

## Gawsworth Parish Council

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### Minutes

*of the council meeting held*  
**Tuesday 10<sup>th</sup> July 2018**

- 18/045 Present**  
Cllrs Woods (*presiding*), Richards, Briercliffe, Briggs, Smetham and Tyrrell
- A Keppel-Green (*Parish Clerk*)
- 18/046 To receive apologies for absence**  
Apologies were received from Cllrs Simpson and Lawton.
- 18/047 To note the declaration of members' interests**  
No member declared an interest in any item.
- 18/048<sup>1</sup> Public Participation**  
A resident enquired about the consultation process for the proposed mast on Pennington's Lane. It was explained that the Clerk was checking schedules for a prior-approval planning notice.
- A resident enquired if there had been any update on the Dark Lane project.
- 18/049 To confirm the minutes of the meeting held June 12<sup>th</sup> 2018**  
It was **RESOLVED** to approve the minutes subject to adding Cllr Richards to the attendance list.
- 18/050 To consider matters related to the proposed mast on Pennington's Lane**  
Alternative sites for the mast were discussed and it was agreed that preferred sites should be put forward. It was further agreed to request the agents meet with the council in advance of a public meeting to discuss these sites.
- 18/051 To consider matters related to the affordable housing project on Dark Lane**  
It was noted that there had been no planning application submitted and no update from Cheshire East Council as to when it might be.

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<sup>1</sup> Cllr Briercliffe arrived during this item.

- 18/052 To consider planning application 18/2976M – Fodens Farm, Woodhouse End Road**  
It was **RESOLVED** to raise no objections subject to planning officers being satisfied that the ‘u-shaped’ shape of development previously considered unacceptable is deemed acceptable.
- 18/053 To receive reports of Parish Matters**  
Cllr Smetham reported that Gawsorth School had asked if any elderly residents required any help with gardening from the school’s gardening club.
- It was reported that tarmac by the Lych Gate was breaking up at the edge. It was further reported that the ginnel from Benbrook Way to the field still required clearing.
- It was reported that the WI had made a pot and it was agreed that it be placed on the Pleasance.
- 18/054 To consider an update from the Communications working group including to consider the costs of producing a monthly newssheet**  
It was **RESOLVED** to do a one-off trial newssheet at a cost of £65 and review. It was noted that the working group was looking at producing a welcome pack.
- 18/055 To consider an update from the Park and Woodland working group**  
Cllr Tyrrell reported that a long term plan was being looked at with the priority being drainage. The Clerk was asked to hasten in seeking quotes for drainage works.
- 18/056 To consider an update in respect of a meeting held with the Leader of Cheshire East Council to discuss the Compliance and Ethics report**  
It was noted that the meeting was held with the Leader and Portfolio Holder for Planning. Whilst no answers were given, the councillors in attendance were able to raise concerns and Cllr Bailey undertook to investigate the highways concerns raised.
- 18/057 To consider commissioning of consultants to draft the Neighbourhood Plan policies**  
It was **RESOLVED** to commission Cheshire Community Action subject to it being covered by grant funding.
- 18/058 To commission a tree survey for council owned land**  
It was **RESOLVED** to commission the survey subject to the clerk obtaining a quote from Tree Style Consultancy first.
- 18/059 To consider a response to the Cheshire East Council Well Managed Highways Infrastructure Consultation**  
It was agreed that the Clerk circulate the information received from Cheshire East Council and that this be considered at the next meeting.

**18/060 To consider financial matters**

**a) To consider the Council's financial position year to date**

**b) To note and approve payments**

a) The council's position year to date was noted.

b) It was **RESOLVED** to approve the payments detailed below.

**18/061<sup>2</sup> To consider a report from Cheshire East Councillor(s)**

The report circulated by Cllr Smetham highlighted that Cheshire East was organising a programme of commemorative events for the centenary of the end of WWI. It was also noted that the council would be introducing food waste recycling.

**18/062 To consider the Parish Maintenance Log**

The log was noted. It was noted the hedges by the Old Police House required trimming.

**18/063 To consider the Actions Log**

The log was noted.

**18/064 Member questions to the clerk**

It was enquired if the Village Hall Committee send minutes to the Clerk; the Clerk confirmed he received minutes of the annual meetings.

A discussion was held on the village settlement boundary and it was agreed that it should not be amended unless there was a significantly good reason to do so.

**18/065 To note the dates of forthcoming meetings including to consider moving the October meeting date to 2<sup>nd</sup> or 16<sup>th</sup> October**

It was **RESOLVED** to move the October meeting to Tuesday 16<sup>th</sup>.

**PAYMENT SCHEDULE**

Payee	Chq Ref	Detail	Amount Paid
Royal Mail	300224	NP Survey Returns	1.68
Northwich Town Council	300225	Park / Handyman June	964.80
A Keppel-Green	300226	Printer, Toner and Paper	407.92
A Keppel-Green	300227	June Salary and Mileage	451.48
HMRC	300228	Q1 PAYE	313.20
Gort and March	300229	Q1 Payroll	30.00
		<b>Total</b>	<b>2,169.08</b>

<sup>2</sup> Cllrs Briercliffe and Tyrrell left during this item.