

# OVER ALDERLEY PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD

MONDAY 20<sup>TH</sup> JANUARY, 2020 at 7:45p.m.

at OVER ALDERLEY & BIRTLES READING ROOM, BIRTLES LANE, OVER ALDERLEY.

PRESENT - Councillors: D. Burns (Chairman), S. Pett, I. Beaumont, S. Clarke, J. Wilson.  
Members of the Public (2).  
Dr. E. M. Maddock - Clerk & Responsible Financial Officer.

1. **APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE** - Councillor D. Caplin - Personal commitment.  
Councillor D. Folkes - No reason provided.  
Cheshire East Borough Councillor P. Findlow.

**01/20 RESOLVED a) That the apologies for absence, as listed above, be received and approved.**

Proposed Councillor D. Burns                      Seconded: Councillor I. Beaumont                      All in favour

2. **DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST** - None.

3. **MINUTES** -

- i) The Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 had been previously circulated to all Members.

**02/20 RESOLVED a) That the Minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held 18<sup>th</sup> November, 2019 be confirmed as a correct record and signed by the Chairman.**

Proposed Councillor I. Beaumont                      Seconded: Councillor D. Burns                      All in favour

4. **PUBLIC FORUM FOR QUESTIONS** -

A resident raised concern about the temporary traffic lights which have been located on Macclesfield Road for some time.

**DECISION a) That the Clerk request an update from Cheshire East Council in respect of the temporary traffic lights on Macclesfield Road.**

5. **REPORTS FROM EXTERNAL ORGANISATIONS** -

- i) **Macclesfield Local Policing Team** - No police officers were available to attend the meeting, however, a written report had been made available which identified that, since 1<sup>st</sup> December, 2019, there had been no incidents within the Parish. It was noted that a new PCSO had been allocated, on a temporary basis, to the Prestbury Ward.

- ii) **Cheshire East Ward Member Cllr. P. Findlow** - Borough Councillor P. Findlow was not present at the meeting.

- iii) **Local Parish Cluster Meetings - 02/10/19 & 06/11/19** - Councillor S. Clarke reported that the meetings, attended by representatives from a number of Parish Councils, were presently focussing on dealing with highway matters and Police matters.

7:53p.m. - Councillor J. Wilson joined the meeting.

- iv) **Cheshire East Council - Town & Parish Council Conference - 20<sup>th</sup> November, 2019** - The Clerk reported that she had attended the event at which Cheshire East Council outlined the environmental strategy which is being adopted to improve environmental management within the Borough. There are plans to increase recycling opportunities, including the launch of food recycling in January 2020, and to promote sustainable development. Work is continuing to implement the transition from a Leader and Cabinet system to a full Committee system for decision making at Cheshire East Council. A review is being undertaken of the Site Allocations and Development Policies Document which forms part of the Cheshire East Local Plan. The Cheshire East Council Budget is being prepared and will be presented to Council for approval in February, 2020. A Community Governance Review is being undertaken to ensure that present arrangements, including number of Councillors and Parish Boundaries, for Town & Parish Councils are appropriate. Cheshire East Council is also reviewing whether to continue to elect a Borough Mayor.

6. **FINANCE** -

- i) **Financial Statement 2019/20 as at 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2020.** (Appendix A)

Members considered the financial statement 2019/20 which was unanimously accepted.

- ii) **To authorise the following payments** -

a) Cheque No. 000296 Mr. D. Hobson                      £50.30 Replacement notice board - Festival Drive.

- iii) **Receipts** - the Clerk reported that the following receipts had been received since the last meeting:

a) NatWest Bank plc. - Business Reserve Account                      £0.42 Gross Interest - October, 2019.

b) NatWest Bank plc. - Business Reserve Account                      £0.40 Gross Interest - November, 2019.

c) NatWest Bank plc. - Business Reserve Account                      £0.44 Gross Interest - December, 2019.

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d) Allotment Rental 2019/20	£29.16 Invoice 03/2019.
e) Allotment Rental 2019/20	£15.04 Invoice 04/2019.
f) Allotment Rental 2019/20	£30.39 Invoice 05/2019.

