

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON WEDNESDAY 22ND SEPTEMBER 2021 AT 7.30 PM AT MANLEY VILLAGE HALL

Councillors: Ian Walton (Chairman), Jane Challoner, John Gilding, Colin Ford and Jonathon Roberts

Parish Clerk - Gaynor Hawthornthwaite

The meeting that was scheduled for 4th August 2021 did not take place as the PC agreed that there were no items of business apart from submitting the PC's comments on planning application 21/02611/FUL - Land at New Pale Road, which were discussed via email.

1. APOLOGIES

Cheshire West and Chester Ward Councillor Hugo Deynem and Manley Parish Councillor Pam Brook

NON-ATTENDANCE

Councillors Peter Sherlock and John Bunting.

2. DISCLOSURE OF INTERESTS

- Councillor Walton declared a personal interest in planning application 21/02611/FUL Land at New Pale Road on the grounds that the land is next door to where he resides.
- Councillor Brook declared a personal interest in planning application 21/03297/FUL 3 Quarry
 Cottages Manley Lane Manley Frodsham WA6 9HU as she knows the applicants and lives next door
 to the property.

3. APPROVAL OF THE MINUTES OF THE ANNUAL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 30th JUNE 2021

These were unanimously approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

Open Forum

There were no members of the public in attendance at the meeting.

4. SAFETY AND SECURITY

4.1 Survey of trees on the Parish Field adjacent to the B5393 - discuss progress (PB) and agree next steps

Following the survey of the trees on the Parish Field adjacent to the B5393 by the CW&C Tree Officer and their recommendations, Councillor Brook had obtained a quotation of approximately £750 for the work on the trees that are showing signs of disease, from a tree surgeon who is registered with the Arboricultural Association.

Councillor Ford agreed to obtain another quotation.

Action - Councillor Ford to follow up.



5. ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

No items reported.

6. HIGHWAYS

6.1 State of the Roads - Update on the status of the review of the roads and agree next steps

The PC were pleased that there had been some progress on the reported potholes, but agreed that there were several areas that require a more thorough resurfacing treatment as follows:

- 1. Manley Road from Yarangal Green to the B5393. This has been patched up before but still seems to fall apart quite quickly
- 2. B5393 junction with Dark Ark Lane and New Pale Road. The surface on this bend is steadily deteriorating and road marking are worn
- 3. Tarvin Road Moss Lane T junction. The road surface is uneven and the road markings are worn.
- 4. Manley Lane from Norton's Lane to Cob Hall Lane this is in a very bad state
- 5. New Pale Road this has sunken areas where services have been installed, and the road markings are worn.

Action - Councillor Walton to follow up with CW&C Highways.

6.2 Manley Road - Tarvin Road - Speed Limit; update since last meeting (IW)

CW&C Highways have confirmed that although a 30-mph speed limit on this stretch of the road does not meet various criteria for a change in speed limit, a speed survey from Manley Road to Tarvin Road, is to be undertaken sometime in the Autumn.

6.3 Parking at Manley Common

There has been no update from CW&C Highways about the resurrection of chevron signs on the bend which were reported to CW&C by the Police

6.4 Other Highways Items

A response is awaited from Councillor Deynem about the issue that had been mentioned relating
to part of the Sandstone Trail, which runs from Ashton Road along the access route to the forest
lodges. The roadway is only one vehicle wide, with verges that are not always accessible, and
which therefore poses a risk to walkers, riders, and cyclists.

Action – Councillor Deynem to follow up the road access route to the forest lodges with CW&C Public Rights of Way.

- Councillor Ford is continuing to follow up with CW&C Highways the missing sign on the footpath
 off Sugar Lane. Highways are arranging for a new bridleway sign to be installed, and are planning
 to write to the landowners reminding them that the bridleway is open to public use.
- Lay-by on B5393 near Manley Village School

Councillor Gilding is continuing to follow up the ownership of the layby on the B5393 near Manley School, in particular if this is a recognised CWaC asset.



7. COMMUNITY

7.1 Update on Village Hall Committee (IW)

Councillor Walton reported that the next Village Hall Committee meeting is being held next Wednesday and gave the following update:

- There has been an increase in the hall usage.
- A new broadband box has now been installed in the Village Hall car park. Work is continuing on connecting up the new broadband to the Village Hall.
- The refurbishment bar works are almost complete.
- There has been an expression of interest from a bowling club about using the bowling green attached to the Village Hall. As agreed by the Committee, the outside space is currently available for use for any party bookings.

8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS

- **21/03297/FUL** 3 Quarry Cottages Manley Lane Manley Frodsham WA6 9HU: Erection of two dormers, single storey side extension, rooflights to side and rear There were no PC comments.
- **21/03732/TPO** Crossley Beeches, New Pale Road, Manley, Frodsham WA6 6LB various works on various trees, including felling, as per Tree Survey There were no PC comments.
- 21/02611/FUL Land at New Pale Road The PC had submitted comments relating to this application. It was noted that as the planning notice relating to this application had not been displayed currently, it is to be re-displayed for 21 days.

Planning Enforcement issues – Hard standing on Manley Road and entrance on New Pale Road – update and agree actions. Enforcement have visited both of these sites and decided that no further action will be taken at the moment. If the owners undertake more work, the situation may change.

Councillor Deynem had followed up the boundary hedgerows on Chapel Lane and CW&C Highways had confirmed that the boundary hedgerows are usually maintained by the landowners at the end of the bird nesting season. CW&C had visited the site and reported that there were no safety related issues found at the site at the time of the inspection.

9. FINANCE

Review of Current Financial Position

The MPC bank account balance as at 10th September 2021 was £15,333,84

The following was approved for online payment:

- Room Hire at Village Hall PC Meeting 22nd September 2021 £22.00 Manley Village Hall
- Reimbursement to Mr C Ellams Payment to Net Nerd for Domain Renewal 14.09.21-13.09.22 -£8.39

The Clerk had made an online payment of £122.20 for the tax due on the Clerk's salary for the first quarter on 15th July 2021.



Budget Monitoring Reports at PC Meetings

Prior to the meeting the Clerk had circulated an accounting report detailing income and expenditure and a budget monitoring report to enable the PC to forward plan and monitor actual expenditure against agreed expenditure and to identify any overspends and any savings.

Action – Councillor Roberts to add the financial reports to the website.

10. CLERK'S REPORT AND CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk reported that the following Bulletins and Circulars had been received since the June 2021 meeting:

Chalc

Weekly Bulletins and Briefings Training courses

CW&C

Cheshire West and Chester Council – Local Plan Early Conversation 2021

Draft Police and Crime Plan 2021-2024

11. DATE OF NEXT PC MEETING

The date of the next meeting is Wednesday 20th October 2021 at 7.30 pm

ANY OTHER BUSINESS

No items reported.

The meeting closed at 8.40 pm