

## Gawsworth Parish Council

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### Minutes of the informal meeting of the members of Gawsworth Parish Council held Tuesday 8th June 2021 via Zoom

#### **1 PRESENT**

Cllrs Richards (presiding), Shepherd, Briercliffe, Mitchell, Parry, Tyrrell and Woods

A Keppel-Green (Clerk)

Apologies were received from Cllrs Briggs and Clarke.

#### **2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

Cllr Richards declared a personal interest in planning application 21/2419M on the grounds of being known to the applicant.

#### **3 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No members of the public were present on zoom.

#### **4 NOTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING**

The notes of the previous meeting were noted.

#### **5 CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLORS REPORT**

Apologies had been received from the three Cheshire East Councillors.

#### **6 PARISH MATTERS**

Cllr Parry reported a number of potholes outside her property on Dark Lane.

Cllr Woods reported that feedback on the idea of a shelter was being received; that he had attended a Cheshire East Council meeting on parish councils funding highway improvements and that a planting plan had been prepared for Nancy's Wood. Cllr Woods further highlighted that the Village Hall Committee was in need of new volunteers.

Cllr Mitchell reported that there was damaged metal near the bus stop which Cheshire East Council stated is the responsibility of the utility company and that there had been an accident nearby three days prior.

## **7 PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

21/3030M Brookhouse Farm, Congleton Road

It was agreed to raise no objections.

21/3010M 28 Hillcrest Road

It was agreed to raise no objections.

21/2419M Highfield, Woodhouse End Road

Cllr Richards abstained from discussion on this application.

It was agreed to raise no objections.

21/2439M Hill Top Cottage, Gawsworth Road

It was agreed to raise no objections.

## **8 BIODIVERSITY NET GAIN SUPPLEMENTARY PLANNING DOCUMENT**

It was agreed that Cheshire East Council should replace the avenue trees felled previously, that Cheshire East Council should be encouraged to improve biodiversity on farm holdings through contracts and if possible condition/encourage biodiversity improvements under permitted development decisions.

## **9 GREEN GAWSWORTH STRATEGY**

It was agreed to establish a working group comprising Cllrs Woods (lead), Mitchell and Parry to lead on the creation of a Green Gawsworth Strategy.

## **10 FOOTPATHS**

It was agreed to establish a working group comprising Cllrs Mitchell (lead), Briercliffe and Woods to:

- undertake an audit/review of the accessibility of footpaths and the wider pedestrian routes in the parish and to work with landowners / Cheshire East Council to improve accessibility.

- develop a series of permissive footpaths around fields to link existing rights of way and improve connectivity / leisure walking opportunities.
- investigate and prepare applications for existing unregistered rights of way to be added to the definitive map

**11 CONSERVATION AREA REVIEW**

It was agreed to investigate if a light touch refresh of the 2007 appraisal could be undertaken at lower cost than a full review.

**12 FINANCE**

The financial position year to date was noted.

To following payments were noted:

Payee	Detail	Amount
B Allen	Tree works (wood, park, pleasance)	3,000.00
Midland Signs	Woodhouse End Road Sign	107.04
A Keppel-Green	June Salary + Reimbursements (Gazette, Stationery, Mileage)	557.55
<b>Total</b>		<b>3,664.39</b>

**13 PARISH MAINTENANCE AND ACTIONS LOGS**

The logs were noted.

**14 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

No members of the public were present and no comments to report raised on Facebook.

**15 NEXT MEETING DATE**

It was noted that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday 13<sup>th</sup> July.