**03/20 RESOLVED a) That the Statement of Account, as at 20<sup>th</sup> January, 2020 be received and the Clerk's observations duly noted.**

**b) That the schedule of 1 payment be approved and duly authorised.**

**c) That the report on receipts since the last meeting be received and duly noted.**

Proposed Councillor S. Clarke

Seconded: Councillor S. Pett

All in favour

## 7. CORRESPONDENCE -

i) To consider the specific correspondence received by the Parish Council since the date of the last ordinary meeting and to determine such action as Members consider appropriate thereto:

a) **Cheshire East Council - Community Governance Review - Part 1 Consultation.**

**DECISION a) That no response be submitted to the above consultation.**

b) **Cheshire East Council - Notification of the final, approved taxbase for 2020/21.** The Clerk reported that the taxbase had now been approved by Cheshire East Council. A small adjustment to the provisional figure will result in a small increase to the charge applied to each property within the Parish.

**DECISION a) To receive and note the final, approved taxbase notification and the report of the Clerk.**

c) **Cheshire Fire Authority - Draft Integrated Risk Management Plan 2020-2024 consultation.**

**DECISION a) That no response be submitted to the consultation.**

ii) To note other correspondence received since the date of the last meeting. (Appendix B)

**DECISION a) That items of correspondence be received and noted.**

## 8. PLANNING APPLICATIONS -

i) **To receive the latest planning schedule and discuss new applications.** (Appendix C)

Members noted that two planning decisions had been issued by Cheshire East Council in respect of development within the Parish since the last meeting.

**19/5614M** - Members did not raise any comments in respect of this planning application.

**04/20 RESOLVED a) That no comment be submitted in respect of planning application 19/5614M.**

Proposed Councillor I. Beaumont

Seconded: Councillor J. Wilson

All in favour

ii) **Update in respect of queries raised about development associated with planning application 17/4030M (Lower Yew Tree Farm, Birtles Lane).** There was nothing to report.

## 9. HIGHWAY MAINTENANCE & ENHANCEMENTS -

i) **Update on outstanding highway matters -**

- Signage repairs had not yet been completed.
- Flood on Prestbury Road, near to Hare Hill, has not yet been resolved.
- Footway condition near to Brook Cottage, School Lane - no update available.
- Borough Councillor P. Findlow had submitted an application for surface patching to be undertaken on Macclesfield Road near to the junction with Dirty Lane.
- Road surface deterioration on Prestbury Road near to junction with Greyhound Lane - no update available.
- Blocked gullies on School Lane (near to properties 1-4) - no update available.
- Potholes (2) on School Lane (opposite to Brook Cottage) - no update available.

ii) **To receive highway matters for attention from Members -**

- Temporary traffic lights on Macclesfield Road (as reported at Item 4).
- Macclesfield Road (near to junction with Prestbury Road) - sunken gullies (2).

**DECISION a) That the Clerk report the above issues to Cheshire East Council and seek updates for outstanding issues.**

## 10. COMMUNITY -

i) **Over Alderley Primary School Charity** - There was nothing to report.

ii) **Update on Superfast Broadband Provision within Parish** - Councillor I. Beaumont reported that a group of residents were working together to investigate possible options to improve the broadband provision to their properties. It was noted that no further broadband roll-outs were planned by Connecting Cheshire.

iii) **Ashbrook Road Allotments** - The Clerk reported that the clearance of the vacant plot had been delayed due to

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inclement weather. The work will be undertaken as soon as possible. Invoices had now been issued to allotment holders.

- iv) **Red Telephone Kiosk within Parish** - The Clerk reported that two offers to purchase the telephone kiosk had been received. It was agreed that the kiosk should be sold to the bidder offering the greater price. Members suggested that consideration should be given to using the funds for community benefit e.g. to provide a parish feature or to hold a local event.

