



**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF ROPE PARISH COUNCIL HELD ON MONDAY  
19<sup>th</sup> Sept 2011 AT SHAVINGTON SPORTS CENTRE**

**PRESENT:**

Councillor R Squirrell – Chairman  
Councillor Robert Dodd - Vice Chair  
Councillor Marjorie Dodd  
Councillor Andy Pennance  
Councillor Chris Flaherty  
Councillor Maurice Simon  
Sue Togay– Clerk

**In Attendance:**

CEC Councillor Brian Silvester, PC Daniel Sambrook

**42. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE:**

Councillor Simon Bowkett.

**43. DECLARATION OF INTEREST:**

None

**44. MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING:**

**RESOLVED:** That the minutes of the meeting held on Monday 17<sup>th</sup> January, 2011 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman with the amendments that Councillor Silvester had in fact been in attendance.

**45. MATTERS ARISING:**

**Lochleven Road Pathways** – Cllr Silvester informed the Council of the resurfacing of pathways in Lochleven Road and the ordering of a new street nameplate. The Chair also mentioned similar damage opposite Berkeley School which Councillor BS would try to have included at the same time.

**Shavington High School** – the trust status had now been approved. It has also been identified as the most improved school in Cheshire East. The Clerk to send congratulations to The Head.

**Berkeley Primary School** – there was now a governor vacancy at the school.

**Community Resilience Emergency Plan** – The sub group made up of Councillors Squirrell, Flaherty and Bowkett had been working on this document in relation to the model provided by Cheshire East. The work was still ongoing and would be presented to the PC when completed.

**Dog fouling Bins** – those placed by the Rope Lane footpath were loose and need securing. Clerk to inspect and report. The Community Wardens were attending the Community Action Meeting on 27<sup>th</sup> Sept.

**Overgrown Hedges** – the Clerk to provide the link to CE website.

**46. ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS/PUBLIC PARTICIPATION:**

**Formal Comment From Rope PC to the Cheshire East LDF** – The Chair provided a draft statement for approval.

**RESOLVED:** That the statement was approved by Rope PC and was to be formally sent to CE Planning Department via the Clerk.

**Planted Area, Acorn Bank Close** – Clerk to ascertain if this area maintained by CE.

**Glaisdale Ave** – Councillor Silvester had received a complaint about parked vehicles and rubbish and was looking into the situation.

**Footpaths** – Councillor Silvester informed Councillors that Laidon Avenue and Rimsdale Ave footpaths were to be resurfaced.

**Daffodil Bulbs** – The Clerk to ascertain if any were being offered to the Parish by Cheshire EAST Streetscape.



## **7. POLICE MATTERS -**

PC Daniel Sambrook gave a report on any ASB or crime that had occurred in the parish.

The parking problem still exists as a problem with parking on driveways and near the junctions in the vicinity of the school. It continued to be monitored and warning letters had been issued. Revision of yellow lines was being considered and enforcement on these was in the hands of CE Traffic Enforcement Officers. Police officers can only issue fines on obstructions therefore it was important to work with the Council to provide a co-ordinated approach.

The police were continuing to monitor any trespassing on Berkeley School fields.

There had been some stone throwing on Rope Lane and PC Sambrook would look into any link with broken windows on Fuller Drive.

## **48 PLANNING MATTERS**

**Rope Lane Nursery** –planning application had been received ref the import, store and reuse of soil for the process involved in the garden centre business. After some discussion, Councillor Dodd offered to site visit the nursery to assess if the planning rules were being adhered to. The Clerk to look into the application and check if Planning officers were happy about the site due to previous problems.

## **49. FEEDBACK ON EXTERNAL MEETINGS**

Wybunbury United Charities – The Chair and Vice Chair had attended a meeting and received more fund. Notices had been placed in the parish boards and 2 applications had been received. Councillor Silvester asked what criteria was used to approve awards. The Chair explained that any University student that lived in the parish could apply for a book bursary in order to distribute the amounts that were awarded to the parish for its use.

## **19. CLERKS REPORT:**

### **Correspondence Received:**

A list of correspondence received was circulated and the communications made available:

### **Cheshire East**

Think Silver Think Recycling Information.

Invitation to Mayor's Civic Service 16<sup>th</sup> Oct

LDF Place Shaping Consultation – Place Activity Pad

### **Planning Applications:**

CW 11/2904N – Import, store and re-use and export of soil for process involved in garden centre business – Rope Lane Nursery

### **Cheshire Police Authority:**

Police Question Time

### **Other:**

Chalc – information on recruitment of town/parish rep on CE Standards Committee

Hidden Treasure – Faith Sector Audit

The Playing Field – Summer 2011

RHS Letter ref Britain in Bloom

CPRE – copy of Fieldwork

## **20. FINANCE:**

### **A. Requests for Financial Assistance:**

1. In 2010 Rope PC had donated an amount to Shavington Leisure Centre for free Monday Evening Sessions for young people which had been extremely successful. Previous discussions in relation to this had agreed that Rope PC would like to continue to provide funding for Winter 2011.

2. The annual request for membership to Mid Cheshire Footpath Society was received which was paid under Section 137 payments.



**Section 137 Payments:**

**RESOLVED:** That Rope PC donate £1,000.00 to Shavington Leisure Centre to be used to provide free Monday sessions to the young people of the parish.

**RESOLVED:** That the annual fee for The Mid Cheshire Footpath Society for £8.00 be paid

**General Payments:**

£310.02	Clerk's Salary
£162.00	Audit Commission for external audit
£5.00	CE – rent for Berkeley Noticeboard