

# Mollington Parish Council

**Minutes of the Meeting of the Parish Council** held on Tuesday 1 May 2018 at Mollington, Backford & District Village Hall

**Present:** Councillors Angus MacSween, Phil Crane Brian Crowe and Mike Jones

**In Attendance:** Mrs Pauline English (Parish Clerk) and one resident

## **Councillor Mike Jones in the Chair**

### **18.23 ELECTION OF CHAIRMAN**

Councillor Phil Crane was proposed by Councillor Brian Crowe and seconded by Councillor Mike Jones. There being no other nominations, Councillor Phil Crane was duly elected Chairman of the Parish Council for the year 2018-19.

## **Councillor Phil Crane in the Chair**

### **18.24 APPOINTMENT OF VICE-CHAIRMAN**

Councillor Mike Jones was proposed by Councillor Brian Crowe and seconded by Councillor Phil Crane. There being no other nominations, Councillor Mike Jones was appointed Vice-Chairman of the Parish Council for the year 2018-19.

### **18.25 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE**

Councillor Mike Riley

### **18.26 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST**

None

### **18.27 PUBLIC SPEAKING TIME**

The Parish Council was updated on progress with the B4RN broadband scheme in the Puddington and Capenhurst areas and how that might be rolled out in the future to cover Mollington, Lea and Backford. The Parish Council supported the proposal for a small team of representatives of these parishes to be formed and agreed that Councillor Phil Crane should be the Parish Council's representative on that team.

### **18.28 MINUTES**

It was resolved that the Minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 6 March 2018 be confirmed as a correct record subject to the words "Power Station" being substituted with the words "Fire Station" in Minute

### **18.29 VACANCY FOR A COUNCILLOR**

The Parish Council was reminded that there were still two vacancies on the Parish Council and that it would be useful to have these vacancies filled before the deadline of six months prior to the next elections in May 2019.

### **18.30 REVIEW OF STANDING ORDERS AND FINANCIAL REGULATIONS**

The Parish Council reviewed its Standing Orders and Financial Regulations and its other policies and resolved that Standing Orders should be updated in line with the Model Standing Orders recently issued by NALC. Any changes to other policies as a result of the adoption of the Model Standing Orders should be reported to the Parish Council.

### **18.31 OUTSIDE BODIES**

Representation on the following bodies was noted:

- (a) Backford Trust: Councillors Brian Crowe and Angus MacSween
- (b) War Memorial Trust: Appointment to be made by Backford Parish Council
- (c) Village Hall Committee: Councillor Phil Crane

### **18.32 ANNUAL GOVERNANCE STATEMENT**

It was resolved that a special meeting be held on 23 May 2018 to deal with this item.

### **18.33 ACCOUNTING STATEMENTS 2017/18**

It was resolved that a special meeting be held on 23 May 2018 to deal with this item

### **18.34 PLANNING**

No planning applications had been received and no decisions taken by Cheshire West and Chester Council (CWaC) since the last meeting.

In relation to the decision about Oakdene, Councillor Crowe had spoken to the Planning Officer and had been told that the approved proposal was for much less than the original application. The Clerk would check the Officer's report on the CWaC website.

#### **18.35 HIGHWAYS, PUBLIC RIGHTS OF WAY AND AMENITY CLEANING**

No issues raised.

#### **18.36 MOLLINGTON SCHOOL AND PLAYING FIELD**

Nothing to report

#### **18.37 VILLAGE HALL**

The application for Lottery Funding had been partially successful at stage 2. To complete the application a Project Development Plan and a Business Plan had to be submitted within six months. The original plans had been scrapped and new plans were currently being drawn. It was resolved that when these had been completed the Parish Council would submit the planning application.

#### **18.38 CHANGES TO DATA PROTECTION LEGISLATION**

It was resolved that this should be referred to the special meeting on 23 May 2018.

#### **18.39 LOVE WHERE YOU LIVE**

It was reported that CWaC had re-branded its street cleansing and maintenance teams which would now be called StreetCare Services. IMPACT days were to be held to introduce the local teams and encourage community engagement. It was resolved that there should be some representation from the Parish Council at the IMPACT days once the dates had been announced. Residents were encouraged to report environmental issues via the website [www.westcheshireyourstreets.co.uk](http://www.westcheshireyourstreets.co.uk)

#### **18.40 COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT – SELF CARE TRAINING**

NHS South Cheshire Clinical Commissioning Group was planning a free one-hour training workshop for parish councillors interested in finding out more about the benefits of Self-Care. It was resolved that either Councillor MacSween or Councillor Crowe should attend the workshop once the date had been confirmed.

#### **18.41 FINANCE**

(1) **Payments:** It was resolved that the following payments be approved:

Date	Method		Amount
13.03.18	BACS	HMRC-Income Tax	65.85
29.03.18	S/O	Parish Clerk – salary March	130.40
31.03.18	Bank	Service Charge	18.00
03.04.18	S/O	Amenity Cleaner – wages March	166.40
11.04.18	BACS	A MacSween – maintenance materials	110.60
12.04.18	BACS	Village Hall – Room Hire (x3)	48.00
16.04.18	BACS	CWaC – Field Licence	300.00
30.04.18	S/O	Amenity Cleaner – wages April	169.73

(2) **Balance** as at 6 March 2018 was £15,384.28.

(3) It was resolved that Councillor Phil Crane should become a bank signatory in place of Councillor Charlesworth

#### **18.42 ITEMS FOR INFORMATION AND NEXT MEETING**

(1) It was reported that a bus stop sign had been painted on the road by the fingerpost, despite the fact that Mollington no longer had a bus service. The Clerk would raise this with CWaC.

(2) It was noted that Parish Councils had been invited to a meeting with the Police and Crime Commissioner on 8 May 2018 and it was agreed that no-one should attend.

#### **18.43 DATE AND TIME OF NEXT MEETING**

Wednesday 23 May 2018 at 7.30pm – Special Meeting