- 05/20 RESOLVED**
- a) **That the telephone kiosk be sold to the bidder offering £850 for the kiosk.**
  - b) **That an article be placed in the Monthly Messenger to notify residents that the kiosk will be removed.**
  - c) **That further consideration be given, at a future meeting, for possible uses for the funds arising from the sale of the telephone kiosk.**

Proposed Councillor I. Beaumont

Seconded: Councillor S. Pett

All in favour

- v) **Alderley Park Liaison Committee** - Councillor I. Beaumont reported that the main issue discussed at the meetings which was relevant to Over Alderley was the release of funding for improvement works at the Reading Room. Discussions were still ongoing relating to the release of the funds, however, it is hopeful that this should take place in the near future. It was reported that there may be further funds available to Over Alderley Parish, by way of Community Infrastructure Levy (CIL) associated with planning application 19/3286M, due to an increased number of properties being built on the Alderley Park site.

Councillor I. Beaumont reported that he had raised the concerns about bridleway provision within the Alderley Park site. It appears that the bridleway provision has been amended due to changes in land availability which led to difficulties in managing the needs of both pedestrians and equestrian users of the site.

Councillor S. Pett expressed concern about light pollution originating from the Alderley Park site which was affecting the Hocker Lane area of the Parish. It appears that this issue is also being exacerbated by tree felling within the site. It was suggested that details of the tree felling work and proposed mitigation for light pollution be requested. In addition, an access point had been advertised along Hocker Lane which was causing access problems for local residents due to visitors parking in the area.

- DECISION**
- a) **That the update from the Alderley Park Liaison Committee be received and duly noted.**
  - b) **That enquiries be made to Alderley Park regarding tree felling and light pollution.**
  - c) **That the Clerk contact Nether Alderley Parish Council regarding the highway issues being experienced at Hocker Lane to request that they support the view that visitors to the site should be directed to the main access points.**

- vi) **Parish Council Notice Boards** -

- a) **Festival Drive** - The Clerk reported that the new notice board had been installed.
- b) **St. Catherine's Church** - The resident reported that he would be completing the installation of the new notice board in the near future.

11. **MATTERS FOR INCLUSION ON NEXT/FUTURE MEETING AGENDA** - None.

12. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING** - Monday 16<sup>th</sup> March, 2020 at 7:45p.m. at Over Alderley & Birtles Reading Room.  
**To consider passing a resolution under Section 1(2) of the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 (Section 100(a) of the Local Government Act 1972) to exclude the public and press from the meeting for the following item of business on the grounds that it could involve the likely disclosure of exempt information.**

- DECISION**
- a) **That a resolution to exclude the Public and Press from the remainder of the Meeting was not necessary as no items were to be considered at Item 13.**

13. **MATTERS FOR CONSIDERATION INCLUDING THOSE TRANSFERRED FROM ABOVE ITEMS** -

None.

The Meeting was declared closed by the Chairman at 8:55 p.m.

Signed: .....

Approval Date - 15<sup>th</sup> March, 2021

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APPENDIX A

Financial Statement - 2019/20					
as at 20th January, 2020					
Actual 2018/19 £.	Details	2019/20 Budget £.	Actual to Nov. 19 £.	Agenda Jan. 20 £.	Budget Balance £.
<b>Receipts</b>					
3,150.00	Precept	3,295.00	3,295.00		0.00
0.00	Balances	0.00	0.00		0.00
3.08	Investment Interest	0.00	2.52	1.26	0.00
0.00	Sale of Assets	0.00	0.00		0.00
0.00	Grants, Donations & Refunds	0.00	0.00		0.00
166.46	Allotment Fees	0.00	0.00	74.59	0.00
33.71	V.A.T. Refund	0.00	50.65		33.23
<b>3,353.25</b>	<b>Total Receipts</b>	<b>3,295.00</b>	<b>3,348.17</b>	<b>75.85</b>	<b>33.23</b>
<b>Payments</b>					
908.16	Salary (Clerk)	930.00	0.00		930.00
0.00	National Insurance (Employer)	0.00	0.00		0.00
128.70	Allowances (Clerk)	120.00	0.00		120.00
0.00	Chairman/Member Allowances	0.00	0.00		0.00
25.94	Administration	50.00	0.00		50.00
99.00	Audit Fees (internal & external)	110.00	102.00		8.00
257.60	Insurance	300.00	0.00		300.00
1,000.00	Grant - Over Alderley & Birtles Reading Room	1,000.00	0.00		1,000.00
0.00	s.137 Donations	200.00	0.00		200.00
118.42	Allotments - Water Charges	145.00	43.09		101.91
126.08	Subscriptions/Affiliation Fees	135.00	95.40		39.60
90.00	Room Hire	105.00	0.00		105.00
0.00	Notice Board Maintenance	100.00	0.00	46.08	53.92
34.20	Contingency	100.00	0.00		100.00
50.65	V.A.T.		29.01	4.22	
<b>2,838.75</b>	<b>Total Payments</b>	<b>3,295.00</b>	<b>269.50</b>	<b>50.30</b>	<b>3,008.43</b>

