

HANKELOW PARISH COUNCIL

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Parish Councillors are summoned to a meeting of the Parish Council

DATE: MONDAY 12 NOVEMBER 2012

TIME: 7.30 PM

VENUE: SCHOOL ROOM, HANKELOW METHODIST CHAPEL



Signed: _____

Date of Issue: 7 November 2012

Note: Prior to the start of the meeting, members of the public will be able to address the Parish Council.

A G E N D A

1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

2.1 Members to declare any non-pecuniary or disclosable pecuniary interest which they have 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.

Whilst the Clerk can advise on the Code of Conduct and its interpretation, the decision to declare, or not, is the responsibility of the Parish Councillor, based on the particular circumstances.

2.2 Register of Members' Interests

Members are reminded to complete their Register of Interests form which should be sent electronically to the Cheshire Association of Local Councils. A copy should also be sent to the Clerk for uploading onto the website. This is a legal requirement under S.29(7) of The Localism Act 2011 which states "A parish council must, if it has a website, ensure that its register is published on its website."

To: Councillors G Foster (Chairman), C Ainley, G Cope, I Jones and A Lee

Copy: Borough Councillor R A Bailey

3 MINUTES – 17 SEPTEMBER 2012

To approve as a correct record, the Minutes of the Meeting held on 17 September 2012.

4 MATTERS ARISING (not detailed elsewhere on the agenda)

To consider any matters arising from the Minutes of the previous meeting.

4.1 Procedure for Street Renaming

The Clerk to report in respect of a suggestion made at the previous meeting that part of Audlem Road should be renamed 'Old School Lane'.

5 REPORT OF MEMBERS APPOINTED TO OUTSIDE BODIES

Members appointed to outside bodies to report on recent activities.

- Burial Board
- Police Cluster

6 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Borough Councillor R A Bailey to report on Cheshire East matters which may be of interest to the Parish Council and to provide an update in respect of any outstanding matters.

7 FINANCIAL MATTERS

7.1 Authorisation of Payments

The Parish Council is asked to authorise the following payments:

£82.00 Mrs G Foster – balance of Chairman's allowance

The Chairman's allowance is payable under the Local Government Act 1972 S 15(5) to offset the expenses of the office. The amount is payable as a lump sum and would normally be paid at the Annual Meeting after the Chairman is elected. There is no requirement to account for the expenditure although the Chairman has already been paid £18 of this allowance and has declared how she has spent it.

The Parish Council is now asked to authorise payment of the balance.

£(tba) The Food Store (payment for feeding of wild ducks)

7.2 Receipts and Payments Statement – 1 April – 30 September 2012 ...

To receive a Receipts and Payments Statement for the first half-year.

7.3 Draft Budget Proposals – 2013-2014 ...

The Parish Council is invited to give initial consideration to its budget proposals for 2013-2014. The Clerk's report is attached.

7.4 Parish Plan

A sum of £300 was deposited in the Parish Council's accounts under the heading of 'Parish Plan'. A grant of £140 was made at the last meeting (payable to Hankelow Methodist Church) to enable the Coffee Mornings to be funded for a few months. The Parish Council is invited to consider how the remainder of this sum should be spent in furtherance of aspirations expressed in the Parish Plan.

7.5 Cheshire Community Pride

The Parish Council has received a sum of £100 from Cheshire Community Pride and Members are invited to consider how this should be spent.

8 PLANNING

The Parish Council is invited to submit observations on the following planning application by 5 December 2012.

12/3950N - Barn A, Hankelow Hall, Hall Lane, Hankelow – addition of cellar within exiting footprint of current planning permission P08/0869 to Barn A, together with additional pitching door and rotation of dwelling. Increase ridge height by 500 mm on garage to make better use of loft space.

9 INSURANCE REVIEW

At the previous meeting, it was suggested that a review of the Parish Council's insurance be undertaken. The current policy is due for renewal on 1 June 2013 and it is suggested that the review be undertaken early in 2013.

10 REINSTATEMENT OF PERMISSIVE PATH – HANKELOW TO AUDLEM

To report that a site meeting with Messrs Robin and Timothy Morris of Morris Care (Corbrook Court) has been arranged for 15 November at 2.00 pm. The Chairman and the Clerk will be attending, together with a Member and the Clerk from Audlem Parish Council.

