  - b) **To consider application 19/2955M – 11, The Holding, Woodhouse End Road**
  - c) **To consider application 19/2931M – 15 Harrington Drive**
  - d) **To consider application 19/2795W – Danes Moss Landfill Site**
  - e) **To consider application 19/2726M – Old Police Cottage, Dark Lane**
  - f) **To consider application 19/0562M - Land to the west of Macclesfield Road**
- a) It was **RESOLVED** to object to the proposal due to the position of the extension and the property's elevated position presenting a large flat

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<sup>1</sup> Cllr Richards left the meeting at the end of this item.

frontage resulting in a detriment to the character of the area but to note that the council raises no objections to the principle of the extension if designed to better assimilate into its surroundings.

- b) It was **RESOLVED** to raise no objection subject to a condition that it remain ancillary to the farm and reserved for agricultural use.
- c) It was **RESOLVED** to raise no objection.
- d) It was **RESOLVED** to raise no objection.
- e) It was **RESOLVED** to comment that due to the absence of proposed plans for the elevations there is insufficient information presenting to enable the council to consider the application and accordingly the council requests to be reconsulted once this information is available.
- f) It was **RESOLVED** to object on the grounds that as the site was not within the Cheshire East Local Plan no provision was made for the impact the additional housing will have on the A536, furthermore the council supports the comments submitted by Eaton Parish Council.

**19/054 To consider financial matters**

**a) To consider the Council's financial position year to date**

**b) To note and approve payments**

- a) The council's financial position was noted.
- b) It was **RESOLVED** to approve the payments detailed below, noting that the payment to Envirocare was made under duress in the interests of ensuring the park was maintained over the summer.

**19/055<sup>2</sup> To consider the Parish Maintenance and Actions Logs**

The logs were noted, the Clerk was requested to press Cheshire East Council for updates on matters.

**19/056 Member questions to the clerk**

It was noted that the NALC Star Council awards were now closed for entry but that nominations should be considered for 2020.

Cllr Tyrrell enquired if the council supported her strimming in Nancy's Wood, her offer was gratefully accepted.

Cllr Briggs enquired if many strategic sites had achieved 30% affordable housing, noting that the Macclesfield sites had not so far, the Clerk reported that he knew the Knutsford sites had been granted consent with 30% but was unsure about other areas.

Cllr Woods highlighted that he had circulated his notes of a meeting with Jeremy Owens (strategic planning, Cheshire East Council).

**19/057 To note the dates of forthcoming meetings**

The dates were noted.

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<sup>2</sup> Cllr Richards re-joined the meeting during this item.

## PAYMENT SCHEDULE

Payee	Chq Ref	Detail	Amount Paid
A Keppel-Green	300328	July Salary and Reimbursement/Expense	529.43
Envirocare	300329	Park and Parish Maintenance – May	784.49
Gort and March	300330	Q1 Payroll	43.20
HMRC	300331	Q1 PAYE	320.80
		<b>Total</b>	<b>1,677.92</b>