

MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ROPE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 17th SEPTEMBER 2018 AT SHAVINGTON ACADEMY

PRESENT:

Councillor Stefan Pyra - Vice Chairman

Councillor Chris Flaherty

Councillor Andy Pennance

Councillor Brian Silvester

Councillor Ben Wye

In Attendance:

Sue Togay - Clerk

49. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Councillor R Squirrell, Councillor Margaret Simon

50 DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

None.

51. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 16th July 2018 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

52. MATTERS ARISING:

War Memorial at St Mary's, Wistaston – Details from the architect had been circulated. The Church Warden had advised work would be delayed at present until after Remembrance in case work was not finished in time. It was hoped that the project would be completed for Remembrance 2019. There is also a public meeting on Saturday,10th November to show the plans and start the fundraising. **Defibrillator** – This was now in situ. Councillors asked if a thank you letter from Spar in relation to the donation from Rope PC had been received.

Ward Walk This was to take place on Thursday 27th September at 1.00pm meeting outside the New Life Church. Councillors Flaherty and Pyra presented their apologies due to work commitments. **Hedge Rope Bank Ave/Laidon Ave** – this had been cut back but not enough to solve the problem. A good opportunity to identify any overgrown hedges and the state of the pathways would arise at the Ward Walk. However, request Councillor Pochin chase up Rope Bank/Laidon Ave as she had pursued this initially

Berkeley Academy Yellow Line Markings – it was felt that they were not completed as yet and that CEC Councillor Pochin be asked for update.

Weeds In Gutter – the paths are getting narrower because of this. Again something that can be identified on the ward walk. It was discussed whether we could tap into any of the existing Clean Teams in the area or create a Rope group where parishioners may wish to get involved. Similar 'clean ups' had been picked up on the Shavington Facebook Page. Potentially Rope could also create a Facebook page. This matter to be deferred for discussion at a future meeting.

Eastern Road Speeding – It was requested that CEC Councillor Sarah Pochin be asked for an update.

53. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION/ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

Environmental matters included in other sections of the agenda.

54. CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLORS REPORT

Councillor Pochin was unfortunately not in attendance.

55. HIGHWAYS MATTERS

Parking, Rope Lane - With the commencement of the new academic year, a new intake of parents was parking on Rope Lane. Councillor Pyra to request the Head Teacher to send a reminder message on this from the school and if no improvement, then put in the hands of CEC.

Bollards In Verge, Rope Lane – these were still in situ. CEC Councillor Pochin to be asked for an update.

Obscured Traffic Light Sign – this was still obscured. Councillor Pochin to be asked for an update. **Bankfield Avenue –** a large bump identified in the road which could cause vehicle damage. Refer to Highways.

Gresty Lane Flooding - Councillor Pochin to be asked for an update.



56. POLICING MATTERS

Local Police representatives had been invited. It was hoped that PCSO would attend in future when she returned from maternity leave. It was felt that a request should be sent to the Police asking for information on the basic service.

57. PLANNING MATTERS:

Cheshire East Local Plan – Site Allocations Draft does not include any sites in Rope and shows the Strategic Green Gaps.

Local Planning Matter – nothing significant.

58. FEEDBACK ON EXTERNAL MEETINGS:

Cheshire East New Homes Bonus Seminar: A Report had been circulated. It was felt that the criteria attached to this scheme would not make it advantageous for Rope PC.

59. CLERK'S REPORT:

General Correspondence - All relevant correspondence had been forwarded to Councillors electronically. The next task within the yearly calendar was to produce a Precept Projection for 2019/2020.

60. FINANCE

A. Requests for Financial Assistance:

The Clerk would be arranging the procurement of 2 wreaths from The Royal British Legion for the Remembrance Services it attends.

Section 137 Payments:

RESOLVED: That a donation of £50 be made to the Royal British Legion for the parish wreaths. **General Payments**:

RESOLVED: That the following payments be made:

£272.80 S Togay – Clerk's Salary

£ 68.20 HMRC

£ 5.00 Cheshire East License for Noticeboard.

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