MINUTES OF A MEETING OF HANKELOW PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT HANKELOW METHODIST CHAPEL, HANKELOW ON 4 MARCH 2019

PRESENT:	Councillor G Foster	Chair
	Councillor G Cope Councillor I Jones Councillor A Lee	
IN ATTENDANCE:	Eight members of the public, including Mr J Durrant, Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group	
APOLOGIES	Councillor C Ainley Borough Councillor Rad	chel Bailey

75 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare any non-pecuniary or disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI) which they had in any item of business on the agenda, the nature of that interest, and in respect of disclosable interests to leave the meeting prior to the discussion of that item.

Councillors G Foster, A Lee and I Jones each declared an interest in agenda item 8 (White Lion Community Pub Ltd) on the basis that they were shareholders in the company.

No other declarations were made at this point in the proceedings.

76 MINUTES

RESOLVED: That the Minutes of the meeting held on 7 January 2019 and the Extra-Ordinary Meeting on 14 February 2019 be approved as correct records.

77 PLANNING APPLICATION – LODGE FARM INDUSTRIAL ESTATE

At the Extra-Ordinary Meeting on 14 February 2019, it was agreed that the Clerk write to Antoinette Sandbach MP expressing concern about the developers' potential utilisation of a legal loophole to build fewer affordable homes. The Parish Council noted the content of a letter received from Antoinette Sandbach who had advised that she had written to the Minister for State for Housing, Kit Malthouse MP, to obtain further information and will write again when a response had been received.

78 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

In accordance with the Parish Council's Standing Order No 1, members of the public were able to ask a question or to make a statement:

The following issues were raised:

- It was asked whether the Parish Council had been notified about the outcome of two recent planning applications. No feedback had been received.
- Some residents were in possession of a range of digital materials which were of relevance to Hankelow and it was asked whether there was any merit in the maintenance of a digital archive by the Parish Council. It was AGREED that this matter be included on the next agenda for further discussion.

79 RISK ASSESSMENT/MANAGEMENT STRATEGY

The Parish Council considered a schedule for risk assessment and management of the risks.

RESOLVED: That the Risk Assessment/Management Strategy be approved.

80 FINANCIAL MATTERS

80.1 Authorisation of Payments

RESOLVED: That the following payments be approved:

£70.93 Councillor I Jones Reimbursement for the purchase of speed safety signs to be installed along Hall Lane.

At the Parish Council meeting on 9 January 2019, it was agreed that there was a need for more warning signs about dog-fouling and Councillor Jones undertook to purchase appropriate signage. A number of dog-fouling signs were provided to the meeting and it was noted that these were available at no charge. The Parish Council deemed these signs to be of a suitable quality for display purposes and it was agreed that Councillor Jones install the four signs around the Village Green.

81 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN UPDATE

Mr John Durrant, Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group, updated the Parish Council on progress.

It was reported that the AECOM investigation in respect of the site assessment which had commenced in December 2018 will not be completed before the end of March 2019. This took the conclusion of this part of the process to beyond 31 March 2019 which was the deadline date by which the grant from Locality must be spent. The Clerk had contacted Locality who had confirmed that there was no requirement to return the underspend after the project end period and that any unspent funds could be carried forward. There was, however, a need to complete a provisional end of grant reporting detailing the areas of grant spend up to 31 March 2019.

RESOLVED: That the Clerk liaise with the Chair of the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group to make arrangements for the completion of the provisional end of grant report, as stipulated by Locality.

82 WHITE LION COMMUNITY PUB LTD – DRAINAGE ONTO VILLAGE GREEN

It was noted that discussions were ongoing with the Environment Agency and Cheshire East Council surrounding the surplus water disposal from the White Lion Community Pub Limited. Whilst the ultimate drainage scheme had yet to be finalised, it had been determined that the surplus water could be discharged through a drainage pipe underneath the road and beyond the Village Green.

RESOLVED: That permission be given by the Parish Council to the White Lion Community Pub Limited to enable access for the surplus water drainage pipe installation, subject to the Village Green being restored to its original condition (if required) following completion of the work.

83 SHARED INFORMATION

Parish Councillors were invited to share information or report on attendance at any recent meetings of outside bodies.

The following matter was raised:

 Councillor Lee had been notified by Mr K Shenton, Hankelow Hall, about the Weaver Wander Charity Classic and Sports Car event to take place at the Hall on Saturday, 18 May 2019 in conjunction with Nantwich Rotary Club. Income from the event will be donated to the Donna Louise Hospice and also a proposed donation to the Pub restoration fund. Whilst car parking was confined to the Hall, due to the nature of the event and anticipated visitor numbers, it was noted that parking may overspill on to the Village Green on this day.

84 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

7 May 2019 (Tuesday)

85 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

RESOLVED: That in accordance with Paragraph 1 (2) of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following items owing to the confidential nature of the business to transacted and the public interest would not be served in disclosing that information.

86 CLERK'S APPOINTMENT

Members signed various letters to the bank associated with the appointment of the new Clerk, Paula Cottrell, with effect from 1 March 2019.

.....Chair

The meeting commenced at 7.30 pm and concluded at 8.00 pm