

Delamere & Oakmere Parish Council Meeting

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF DELAMERE AND OAKMERE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 26TH SEPTEMBER 2022 AT 7PM

Present: Councillors J Edwards, Councillor F Goodier, Councillor D Rutter, Councillor A Bell, Councillor D Wheeler, Councillor R Gilbert-Bratt and Councillor M Shaw.

Also, present Clerk, Mrs J Monks and four members of the public up to agenda item 7b were present.

1 Welcome and apologies for absence

Councillor A Bell welcomed everyone to the Parish Council meeting. Councillor G Hudson, Cheshire West and Chester Ward Councillors H Tonge and J Leather sent their apologies for the meeting.

2 Member's Code of Conduct and declarations of interest

Councillor A bell declared an interest as being a member of Royal British Legion with regards to agenda item 15.

Councillor A Bell and Councillor J Edwards declared an interest in relation to agenda item 7a, the planning application in relation to Eddisbury Lodge. Councillor A Bell and J Edwards left the meeting for both the discussion and decision on this planning application under agenda item 7a.

3 Public Speaking Time

Members of the Public addressed the Parish Council with regards to the planning application, 22/02714/FUL, Eddisbury Lodge.

Members of the public raised concerns and objections to the planning application for Eddisbury Lodge and various Parish Councillors asked questions regarding the proposed planning application.

4 Minutes of the last Parish Council meeting

RESOLVED that;

The minutes of the Parish Council meeting of Delamere and Oakmere Parish Council on Monday 11th July 2022 were approved.

5 Progress Reports and Outstanding Items

The clerk reported that the Highways Department of Cheshire West and Chester Council had agreed to do a Traffic survey of the A556 Chester Road in September 2022 following the request from the Parish Council.

6 Correspondence

The clerk had received a thank you letter from Tarporley Hospital for the donation from the Parish Council.

A representative from United Utilities has requested to attend the next Parish Council meeting in October in order to update the Parish Council on the maintenance work programmed for the Parish as part of the Vyrnwy Aqueduct programme.

7 Planning

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The planning applications that had been received up to 26th September 2022 were considered;

RESOLVED that;

- (a) 22/02714/FUL, Development of tourist accommodation comprising twelve timber camping pods, twenty-one seasonal bell tents, a utilities building including toilets, showers, and reception area, parking and access track. Eddisbury Lodge Yeld Lane Delamere Northwich CW8 2JD. No Objections were to be made, however the Parish Council requested a planning condition that traffic calming measures are put in place on the access road.

Councillor A Bell and Councillor J Edwards re-joined the meeting. The four members of the public left the Parish Council meeting.

- (b) No objections were made to 22/02941/FUL, Single storey front extension, dormers to front, alterations to existing garage, alterations to windows and doors, erection of detached garage with office above, Woodland House Chester Road Oakmere.

8 Finance

The clerk reported that the current bank balances were as follows and bank statements showing these amounts were presented and signed by the Chair.

Bank account balance is £26,775.09 as at 31st July 2022.

£20.00 unpaid cheques. Income £95.00 refund for compost which had been paid for but not delivered and £44 advertising income. Bank account balance is £25,921.75 as at 31st August 2022.No unpaid cheques. Income £70.00 advertising income.

RESOLVED that;

the following payments be authorised;

Method of payment	Payee	Particulars of payment	Amount
Standing Order 21 st	Joanne Monks	Salary for August	£393.83
Standing Order 21 st	Cheshire Pension Fund	Employers & employees' contribution for August	£146.37
001187	Joanne Monks	Clerk Expenses for August	£35.24
001188	Tarporley War Memorial Hospital	Donation	£200.00
001189	Joanne Monks	Reimbursement of Microsoft subscription	£43.90
001190	Information Commissioners Office	Data Protection annual fee	£40.00
Standing Order 21 st	Joanne Monks	Salary for Sept	£393.83
Standing Order 21 st	Cheshire Pension Fund	Employers & employees' contribution for Sept	£146.37
001191	Joanne Monks	Clerk Expenses for September	£32.30
001192	Clive George	Printing of newsletter	£344.74
001193	HMRC	Quarterly payment	£295.20
001194	Andrew Bell	Reimbursement for Book of Condolence	£24.98

9 Request for a financial contribution to sponsor a child to attend the World Kickboxing Championships in Ireland.

RESOLVED that;

The Parish Council would not sponsor individuals to attend events.

