



MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ROPE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY 18TH JANUARY 2021 VIA ZOOM

PRESENT:

Councillor Stefan Pyra – Chair
Councillor Ben Wye - Vice-Chairman
Councillor Chris Flaherty
Councillor Margaret Simon
Councillor Rob Hassall
Councillor Robert Dodd

In Attendance:

Sue Togay – Clerk

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:

Councillor Andy Pennance

2. DECLARATION OF INTEREST:

Councillor Stefan Pyra in relation to Shavington Academy

Councillor Rob Hassall in relation to Berkeley Academy and Shavington Academy.

3. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:

RESOLVED: That the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 14th December 2020 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

4. MATTERS ARISING:

Tree Fuller Drive/Dunham Crescent – There was still no feedback from this from Cheshire East. The Clerk had advised that Mr Griffiths contact the Cheshire East Ward Councillor and supplied his contact details.

Boundary Signs – In progress. Awaiting an appointment to confirm sitings..

Parish Website – Councillor Hassall had been refreshing the website and created anew Agenda and Minutes section...

New Rope Laptop – This was in the process of being procured.

Parish Council Precept – the request had been sent to Cheshire East and confirmation received..

Trees Available from Councillor Pennance – Councillor Simon had looked into the permissions etc but was advised that these had already been distributed.

Berkeley Academy - The Clerk had contact PCSO Hobbs requesting Police presence at the school in relation to parking issues when schools were being attended.

5. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:

None

6 FINANCE:

A. REQUESTS FOR FINANCIAL ASSISTANCE:

None.

B. PAYMENTS.

Section 137 Payments:

None

General Payments:

S Togay, Clerk £281.90

HMRC £ 70.47

SLCC Membership £80.00

7. ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

Dog Fouling - There seemed to be a lot of 'dog fouling in the parish. After discussion it was decided to procure some chalk paint and put posters in the Parish noticeboards and website. The Clerk to obtain.

Litter Picking - Councillor Flaherty provided the details to obtain equipment from Ansa. The Clerk to contact and obtain.

Footpath leading from Rope Lane Bridge (Ref: Rope Footpath FP1) - Councillor Flaherty had spoken to the new owner of The Barn who owned the land had asked advise about the stile which had a large gap by it causing local youths to obtain access to the area with their bikes. Councillor Flaherty to send image to the Clerk and the Clerk to obtain advise from PROW Department at Cheshire East..



8. HIGHWAYS MATTERS:

Road Closures -Councillor Wye had requested this agenda item. Under Transport Regulations and Guidance, there should, on a closed road, still be access for residents, bicycles, pushchairs and wheelchairs. Councillor Wye had noted this and the insufficient signage. An example of this was the recent works on Gresty Lane. After discussion it was decided that Councillor Wye would provide a draft for the Clerk to send to Cheshire East Highways pointing out these issues. .

9. POLICING MATTERS:

The PCSO's had been seen in the Parish and one could see up to date information on the FB Page for Shavington, Willaston & Rope.

10. PLANNING MATTERS:

41 Rope Lane - Both The Chair and Clerk had had long conversations with Mr Fox who with a group of resident and the support of Councillor Margaret Simon, Cheshire East Ward Councillor for Rope at that time (2006), had deflected a possible removal of trees and dwelling to be replaced by 2 houses. Mr Fox had obtained details of a Treework Application for the site and felt that this should be monitored in case trees were unlawfully removed that had TPO's on them and potential development of the site. Councillor Hassall ascertained the Planning Reference was PP-09/327003. The Chair to supply response with regard to this application and involve CEC Councillor Allen Gage.

11. FEEDBACK ON EXTERNAL MEETINGS:

None

12. CLERK'S REPORT:

General Correspondence - All relevant correspondence had been forwarded to Councillors electronically.

The Clerk advised that now the Parish had caught up with the number of meetings and that in the foreseeable future Zoom Meetings would continue., the meeting schedule should return to the normal schedule of every two months with additional ones called as and when required. Dates proposed are as follows:

Monday 15th March 2021

Monday 17th May 2021

Monday 19th July 2021

Monday 20th September 2021

Monday 15th November 2021.

13 ANY OTHER BUSINESS:

The Chair requested that Rope Green Medical Centre is asked for a response to the letter sent to them previously.

14. DATE OF THE NEXT MEETING.

Monday 15th March 2021 via Zoom