

Gawsworth Parish Council

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Minutes

of a meeting of the council held

Wednesday 9th November 2022 in the Gawsworth Scout Hall

22/100 PRESENT

Cllrs Shepherd (*presiding*), Dempsey, Hardy, Mitchell, Richards, Parry, Woods and Wright.

A Keppel-Green (Clerk)

22/101 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr Clarke.

22/102 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Cllr Richards declared a non-pecuniary interest in planning application 22/3816M on the grounds of being known to the applicant and neighbour.

22/103 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public were present.

22/104 APPROVAL OF PREVIOUS MINUTES

It was **RESOLVED** to confirm the minutes of the meeting held on the 12th October subject to typographical corrections.

22/105 CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLORS REPORT

Cllr Smetham reported that Cheshire East Highways had now confirmed that the Safer Roads Fund would be used to provide a signalised crossing at the crossroads. Cllr Smetham further reported that a trial of three councils funding speed cameras was taking place in Lymm, Plumley and Action Bridge.

22/106 PARISH MATTERS

The Chairman allowed a member of the public to address the meeting; they expressed concerned about the proposal to install traffic lights at the crossroads due to noise and impact on traffic flows.

Cllr Parry reported that there was a continued issue of cars using her driveway due to the stones on Dark Lane.

Cllr Hardy reported that a number of potholes that had been reported have been repaired.

Cllr Woods noted that the Methodist Church coffee mornings contributed to the Warm Hubs network. Cllr Woods further advised that a group were looking at celebrations for the coronation and requested a future discussion on 20 is Plenty.

Cllr Shepherd highlighted a prior approval application for New Ventures Farm, asking members to send comments to the Clerk.

22/107 PLANNING MATTERS

22/3816M – Field off Woodhouse Lane

It was **RESOLVED** to object on the grounds that the proposed shipping container is inappropriate in the greenbelt and that the council would be more sympathetic to a proposal for an agricultural building. It was noted that there is sufficient storage on site therefore the council questions the necessity of an additional structure.

Cllr Richards abstained from voting.

22/4181M – Highfield, Woodhouse End Road

It was **RESOLVED** to raise no objections noting that the proposal is better than what would be allowed under permitted development.

22/3896M – Millfield, Mill Lane

It was **RESOLVED** to raise no objections.

22/108 FINANCE

The council's financial position year to date was noted. The Clerk undertook to investigate the power consumption of the council's streetlights.

It was **RESOLVED** to approve the following payments

Payee	Detail	Amount
NPower	Streetlighting Costs January to September	247.46

P Shepherd	Reimbursement: Christmas Tree Festival	20.00
Royal British Legion	Poppy Wreath	27.50
A Keppel-Green	November Salary and Reimbursements	517.04
Northwich TC	Provision of Combo Padlock	36.00
	Total	848.00

22/109 PARISH MAINTENANCE AND ACTIONS LOGS

The logs were noted. It was noted a number of maintenance issues could be removed from the log.

22/110 QUESTIONS TO THE CLERK

The Clerk responded to a question confirming that ANSA had advised that the bin by the Lych Gate is emptied three times per week.

The importance of the council utilising its opportunity to address the Strategic Planning Board when the SMDA applications are considered was noted.

22/111 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION

No members of the public wished to address the council.

22/112 DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING

It was noted the next meeting would be held on Wednesday 11th January 2023.