11 CONSULTATION – FUTURE PLANS FOR CHESHIRE FIRE AND RESCUE SERVICE

Cheshire Fire Authority has now published its annual plan, the draft Integrated Risk Management Plan (IRMP) for 2013/14 and the years beyond and launched a 12 week consultation period on 24 September, which runs until 17 December.

This draft plan is the most significant in the Fire Authority's 15 year history, as it sets out a number of far-reaching proposals, which have been developed so that it can maintain and improve the services it provides to the local community and make most effective use of its reduced funding.

The Parish Council is invited to submit comments by 17 December.

12 NOMINATION TO NALC SMALLER COUNCILS COMMITTEE

Each parish council with an electorate of less than 6000 is invited by the National Association of Local Councils to make a nomination to the newly-formed Smaller Councils Committee.

The Committee will comprise up to five members of National Council, three members representing smaller councils and either the Chairman or one of the Vice-Chairmen of National Council. Three members receiving the highest number of votes will be elected for a one-year term. Only one nomination per smaller council can be accepted. If the Parish Council wishes to make a nomination, the Clerk will forward the nomination form to the nominee who must complete a personal statement and details of qualifications and credentials.

13 CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk to report receipt of correspondence received since the last meeting.

From	Item	Date issued to Members	Action required
ChALC	New pension regulations	n/a	To note
ChALC	Candidates for Police Commissioner Elections on 15 November	17 Oct and subsequent candidates details	Information

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14 SHARED ITEMS

Parish Councillors are invited to share information or to request the inclusion of items on the next agenda.

Note: Decisions cannot be taken under this item.

15 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

7 January 2013

Note: At this meeting, the Parish Council will be invited to finalise its budget proposals for 2013-2014 to enable the Clerk to request a precept from Cheshire East Council.

16 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

In accordance with Paragraph 1 (2) of The Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960, the Parish Council is invited to **RESOLVE** that the press and public be excluded from the meeting during consideration of the following item owing to the confidential nature of the business to be transacted and the public interest would not be served in disclosing that information.

17 INTERACTIVE SPEED SIGNS

To consider the introduction of interactive speed signs.

Reason for exclusion:

Potentially relates to commercial dealings.

18 ESTIMATES/SPECIFICATION FOR GROUNDS MAINTENANCE OF THE GREEN

To consider a draft contract and draft specification for the maintenance of grass verges and the Green at Hankelow. (Distributed under separate cover)

Reason for exclusion:

Potentially relates to financial matters of other than the Parish Council.

Notes

1) Members of the Public

The Parish Council welcomes and encourages members of the public to attend its meetings. You are requested to enter and leave quietly and to remain quiet during the meeting. Mobile phones and pagers should be switched off, and no food or drink should be brought into the meeting.

Members of the public are not able to participate in meetings but are able to ask questions or make a statement, prior to the start of the meeting. In addition, if you feel there is a matter which should be brought to the attention of the Parish Council you may contact the Clerk, the Chairman, or any member of the Parish Council, and arrangements can be made to place the item on the agenda for the next meeting, if appropriate.

On occasions, members of the press and public will be excluded from the meetings when the business to be transacted is of a confidential nature; for example, dealing with individual people, staffing matters, contracts and financial affairs of other parties.

2) Parish Councillors

A) Notice of items

The Parish Council cannot lawfully decide any matter which has not been specifically included on the agenda, and there is case law to this effect (*Longfield Parish Council v Wright (1918) 88 LJ Ch 119*).

B) Planning Grounds The grounds on which comments can be made on planning applications are as follows –

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| 1 | Development Plan in all its aspects | 8 | Appropriateness of use taking account of local area |
| 2 | Government legislation and guidance (PPG) | 9 | Effect on highway safety and parking |
| 3 | Siting | 10 | Landscape |
| 4 | Design | 11 | Listed buildings |
| 5 | External appearance | 12 | Conservation areas |
| 6 | Compatibility with street-scene | 13 | Land |
| 7 | Development effect on neighbouring properties, contamination amenities and privacy | 14 | Flooding |

Non-Relevant Matters

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| 1 | Matters controlled by other legislation | 6 | Business competition |
| 2 | Effects on private rights | 7 | Personal circumstances – health/finance |
| 3 | Provisions in covenants/deeds | 8 | Ownership |
| 4 | Effect on property values | 9 | Moral issues |
| 5 | Private opinions | | |

Note: If the Parish Council agrees, in principle, with an application, but not in all aspects, suggestions for “development conditions” can be made, in line with relevant factors.