Cash/Bank Reconciliation	01/04/19	18/11/19	20/01/20	31/03/20
Balance B/Fwd.	4,500.51	4,500.51	7,579.18	7,604.73
Add Total Receipts	0.00	3,348.17	75.85	33.23
Less Total Payments	0.00	-269.50	-50.30	-3,008.43
<b>Balance C/Fwd.</b>	<b>4,500.51</b>	<b>7,579.18</b>	<b>7,604.73</b>	<b>4,629.53</b>
<b>Cumulative Balances</b>				
	<b>Balance</b>	<b>Balance</b>	<b>Balance</b>	<b>Balance</b>
	<b>01/04/19</b>	<b>18/11/19</b>	<b>20/01/20</b>	<b>31/03/20</b>
General Funds	3,500.51	6,579.18	6,604.73	3,629.53
Earmarked Reserves	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00	1,000.00
	<b>4,500.51</b>	<b>7,579.18</b>	<b>7,604.73</b>	<b>4,629.53</b>

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## CASH/BANK RECONCILIATION AS AT - 20<sup>th</sup> January 2020

### CASH

Balance Brought Forward 01/04/19	
Current Account	2,015.37
Business Reserve Account	2,485.14
Plus Receipts	3,424.02
	<u>7,924.53</u>
Less Payments	319.80
Balance Carried Forward 20/01/20	<u><u>7,604.73</u></u>

### BANK (Natwest)

<b>Business Reserve Account -</b>	2,488.92		03/01/20
Add income/transfer received since above Statement			
	<u>0.00</u>		
Less unpresented cheques			
	<u>0.00</u>		
		2,488.92	20/01/20
<b>Current Account -</b>	5,166.11		03/01/20
Add income received since above Statement			
	<u>0.00</u>		
		0.00	
Less unpresented cheques/ Transfer			
Approved	0.00		
For approval	<u>-50.30</u>		
		<u>-50.30</u>	
		5,115.81	20/01/20
<b>Total Bank Balances 20/01/20</b>		<u><u>7,604.73</u></u>	

## APPENDIX B

### CORRESPONDENCE

#### Cheshire Association of Local Councils (ChALC)

- ChALC Weekly Bulletin - 15, 22, 28 November 2019; 6, 13, 20 December, 2019; 10 January 2020.
- Anti-bullying commission.
- Slides from Cheshire East Council Town & Parish Council Conference.
- Cheshire Pension Fund - Consultation Session.
- Cheshire Pension Fund - Update on Council Contribution Rates.
- Staff vacancy - ChALC Administrative Support Assistant.
- Staff vacancy - Gawsworth Community Hub.

#### Cheshire East Council

- Traffic Management LAP Reports - 14, 21, 28 November 2019; 5, 12, 19 December 2019; 2 January 2020.
- Notice of intention to dispose of selected red telephone kiosks.