10 One-line banking

RESOLVED that;

The Parish Council would move to free online banking with the NatWest bankline system with dual authorisation for payments.

RESOLVED that;

The clerk, Mrs Joanne Monks and the Chair of the Parish Council, Councillor A Bell were authorised to set up a Bankline internet banking account for the NatWest.

Once set up the following Councillors will be added for bankline access;

- Councillor M Shaw
- Councillor D Rutter
- Councillor F Goodier.

RESOLVED that;

the persons named above are authorised to:

- complete and sign the National Westminster Bank PLC's Bankline application form for provision of internet banking services.
- accept the Bankline for Communities pilot terms on behalf of the unincorporated body.

11 Compost for Frith Avenue

RESOLVED that;

The expenditure of up to £200 plus VAT was approved for the purchase of compost.

Councillor F Goodier will email the clerk with the details to order when required.

12 Delamere and Oakmere Newsletter

Councillor A Bell reported that the printing costs for the newsletter issued in August 2022 was £344.74 and the advertising income was £350.00. As such the newsletter would make a profit of £5.26 if all the invoices are paid.

Councillor A Bell stated he had a couple of volunteers, and they were looking into a Christmas edition of the newsletter.

13 Facebook account for the Parish Council

Councillor A Bell will investigate setting up Facebook and the differences between an account and a page. The clerk was requested to put this as an agenda item for October.

14 Horse access across Frith Avenue field

RESOLVED that;

Horse access would not be allowed across Frith Avenue field. The expenditure of up to £50 plus VAT was approved for two signs; for no horse access and another sign regarding closing the gate on Frith Avenue.

15 Lamp Post poppies from the Royal British Legion

RESOLVED that;

The Parish Council would purchase fifteen poppies at the cost of £155.00.

The clerk was asked to contact local businesses to see if they wanted to purchase any additional poppies.

16 Dog Fouling signage

RESOLVED that;

The Parish Council would request dog fouling signage from Cheshire West and Chester Council to be installed on Station Road and Frith Avenue.

17 Neighbourhood Pride Scheme

RESOLVED that;

The Parish Council would apply for £450 for wildflowers project (in conjunction with Your Streets at CWAC) and for compost for the new planters at Frith Avenue to benefit the residents of the Parish. The clerk will contact Cheshire West and Chester Ward Councillor H Tonge regarding the request.

18 Car Park for Oakmere Way

This will be discussed at the next Tarmac liaison meeting and was deferred until the Parish Council meeting in November.

19 Wildflower planting

This was discussed under item 17.

RESOLVED that;

The Parish Council would apply for £450 for wildflowers project via Cheshire West and Chester's Neighbourhood Pride Scheme (in conjunction with Your Streets at CWAC)

20 Book of Condolence

RESOLVED that;

The expenditure of £24.96 was approved for a book of condolence for the Queen. Councillor A Bell will liaise with the Church regarding storage.

21 Update from Cheshire West and Chester Councillors

There were no Cheshire West and Chester Ward Councillors present.

22 Councillor's report and future agenda items

Councillor F Goodier reported that the two Oakmere signs had not yet been removed. Councillor D Rutter will contact the farmer concerned.

Councillor F Goodier reported that the crossroads sign on the A556 near the school required cleaning. The clerk reported this to Cheshire West and Chester Council under HW455027023.

Councillor F Goodier reported that Tarmac may be able to provide funding via a grant for Little Wood. The clerk was requested to send the details to Councillor G Hudson and put this as an agenda item for the next Parish Council meeting and the clerk will investigate the cost of signage.

Councillor F Goodier reported that the path from Frith Avenue to the new roundabout on Station Road was overgrown. The clerk reported this to Cheshire West and Chester Council under SS455028923.

Councillor J Edwards reported that there were ongoing issues regarding antisocial behaviour on the Earlsbrook housing development. All incidents need to be reported directly to Cheshire Police.

Councillor J Edwards would like to request a pelican crossing for Station Road near to Frith Avenue. The clerk was asked to submit a request for this to the Highways Department of Cheshire West and Chester Council.

Councilor D Rutter reported that he would like to know if Cheshire West and Chester Council had any intentions of restricting the street lighting so the lights were turned off from midnight to 6am. The clerk was asked to contact Cheshire West and Chester Council regarding this.

Councillor D Rutter asked if the re-filling of grit bins could be on the agenda for the next Parish Council meeting.

23 Date and time of next meeting

The next Parish Council meeting is Monday 17th October 2022 at 7pm.

Chairman's signature.....Dated.....

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