

Gawsworth Parish Council

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Minutes of the informal meeting of the members of Gawsworth Parish Council held Tuesday 13th July 2021 via Zoom and broadcast on Facebook.

1 PRESENT

Cllrs Richards (presiding), Shepherd, Briercliffe, Briggs, Mitchell, Parry and Woods
A Keppel-Green (Clerk)

Apologies were received from Cllrs Clarke and Tyrrell.

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Woods declared a non-pecuniary interest in planning application 21/3112M on the grounds of being known to the landowner. Cllr Richards declared a non-pecuniary interest in 20/3972M on the grounds of being known to the applicant.

3 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

A resident spoke in relation to the council's previously submitted objection to their planning application, stating that they were keen to understand why the council had objected and outlining the rationale for the application.

4 NOTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

The notes of the previous meeting were noted and it was agreed that the notes should refer to the meeting being broadcast on Facebook.

5 CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLORS REPORT

Apologies had been received from the three Cheshire East Councillors; the Clerk read a report from Cllr Smetham outlining that work was due to start on the installation of average speed cameras on the A536 and that some highway repairs had been undertaken including relining at Dark Lane.

6 PARISH MATTERS

Cllr Woods reported that a number of new members had joined the Village Hall Committee enabling some longer serving members to retire; that there was a degree of uncertainty around exactly when the A536 would be closed for works and that there have been a number of instances where cars have obstructed pavements through inappropriate parking.

Cllr Briercliffe suggested that members should keep an eye the reinstatement of road markings as part of the A536 works.

7 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

21/3409M 10 South View Avenue

The Council raises no objections.

21/3068M 29 Rising Sun Road

The Council raises no objections.

21/3112M Land at Brereton Farm, Cowbrook Lane

The Council objects on the grounds that the by virtue of the location the proposal would be detrimental to the amenity of the area and the landscape. It is noted that other masts are in close proximity and that the proposal would be detrimental to views from the Gawsworth Conservation Area. The council urges the application to find a more suitable location.

21/3459M 24 Warren Drive

The Council raises no objections.

21/3539M Shayes Farm, Pexhill Road

The Council raises no objections.

20/3972M Middle Moss Farm, Lowes Lane

The revised plans do not alter the Council's previous comment.

8 PLANNING DECISIONS

The latest decisions were noted.

9 LPS15 DEVELOPMENT

Cllr Shepherd provided a brief overview of the presentation members received for the benefit of the public and members not in attendance and it was noted that the application was due to be submitted without a period of pre-application consultation. Concern was raised as to whether the roundabout had been factored into the Safer Road Fund works.

The Clerk reported that following suggestions online, he had contacted the agents to suggest a public meeting be held but the response had not at that time been favourable.

It was noted that council would consider the application formally in due course.

10 CONSERVATION AREA REVIEW

An informal vote was taken and, with the Chairman’s casting vote members agreed that a light touch review should be commissioned.

11 FINANCE

The financial position year to date was noted.

To following payments were noted:

Payee	Detail	Amount
Cheshire Community Action	Membership	50.00
Northwich Town Council	May and June Parish Maintenance	2,148.60
JDH Business Services	Internal Audit 2020/21	191.52
GM Accounting	Payroll Q1 and PD11	157.20
HMRC	Q4 and Q1 PAYE	659.20
A Keppel-Green	July Pay and Gazette Print	485.82
	Total	3206.52

12 PARISH MAINTENANCE AND ACTIONS LOGS

The logs were noted.

13 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

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

14 NEXT MEETING DATE

It was noted that the next meeting would be held on Tuesday 10th August.