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- Appointment of Director of Governance & Compliance and Monitoring Officer.
- Slides and Feedback forms following Town & Parish Council Conference.
- Pre-Election Publicity Guidance.
- Crewe Place Brand Project survey.
- Over Peover Neighbourhood Plan - Regulation 16 Consultation - 29/11/19 - 13/01/20.
- Invitation for Chairman to attend the Holocaust Memorial Day Service - 27/01/20.
- Community Governance Review - Initial information query.
- Christmas Homelessness Service.
- Connected Communities Newsletter.
- Community Governance Review Press Release.
- Hankelow Neighbourhood Plan - Regulation 16 Consultation - 13/01/20 - 24/02/20.

## Cheshire East Council - Temporary Road Closures / Restrictions

- Gawsworth Road, Gawsworth from the junction with Penningtons Lane to outside Hillside - 16-18/12/19.
- Ryle Street, Macclesfield from the junction with Peel Street to the junction with Hobson Street - extended to 24/11/19.
- Chestergate, Macclesfield from the junction with Westminster Street to the junction with Churchill Way - 20-22/11/19.
- Ryle Street, Macclesfield from the junction with Peel Street to the junction with Hobson Street - 25/11/19 - 31/03/20.
- High Street / Chancery Lane, Bollington from outside number 97 High Street to the junction with Lord Street - 08-10/01/19.
- Millers Meadow, Rainow from outside number 2 to outside number 6 - 02/12/19.
- Barlow Hill, Wincle from outside Mellor Knowl Cottage to outside the Ship Inn public house - 03-04/12/19.
- Oakenbank Lane, Rainow from outside Paddock Side to outside track to Oakenbank - 06/01/20.
- Shrigley Road, Pott Shrigley from the junction with Brookledge Lane to outside Snape House - 28/01/20.
- Moss Lane, Siddington from outside Hanson House to outside Moss Farm Barn - 06/03/20.
- Windmill Lane, Bollington from outside entrance to Endon Quarry to outside entrance to Fiveashes Cottages - 03/03/20.
- Rose Bank, Bollington from outside number 3 to the junction with Service Road for Grimshaw Lane - 08/01/20.
- B5090 Palmerston Street, Bollington for its full extent - 15-21/02/20.
- Calrofold Lane, Rainow from the junction with Rainow Road to outside Calrofold Barn - 20-23/12/19.
- Market Place, Macclesfield (for its full extent); Brunswick Street, Macclesfield (from the junction with Market Place to the junction with Unicorn Gateway); Unicorn Gateway, Macclesfield (for its full extent); Chestergate, Macclesfield (Pedestrian Area); Exchange Street, Macclesfield (Pedestrian Area); Mill Street, Macclesfield (from the junction with Market Place to the junction with Exchange Street) - 26/01/20, 23/02/20, 29/03/20, 26/04/20, 31/05/20, 28/06/20, 26/07/20, 30/08/20, 27/09/20, 25/10/20, 29/11/20.
- Market Place, Macclesfield (for its full extent); Chestergate, Macclesfield (from the junction with Churchill Way to the junction with Market Place); Mill Street, Macclesfield (for its full extent); Duke Street, Macclesfield (for its full extent); Roe Street, Macclesfield (for its full extent); Queen Victoria Street, Macclesfield (for its full extent); Park Green, Macclesfield (for its full extent) - 19/04/20.
- A537 Chester Road, Macclesfield - 15/02/20 - 10/04/20.
- School Lane, Over Alderley from the junction with Macclesfield Road to the junction with Prestbury Road - 02/03/20.
- Chestergate, Macclesfield (from the junction with Churchill Way to the junction with Market Place), Market Place, Macclesfield (for its full extent) - 25/01/20.
- Finlow Hill Lane, Over Alderley for its full extent - 05/03/20.
- Redbrook Way, Adlington from outside number 2 to outside number 8 - 02-06/03/20.
- Knight Street, Macclesfield - 25/02/20 - 04/03/20.
- Mottram Road, Over Alderley from the track leading to Finlows Villa to outside Rockery Cottage - 03-07/02/20.
- Dark Lane, Henbury from outside Old Chapter to outside Broome Cottage - 16/03/20.
- High Street, Bollington from outside number 97 to the junction with Chancery Lane - 03-07/02/20.
- Lyme Avenue, Macclesfield - 30/03/20 - 10/04/20.
- Chapel Lane, Lower Withington - 13-24/04/20.
- Pitt Street, Macclesfield - 23/03/20 - 03/04/20.
- Chestergate, Macclesfield - 30/01/20.

