

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BRINDLEY AND FADDILEY PARISH COUNCIL HELD
AT THE GOODWILL HALL, FADDILEY ON 6TH JANUARY 2025**

PRESENT:	Cllr P Robinson	Chair (in the chair)
	Cllr S Scott	Cllr R Johnson
	Cllr G Barlow	Cllr M Shore
	Cllr N Hilton	
APOLOGIES:	None	
ALSO PRESENT	Cllr James Pearson	(Cheshire East Council)
	Dr. M Bailey	(Clerk/RFO)
	Members of the public	

PART A

505 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

No apologies were submitted to the meeting.

506 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 made by the Members present at the meeting.

507 MINUTES – 4th NOVEMBER 2024 (PARISH COUNCIL MEETING)

Members considered the minutes of the meeting held on 4th November 2024.

RESOLVED: -

Members resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 4th November 2024 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

508 MATTERS ARISING

The following matters were raised from the above minutes.

- Kidderton Lane – has been cleaned out, but issues remain.
- A534 – still awaiting a report from Cheshire East Council.
- Bank Mandate – no issues.
- Enforcement Issues – no updates.
- Event – took place at Goodwill Hall – £712.00 was raised and this has been donated to the Foodbank/Samaritans. It was reported that feedback had been positive about the event and the possibility of holding the event was discussed.
- Speed Gun – will start again in February 2025.

509 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Several members of the public attended the meeting – no issues were raised.

510 CASUAL VACANCY

It was reported that there was a vacancy following the resignation of Cllr Janet Scott. It was agreed to send a letter of thanks to former Cllr Scott.

RECOMMENDATION:

It was agreed to co-opt Philip Cuerden onto the Parish Council.

511 FINANCIAL MATTERS

Members considered the following items.

511.1 Ledger/Bank Reconciliation Statement (1st Apr 2024 – 30th Nov 2024)

Members noted that ledger/bank reconciliation statement for the period 1st April-30th November 2024.

It was agreed to arrange a meeting with Cheshire East to deal with the flooding issue at the Kidderton Lane crossroads.

511.2 Budget Report 2025/26

Members considered the budget for 2025/26.

The Parish Council **RESOLVED** the following: –

- That a budget of **£4,970.00** be approved for the 2025/26 year
- That the Clerk be authorised to request a precept of **£3,600.00** from Cheshire East Council

511.3 Authorisation of Payments

£288.42	Dr MJ Bailey – Clerk Salary (Dec 2024/Jan 2025)
£72.11	HMRC – months 9 and 10 (tax on Clerk's salary)

Members **RESOLVED** to approve these payments.

512 CHAIR'S REPORT

The Chair of the Parish Council reported on the following items: -

- Vice-Chair – it was agreed to appoint Cllr Graham Barlow until the annual meeting in May 2025.
- Event – showed that there are opportunities for the community to come together – it was agreed to contact Cheshire East about the Thatch to see if there are any processes which could assist in keeping the building as a pub.
- Potholes – a reminder to report any issues was shared.

513 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr James Pearson attended the meeting and provided the following updates.

- Road Safety – reported as making slow progress on the issues with the A534. Yet to receive a report on the road from Cheshire East. The matter has been referred to an officer at the Council regarding line marking and other road markings. The matter of sharing information with the police – currently six months – was addressed. Cllr Pearson reminded Members to report any issues. Members said that the 40mph speed limit needed to be extended. Need to make the case for Cheshire East to do this.
- Kidderton Lane – reported that the drainage team had come out, and also at Hearn's Lane. It was reported that a request had been made for a report on the issue. It was reported as still flooding. A request for a meeting involving Cllr Latham was made.

514 HIGHWAY MATTERS

Members considered highways issues affecting the parish.

515 PLANNING MATTERS

Members considered planning matters affecting the parish.

516 COMMUNICATION/SHARED INFORMATION

The following issues were raised under this agenda item.

- Police Cluster – it was reported that the next meeting is on 21st January 2025 at Goodwill Hall. Cllr Johnson agreed to attend on behalf of the Parish Council.
- Defibrillator – not listed as working on the website – the Clerk agreed to check this.

517 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 3rd March 2025 – 7.30pm – Goodwill Hall

.....Chairman

The meeting commenced at 7.30pm and concluded at 8.52pm