

Guilden Sutton Parish Council**Minutes of the meeting held Wednesday 10th January 2018 at 7.30pm**

Chairman: Cllr S Ringstead

Present: Cllrs Brown, Hughes, Moulton, and Roberts.

Clerk: Mrs K Lowe

In attendance: 4 members of the public.

1. PROCEDURAL MATTERS

- a. Apologies from Cllr Davis (work commitments) and Cllr Paterson (holiday) were received and accepted. Apologies were also received from Cllrs M and S Parker and PC Boulton.
- b. There were no new declarations of interest and no dispensations sought.
- c. It was proposed by Cllr Roberts and seconded by Cllr Ringstead to accept the minutes of the previous meeting. RESOLVED unanimously to accept the minutes of the meeting held on 6th December as a true and accurate record of the meeting. The Chairman signed the minutes of the meeting.
- d. Dates of future meetings. The Clerk has previously circulated a list of proposed meeting dates for 2018 as follows:

Wednesday 7th February

Wednesday 7th March

Wednesday 4th April

Wednesday 2nd May

- e. The Clerk has received an email from democratic services to confirm that no election has been requested following the vacancy advertisement. The council will therefore look to co-opt a new member who will serve until elections take place in 2019. Expressions of interest to be forwarded to the Clerk by 1st February.

Cllr Brown joined the meeting at 7.37pm

2. COMMUNITY ENGAGEMENT

- a. Visiting Officers – There were no visiting officers in attendance.
- b. Visiting Members – There were no visiting members in attendance at the meeting.
- c. Members of the public speaking time – Mr Lewin complained about the minutes for the village website. A member of the public requested the Parish Council to support the idea of a footpath between Guilden Sutton and Meadow Lea, the Chair advised this was under consideration by the NDP group. A member of the public complained about Arts Fair signs being left up after the event in November. A member of the public complained about water and ice on Porters Hill. Mr Stewart gave a brief update on actions he has taken to arrange speed gun training for those involved in the speedwatch project.
- d. Noticeboard

The Clerk has requested an invoice from Men in Sheds for the work on the noticeboard but has not yet received one.

e. Website

Mr Lewin had made comment about receiving minutes for the website under public participation and there was nothing else to report.

f. Newsletter

There was no new information to report.

g. Report from Local Surgery

The Local Surgery took place on 6th January, Cllrs Moulton, Ringstead and Roberts were in attendance and the following matters were raised:

1. Water under the A55 bridge on Guilden Sutton Lane
2. Ongoing concerns about local bus service
3. The lack of a play area for older children in the village. On this point Cllr Brown and Hughes will meet and bring thoughts back to the next meeting to see if there are any plans that could be developed around the extension of the play area next to the school which members have been discussing for some time.

The next surgery will take place on Saturday 3rd February 2018.

3. PLANNING

a. New/recent applications

- A new application had been received for 34 School Lane 18/00013/FUL for extensions to the side and rear of the property. It was noted that the applicant was Cllr Davis, not present at the meeting. The Chair and Vice Chair will visit and feedback to members their thoughts on the application.

b. New Planning Decisions

17/04185/FUL Willowcroft – Approval

c. Section 106 monies

There was no new information to report.

d. Neighbourhood Plan

The next meeting takes place 15th January

- e. Members had no comments to make on Local Plan Part Two which had been circulated prior to the meeting.

4. TRAINING.

Three members will attend the joint ChALC and CWaC planning session at Cheshire View on 30th January 6pm for 6.30.

Mr Stewart has organised a Training Session in Speed Management and the use of a Speed Gun for 25th January 2-3pm with Ian Rutherford, Senior Technician CWaC in the Committee Room at the Village Hall.

5. PARISH CAR PARK

A sandstone wall has been damaged in the car park. The Chair has spoken to Mr Hamilton who may be able to repair it. Cllr Ringstead has photos of the damage.

ACTION: Cllr Ringstead to forward the photographs to the Clerk

ACTION: Clerk to check insurance information to see if the repair might be covered.

6. LEISURE SERVICES

a. Grass cutting

There was no new information to report.

b. Playing Field

There was no new information to report.

c. Footpaths / Footways.

The steps near the flyover between the A55 and Heath Bank remain overgrown, the Clerk will follow this up.

There are issues with moss on Cinder Lane.

Both of these will be reported by the Clerk.

d. Mobile Library – The mobile library is next in the village on 15th January. If it is not used the village will lose the service so all members and residents are encouraged to borrow a book.

7. PUBLIC TRANSPORT.

There was no new information to report at this meeting.

8. HIGHWAYS

a. SID Group – The SID group is now taking a winter break. Training in the use of a speed gun will take place 25th January at the Village Hall.

b. Standing Consideration of Highways matters – The flood under the A55 in Guilden Sutton Lane has caused damage to the grass verges as it was not clearly signposted and this has caused cars to turn late and leave tyre tracks in the grass.

9. FINANCE

a. Income – non received.

b. Payments

As a cheque was not issued at the last meeting for the Poppy Wreath the cash collected by members was given directly to Sue Davis to settle the account.

The following payments were approved:

Christmas Lights competition prize £10

Mrs P Blythe Playing Field Rent £160

Clerk pay January £329.60

Website costs £44.32

- c. The payment schedule was accepted. *Attached with these minutes. The latest bank statement was checked and signed.
- d. Discussion took place over the Parish Council budget for 2018-19, this was set at £22325. It was proposed to increase the precept by 5% to meet rising costs by Cllr Brown and this was seconded by Cllr Hughes. RESOLVED unanimously.
The precept as set will raise approximately £18k the remaining monies will be made up from Parish Council reserves.

10. ENVIRONMENT

- a. Streetscene – There were no new matters to report.
- b. Dog fouling – There were no new matters to report.
- c. Trees and hedges, planters and bulbs – The hedges have been cut on Station Lane. No action has been taken on Green Lane as yet, overhanging hedges and a slippery surface with debris on the road remains hazardous.

There has been some damage to the sandstone column at the memorial garden, the work required to fix this will be investigated.

11. CWAC and other organisations

- a. CWAC correspondence – Clerk reported that correspondence had been received from the Boundary commission review and due to an extension for some areas the final results are not expected until early March.
- b. ChALC/NALC – No new information to report
- c. CPRE – No new information to report.
- d. Defibrillator – No new information to report.
- e. Police and Fire – Cllr Ringstead urged all members to respond to the consultation about the closure of Mickle Trafford police station which can be found at www.cheshire-pcc.gov.uk

12. GILDEN SUTTON PRIMARY SCHOOL

No new information to report, the school have been on Christmas holidays.

13. COMMUNITY EVENTS

The Quiz will take place 3rd March 2018.

14. VILLAGE HALL MANAGEMENT COMMITTEE

There was no new information to report.

15. MEMBERS INFORMATION AND SPEAKING TIME

There was no new information to report.

The meeting closed at 9.05pm

Next Meeting Wednesday 7th February 2018 starting at 7.30pm