## Other Correspondence

- My Neighbourhood Plan - Planning Advisor services.
- Power for People - Request to support the Local Electricity Bill.
- NatWest Bank plc. - Latest trends in innovation for business.
- Healthwatch Cheshire - Christmas Greetings.
- Crewe Town Council - Crewe Potato and Seed Day 2020.

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## APPENDIX C

### OUTSTANDING PLANNING APPLICATIONS & RECENT PLANNING DECISIONS

Application Reference	Location	Proposed Development	Cheshire East Council Decision
16/1420M (23/03/16)	Garage site at eastern end of Ashbrook Road, Over Alderley.	Demolition of existing garages and construction of 5 no. 2 bed 4 person houses within curtilage parking and additional parking for use by visitors.	06/10/17 - Recommendation of approval subject to legal agreement and conditions.
17/0530M (07/02/17)	Alderley Park, Congleton Road, Nether Alderley. SK10 4TJ	Reserved matters application for demolition of existing waste transfer station and redevelopment for a Full-Sized Sports Pitch (Use Class D2) including ground engineering works, erection of site boundaries and landscaping.	
18/0868M (28/02/18)	Land to north and south of Lower Courtyard Buildings, Alderley Park, Congleton Road, Nether Alderley. SK10 4TF	Application for approval of reserved matters (access, appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) (following the grant of planning permission reference 15/5401M) to secure approval for different house types to the south of the lower courtyard buildings without podium car parking and for alternative car parking layout to land north of the lower courtyard buildings.	
18/2585M (30/05/18)	Land South of Dunge Farm, Macclesfield Road, Over Alderley. SK10 4SN	Proposed erection of agricultural building and track, alteration of site levels (part retrospective) and associated landscaping works.	Currently scheduled for Strategic Planning Board.
18/4728M 18/4729M (25/09/18)	Birtles Farm, Hocker Lane, Over Alderley. SK10 4SB	Restoration and refurbishment of listed building, demolition of brick lean-to and steel portal frame building, with extension and conversion of listed building to residential dwelling as enabling works (resubmission of application reference 18/0831M).	
19/2200M (14/05/19)	Alderley House and Car Park Sites, Alderley Park, Congleton Road, Nether Alderley. SK10 4TF	Reserved matters application including details of access, layout, landscaping, appearance and scale for a residential development comprising 12 new dwellings, new internal roads, boundary treatments and associated landscaping and infrastructure.	
19/2428M (12/06/19)	Higher Park Farm, Birtles Lane, Over Alderley. SK10 4RX	Conversion of existing barn to form new dwelling.	
19/3286M (12/08/19)	Heatherley Woods, Alderley Park, Congleton Road, Nether Alderley.	Outline application with all matters reserved except for access for a residential development of up to 25 dwellings with associated landscaping and infrastructure.	
19/3576M 19/3577M (12/08/19)	Birtles Farm, Hocker Lane, Over Alderley. SK10 4SB	Restoration and conversion of brick barns to create one residential unit, including some demolition of lean-to structures and extensions.	04/12/19 - Approved with Conditions.
19/4280M (19/09/19)	Birtles Farm, Hocker Lane, Over Alderley. SK10 4SB	Engineering works, change in levels of land and removal of hedgerow.	
19/4757M (25/10/19)	Cobbles End, Hocker Lane, Over Alderley. SK10 4SD	Demolish a conservatory and two detached double garages, construct a garden room extension and a triple garage with room above.	
19/4899M 19/4900M (28/10/19)	Hare Hill Hall, Prestbury Road, Over Alderley. SK10 4PY	Proposed stables, menage and gazebo.	17/01/20 - Approved with Conditions.

### NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Application Reference	Location	Proposed Development	Comments deadline
19/5614M (22/12/19)	Windmill Farm, Wrigley Lane, Over Alderley. SK10 4SA	First floor extension	09/01/20