



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ROPE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY
18TH MAY 2015 AT SHAVINGTON SPORTS CENTRE**

PRESENT:

Councillor R Squirrell – Chairman
Councillor Stefan Pyra -Vice Chairman
Councillor Andy Pennance
Councillor Chris Flaherty
Councillor Margaret Simon
Councillor Maurice Simon
Councillor Brian Silvester

In Attendance:

CEC Ward Councillor Sarah Pochin, CEC Ward Councillor Steven Edgar, PCSO Peter Corbett, Sue Togay - Clerk

21. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

None

22. DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

None

23. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 16th March 2015 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman with the following amendments:

The date of the March meeting be corrected to 16th March 2015...

24. MATTERS ARISING:

Trees in Glaisdale and Farndale Avenue – Councillors Margaret Simon and Sarah Pochin were following up the requested TPO's on this site with the CEC Tree Officer.

Rope Donation to Shavington School Prize – The Clerk to follow up the costs of a school prize from Concorde Trophies.

Pot Holes at Rope Bank Ave/Laidon Avenue Junction – these had now been marked but still not completed.

Berkeley School Planning Application ref TPO on significant tree – Councillors Margaret Simon and Sarah Pochin to clarify and follow up with tree officer.

25. ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION.

A letter From Robert Everall to the Chairman - this had been received with regard to the present parking on the verge near his home causing damage. He suggested a solution would be installation of a low picket fence and reinstatement of the verge and perhaps sowing of wild flowers. After some discussion it was decided the Clerk would contact Mr Everall and inform him that the fence would cause difficulty with grass mowing and his suggestion was not supported.

Double Yellow Lines Outside Berkeley School - Cllr Pochin to resurrect this item with Cheshire East Highways Officers and press for action.

Pedestrian Crossing, Bankfield Ave – Cllr Pochin would again urge action on this which had been originally suggested in 1999 but which had been cost prohibitive. She would also urge 'Safety For Schools' Signage to be improved.

Evergreen Way leading to Acorn Bank Close – the hedges were now virtually impassable in this area. The Clerk to report but it was pointed out that hedge cutting was limited at this time of year due to bird nesting.

26. POLICE MATTERS

PCSO Pete Corbett provided a report.

PCSO's had given talks to the children at Berkeley School on Road Safety and Internet Security.



Crime incidents for the period included criminal damage to vehicle with the window been broken and a tablet stolen. ASB included malicious communications, neighbourhood disputes and youths with footballs in school grounds.

There had been Speedwatch sessions on Fuller Drive which would continue when possible. Cllr Pyra asked for PCSO Corbett to look at incidents of parking on pavement on the corner of Bankfield Avenue which was causing problems with the bus passing.

Mention was made of parking of vehicles on verge during the Election Count at Shavington Sports Centre. This would be reassessed if the Count held there in future years,

Discussions also took place with regard to the Gresty Road road closure. Even though there was major disruption, CEC Highways were responding well to any contact made by the Ward Councillor. Suggestion of a letter to CEC to highlight the parish council concerns resulted in the decision to monitor the situation and only take action if the situation worsened.

A further incident relating to the dog attack had occurred and continued action was taking place now that it had been officially reported to the Police.

Cllr Pyra asked for repositioning of the SID and PCSO Corbett agreed to re-assess.

Changes in the Crewe Policing Team now saw it consist of Allison Ross, Dawn Wilcox, Dawn Lewis Linda Clark, PCSO Vicky Moulton and PCSO Peter Corbett.

27. PLANNING MATTERS:

Local Plan- This had been suspended for one month due to elections. Consultants had been providing feedback with recommendations

Berkeley School – the planning application had been refused a call in and will therefore be decided by officers.

Rope Lane Nursery – This should have been included in the January Strategic Planning Meeting and may now be presented at 6th June meeting.

28. FEEDBACK ON EXTERNAL MEETINGS

None.

29 CLERK'S REPORT:

The Clerk congratulated all Councillors on their election to Council. Acceptance Of Office Forms had been completed and the Clerk requested all Councillors return completed Register Of Interest Forms and Forms relating to Election Expenses.

General Correspondence Received: Any electronic correspondence had been passed on to the Chair who then cascaded the appropriate items to all members:

Partnership Newsletter

Notification of road closures

Notification Of Weight Restrictions

Cheshire East Highways – LAP Traffic Management Reports

Election Presentation Copy

Neighbourhood Planning Event

Winter Service Update

Email response from ANSA ref dog bin on Evergreen Way via Cllr Simon

P App 50971N – Land to rear of 11 Eastern Road



P App 15/0535N New Classroom and Studio at Berkeley School
Berkeley School Newsletter
Shavington High School Newsletter
14/3267N Land East Of Rope Lane, Shavington
Thank you letter from Wistaston Memorial Hall for Donation.
The Chair also presented a New Transparency Code for Smaller Authorities.

30. FINANCE:

A. Requests for Financial Assistance:

None

B Payments

Section 137 Payments:

None

General Payments:

RESOLVED: That the following payments be made:

£262.86	S Togay – Clerk's Salary
£ 65.71	HMRC for tax on Clerk's Salary

C. Audit Procedure

Paperwork was being prepared for Internal Audit.