

# ASHTON HAYES and HORTON-cum-PEEL PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Monday 9<sup>th</sup> July 2018 at 7.30pm.  
In The Parish Room, West End, Ashton Hayes.

## MINUTES

**Present:** Cllr J Colville – Chairperson  
Cllr B Craven  
Cllr N Deynem  
Cllr I Dossett  
Cllr D Rounthwaite  
Cllr D Wilson  
Cllr E Johnson (CWaC)

**Clerk** Kirsty Lowe  
**Members of the public:** 1

**1. APOLOGIES**

Cllr P Varey

**2. DECLARATION OF INTERESTS**

Cllr Dossett and Cllr Wilson declared an interest in the Golden Lion item as members of the Pub Working Group.

Cllr Rounthwaite declared an interest in the A54 junction item as he knows people involved in three of the accidents.

**3. ACCEPTANCE OF MINUTES.**

RESOLVED unanimously to accept the minutes as a true record of the meeting of 12<sup>th</sup> June 2018.

**4. PUBLIC PARTICIPATION**

Members of the public raised the following issues:

- Parking issues on Gongar Lane/Peel Crescent, the PCSO will continue to monitor the situation.
- Discussions about the ongoing ownership issues relating to the Millenium Footway took place after an email from the Highways Department explaining that Cheshire West and Chester do not own the land. It was agreed a way forward might be to advertise the proposals of the work the Parish council wishes to do and ask anyone with a claim to or interest in the land to come forward.
- The footpath between the Equity development and the Methodist Chapel is very overgrown, Equity should be restoring this as part of their plans.

- The survey about Broadband has had a good response with approximately 50 properties showing an interest in the scheme. Information on the proposals will be included in the next Around Ashton.
- Cllr Colville confirmed the Highways department did not maintain Cheshire railings and that these were the responsibility of the land owner.
- Cllr E Johnson explained that the Polo Fest event, originally planned for a location off Nortons Lane has now been relocated to Chester Lakes which should resolve the concerns of local residents.

## 5. **PLANNING**

The planning register was accepted to date.

18/02120/FUL Grooms Cottage. There were no objections to this application.

18/02319/TPO Bottom Lodge. There were no objections to this application.

18/02484/CAT The Ranch House. There were no objections to this application.

Cllrs Dossett and Craven will consider Holly Cottage and circulate their comments.

### Equity update

Equity are planning an official opening event for a Friday in September, they are interested to hear about an update on the school greenhouse project using recycled milk bottles. Queries about the lighting had been considered and they had responded to say that the lighting was designed and agreed with Cheshire West and Chester Highways Department and is fully compliant with British standards.

## 6. **ACCOUNTS**

The Cash Book was approved to date.

Ongoing difficulties with Barclays bank were discussed and it was agreed that Cllr Colville and Cllr Wilson would arrange a meeting at Barclays to get the contact details updated. The Clerk will also attend if available.

The following payments were approved:

Came and Co Insurance £739.62

HMRC £263.80

Clerk expenses £55.55

Autela payroll £51.84

Clerk pay July £351.74

Ashton Hayes Gardening Club £136.80

Village Farm had been visited by Cllrs Craven and Dossett There were no major objections to the application but in keeping with the NDP members would like the hedging to be replaced with native hedging and that the hedging is continued around the corner into the new entrance so that the gap is not so obvious from the road.

It was noted that 18/01200/FUL 2 Ivy Cottage, Longley Lane, Kelsall was refused by Cheshire West and Chester while 11 Peel Hall Lane was approved.

### Equity Housing Development

Equity had provided some information on the take up of rental properties by local residents or those with a connection to the area.

There remain 5 unsold shared ownership properties.

Equity had also explained that the orange coloured lighting was temporary and would be replaced once suitable bulbs were available. Members still considered that the lighting density was not suitable for the rural location.

Equity had responded that parking was laid out as to the approved plans.

**7. HIGHWAYS**

Cllr Rounthwaite reported that the Speed Indicator Device (SID) had been used in the village and that the data provided to the police had prompted them to also undertake speed checks in the area. The SID will return during August

Cllr Johnson reported that CWAC is pulling a report together on the A54 junction, Cllr Johnson has suggested that he has a discussion with Cheshire Fire Service to discuss proposed improvements prior to the report being published.

Work on the bushes and trees to improve the A54 layby will begin week commencing 17<sup>th</sup> September. The police have suggested that a Traffic Road Order (TRO) be put in place as a first step to prevent overnight parking, this would limit parking to a maximum two hours with no return within 6 hours. If this plan of action proved unsuccessful then the council could lobby to have further steps taken.

**8. WILDFLOWER AND BULB DIVERSITY PLAN**

Cllr Dossett and Cllr Craven will discuss possible sites within the village where this could be implemented. Cllr Dossett will attend the Gowy Forum at Alvanley Village Hall on 16<sup>th</sup> July to gather further information.

**9. ASHTON HAYES COMMUNITY ACTION PROGRAMME**

A separate meeting is needed to discuss the action programme. Cllr Colville will email out for dates.

A licence to place a Community Resilience Box was agreed and signed by the Clerk witnessed by Cllr Colville the Chair.

**10. GOLDEN LION**

A further meeting with Alison Armstrong at Cheshire West and Chester will take place on 10<sup>th</sup> July. There will be further discussions around funding.

**11. AROUND ASHTON**

The following items were suggested for inclusion in the next Around Ashton

- A54
- Highways update
- Planning matters
- Wildflower and bulb diversity

**12.**

The meeting closed at 9pm The next meeting takes place 10<sup>th</sup> September 2018

Signed:..... Dated:.....



