

**MINUTES OF THE MEETING OF BURLAND PARISH COUNCIL
HELD REMOTELY ON 9TH NOVEMBER 2020**

PRESENT: Cllr J Pochin Vice-Chairman (in the chair)
Cllr S Thompson Cllr J Scott
Cllr J Thomas Cllr M Warburton
Cllr A Morris

APOLOGIES: Cllr G Denny Chairman
Cllr R Clough Cllr G Samways
Cllr S Davies Cheshire East Council

ALSO PRESENT Dr. M Bailey (Clerk/RFO)

780 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies were received from Cllrs G Denny, G Samways, R Clough and Cheshire East Councillor S Davies.

781 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare any disclosable pecuniary interest or non-pecuniary interest 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. There were no declarations of interest.

782 MINUTES – 12th OCTOBER 2020

RESOLVED: Members resolved that the minutes of the Parish Council meeting held on 12th October 2020 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.

783 MATTERS ARISING

The following matters were raised from the above minutes: -

- Resident Issues – the issues raised by a resident referring to speed devices in Worleston parish; flooding; and a pipe in the area were all followed up by the Clerk
- Trees on Swanley Lane – reported as still being an issue

784 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

There were no members of the public present at the meeting.

785 FINANCIAL MATTERS

785 .1 Authorisation of Payments

£234.18	Dr MJ Bailey – salary payment for Clerk (Nov 2020)
£58.54	HMRC for month 8 of the tax year (Clerk's salary)
£41.40	Shires Pay Services (Payroll Services M7-M9)

RESOLVED: The above payments were approved by the Council

785.2 Ledger/Bank Reconciliation Statement (1st April 2020-31st October 2020)

The ledger/bank reconciliation statement for the period 1st April 2020-31st October 2020 was presented to Members for note.

785.3 Budget Report and Draft Budget 2021-22

A report setting out the process for setting the Parish Council budget for 2021-22 was presented to Members, together with budget monitoring information for the first half of the 2020-21 financial year to guide discussions on the budget for next year.

Members noted the following: -

- There is a projected overspend of £188.42 on the 2020-21 budget
- It is projected that the Parish Council will have £2,266.46 on 31st March 2021
- The precept for 2020-21 is £5,820
- There was no information on the taxbase for 2021-22

Members will make a formal decision on the precept at the Parish Council meeting of 11th January 2021.

The Clerk was asked to prepare a 'standstill' budget for the next Parish Council meeting in December 2020, and to include provision for road safety work in this budget.

786 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Cllr Stan Davies (Cheshire East Council) did not attend the meeting and gave his apologies.

787 COVID-19 REVIEW

It was reported that Cllr Thomas was still in touch with volunteers and vulnerable people and that all in the parish had been contacted and offered assistance. A notice had also been posted on the Burland and District Facebook page.

788 HIGHWAY MATTERS/SPEED WATCH

The Parish Council considered highways issues in the parish and affecting the parish.

788.1 Flooding in the Parish

Cllr Pochin reported that he had tried to contact Cheshire East Council regarding the flooding issues of last year in the parish and where the Environment Agency were up to in their work but got no response. The Clerk will ask Cllr Pochin to email again if no response had been received by the end of November 2020. The Council noted that the flooding issue of last year had been dealt with but would like feedback on the meetings that have taken place.

788.2 Road Safety Issues

Cllr Pochin reported that he had received further correspondence from the local MP including a response from Cheshire East about the road safety situation. The letter stated that the Council is not willing to take any further action in relation to speed limits on the A534. A copy of this letter is included with these minutes. Cllr Pochin agreed to get some costs together on providing signage and other measures on the main road.

789.3 Speed Gun

It was reported that there had not been much activity and it was agreed that Cllr Thompson would send a text around to gauge interest. It was further reported that Cllr Thompson had contacted Cllr Long at Brindley and Faddiley Parish Council but had not heard anything back. Cllr Warburton said that she would go out again.

788.4 Location of SID

It was reported that one SID had been located in Burland and the other Ravensmoor. It was requested that data is taken off the devices to include references to time/date and also location. It was also agreed that a log is kept of this information and a report sent around each quarter with this information included. It was requested that an approach to TWM is made to see if this can be done and whether the information can be gathered using mobile phones. It was requested that Worleston PC is contacted to ask how they go about taking their data off their SID, together with other price information on their equipment. It was proposed to retain each SID in its current location.

788.5 Gritting in the Parish

Cllr Thomas reported on this matter – Cheshire East Council is looking to reduce the number of roads in the borough which are gritted. This has been based on a risk assessment exercise encompassing a range of criteria. The reductions will be implemented from 2021 onwards. A consultation process has been put in place, where a form setting out additional information measured against certain risk criteria needed to be completed by 20th November 2020. The roads to be taken off the gritting list in the existing plans are Swanley Lane and Long Lane. Given that both roads go through more than one parish, a joint response will be put together and sent to Cheshire East Council. It was hoped that Cheshire East Councillors could help with this matter.

789 PLANNING MATTERS

789.1 Planning Applications

The following planning application had been received by the Parish Council.

20/4820N Pear Tree Farm, Tally Ho Lane, Burland CW5 8PG

The application was for a replacement outbuilding to provide ancillary accommodation.

The Parish Council had no objections to this application.

789.2 Local Plan

Cheshire East Council informed the Parish Council that it was consulting on some planning documents relating to the Local Plan. A session with CEC was offered on this and other planning matters.

790 COMMUNICATIONS/SHARED INFORMATION

- Enforcement Issues – no updates
- Insight Magazine – no updates
- Footpaths – it was reported that footpaths needed to be cleared
- Police – it was reported that additional resource is in the area made up of PC/PCSO. Cllr Thompson will contact PCSO about sharing information on Facebook

791 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be on Monday 14th December 2020.

.....Chairman

The meeting commenced at 7.30 pm and concluded at 9.00pm



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DATE: 1st October 2020

OUR REF: MP 8217581

Dear Mr Timpson

RE: A534 report

Thank you for your further correspondence dated 7th September 2020 which has been forwarded to us for a response by our Chief Executive, Lorraine O'Donnell.

As previously advised in our response dated 15th May 2020, the contents of the report submitted by Mr Pochin will be discussed with the police during our next liaison meeting which is yet to take place. We will provide a full response following the meeting.

Whenever new road safety measures are implemented this is done using an evidence-led approach. Cheshire East Highways use a software programme called MAST which uses data from the Department for Transport to prioritise routes for road safety measures. MAST calculates a Collision Density Index for each route based on the number of collisions per km of road. These values are then compared against all routes of the same class (A class road, B class road etc.) within the same highway authority to provide a 100-based Collision Density Index.

An index value of 50 indicates collision density is half the expected value, whilst an index value of 200 suggests it is twice the expected value. An index value of 100 indicates that the collision density is in line with segments of the same class within the same authority.

The value for the A534 between Nantwich Road and the junction with the A49 is 56.25, approximately half the expected value for this type of road. As a result, the road would be classed as a low priority for new safety measures when compared with other routes within Cheshire East.

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We hope the above information is of assistance to you.

Yours sincerely

The Cheshire East Highways Team



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