

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRINDLEY AND FADDILEY PARISH COUNCIL
HELD AT THE GOODWILL HALL, FADDILEY ON 4th JANUARY 2022**

PRESENT:	Cllr G Barlow Cllr T Long Cllr P Robinson Cllr J Scott	Chairman Vice-Chairman Cllr P Major Cllr S Latham
APOLOGIES:	Cllr R Ford	
ALSO PRESENT	Dr. M Bailey (Clerk/RFO) Cllr S Davies (Cheshire East) Members of the public	

PART A

249 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllr R Ford.

250 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare any disclosable pecuniary interest or non-pecuniary interest which they had in any item of business on the agenda, the nature of that interest, and in respect of disclosable interests, to leave the meeting prior to the discussion of that item. There were no declarations of interest made by Members present.

251 MINUTES – 4th NOVEMBER 2021

RESOLVED: Members resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4th November 2021 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

252 MATTERS ARISING

The following items were raised from the above minutes: -

- Common – It was requested that Mr. John Malam quote for the creation of panels for the bus shelter. Members also agreed to contact residents and get hold of photographs and other information about the history of the area. It was also agreed to provide a reference to former Councillor David Latham. Finally, it was agreed to contact Jo Fawcett to ask her to identify the location of the orchids. It was also agreed to put a sign up by the orchids and include them on information for the bus shelter.
- Phone Box – it was agreed that Cllr Major was to organise removal of the box – no updates, waiting for the electricity to be cut off.
- Road Safety – no updates – the situation will be made worse by the closure of the A51 (which is now re-opened). It was suggested that slow signs are installed on the bends and that the double white lines over Burland bridge are enforced properly.
- Broadband – meeting held with Airband company on 15th December 2021, now waiting for them to implement the changes.
- The Thatch – no updates.
- VAT – the Clerk sent off reclaims twice but no progress.

253 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were a number of members of the public present at the meeting. Comments can be found under Planning Matters.

254 CASUAL VACANCY

It was reported that a casual vacancy existed on the Parish Council following the resignation of Cllr Thomas. The Parish Council **RESOLVED** that Sally Scott be co-opted onto the Council.

255 FINANCIAL MATTERS

255.1 Authorisation of Payments

£266.42 Dr MJ Bailey – salary payment for Clerk (December 2021/January 2022)
£66.60 HMRC for months 9 and 10 of the tax year (Clerk's salary)

RESOLVED: The above payments were approved by the Council

255.2 Ledger/Bank Reconciliation Statement (1.4.21-30.11.21)

The ledger/bank reconciliation statement for the period 1st April 2021-30th November 2021 was presented to Members for note.

255.3 Budget Report 2022/23

A report on the budget process for 2022/23 was presented to Members, who noted the contents.

The Parish Council **RESOLVED:** -

- (a) That a budget of **£4,080.00** be approved for the 2022-23 year; and
- (b) That the Clerk be authorised to request a precept of **£3,500.00** from Cheshire East Council.

256 CHAIRMAN'S REPORT

The Chairman of the Council made his report and referred to the following: -

- Speed Gun – it was reported that Cllr Long had been trained in use of the speed gun and was undertaking sessions. It was also reported that the Police had asked the Council to purchase its own gun and this was **AGREED**.
- Planning Training Course – it was **AGREED** that Cllr J Scott would attend this course.
- Flooding -the situation was reported as OK at present, although there appeared to be little evidence that the grids had been cleared (despite CEC's assurances to the contrary). Applied for Member Top-Up Funding to deal with this issue.
- Gritting – it was **AGREED** that an email would be sent to CEC expressing concerns about the roads not being gritted (Chair to action).

257 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Davies attended the meeting and made a report – will chase up the Top-Up Funding application.

258 HIGHWAY MATTERS

The following issues were raised under this agenda item.

- Long Lane – it was reported that this is in a poor state
- Hearn Lane – Cllr J Scott reported that the Lane is collapsing into the ditch

259 PLANNING MATTERS

The Council considered the following planning matters affecting the parish.

259.1 Planning Applications

Members considered the following planning applications

21/6250N Sevenoaks, Hearn Lane, Faddiley, CW5 8JL
Change use of land for siting of 4 new holiday lodges, the conversion of an existing building to a holiday lodge, and ancillary works.

Members considered this application and a number of members of the public also attended the meeting to speak to the application.

The Chair asked that only the application is considered rather than other matters.

It was mentioned that the application is a new one and does not fit in with the Local Plan.

In addition, there is insufficient attention applied to how the new lodges would deal with wastewater and also the impact on the new man-made lake which overflows and adds to the pressure on the structure of the Lane.

It was felt that this application would mean more traffic, noise and odour pollution for neighbouring properties.

It was also felt that there would be an added problem with septic tanks in the area.

Members of the public commented that no planning notices had been in place and that consultation cannot start until these are in place.

Members of the public also asked that this application is called into the Planning Committee due to the points raised above and the impact on neighbouring properties.

It was noted that the deadline for comments was 26th January 2022.

The Parish Council noted all comments and **AGREED** to request that the application is called in.

260 COMMUNICATION/SHARED INFORMATION

There were no items raised under this agenda item

261 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be held on Monday 7th March 2022 – Goodwill Hall.

.....Chairman

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm and concluded at 8.45pm