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Minutes of a virtual meeting of the Parish Council held on Wednesday 13th January 2021 at 7.30pm

Present Cllrs Clowes (Chair), C Harwood, Lawton, S Harwood, Cook, Shaw, B Griffiths, R Griffiths, Johnson and Connolly.

Mr G. Roberts (Clerk) and Councillor P Redstone in attendance.

<u>Item No.</u>	<u>Detail</u>
1595.	<u>Apologies for Absence</u> Apologies were received from Cllrs Somerville, Moller, Meakin and Robinson. Cllr Shaw proposed, Cllr Lawson seconded and it was unanimously RESOLVED, in the light of the pandemic and issues with access to internet based communication, to grant leave of absence for these members. PCSO Carter gave her apologies.
1596.	<u>Public Forum</u> No members of the public were present.
1597.	<u>Declarations of interest</u> None
1598.	<u>Minutes of a meeting held on 16th December 2020</u> Cllr S Harwood proposed, Cllr Lawton seconded and it was unanimously RESOLVED to pass the minutes of the meeting held on 16th December 2020 as a true and correct.
1599.	<u>Matters arising from the Meeting of 16th December 2020</u> There were no matters arising from the minutes.
1600.	<u>Accounts and Expenses</u> Cllr R Griffiths proposed, Cllr Shaw seconded and it was unanimously RESOLVED to agree the following payments: PAYE + NIC £815.91 Jan payment Mr G Roberts £2,025.78 Jan salary Superannuation £766.63 Jan payment SLCC £262.00 Annual subscription 08 Direct £11.99 Freephone number 1 month (booking line) Giff Gaff £6.00 1 mobile monthly at £6.00 for booking line INCOME 31st Dec Nationwide Business Account interest £3.08

Initialled by Chair

1601.

Reports & Updates

a) *Committees & Working Groups* – Brief reports were given from the committees and working groups (most having not met in recent months): Planning – a report of recent decisions was received, including 20/5821C Disused Quarry, land adj Halls Road – construction of a para 79(e) life time zero carbon dwelling – object on the grounds that it is unacceptable development in the Green Belt, that it will result in a loss of openness in the Green Belt and that no very special circumstances exist to override the Green Belt status. It is not felt that the development meets the criteria for an exception under para 79(e) in that it is neither an isolated home in the countryside nor a development the design of which is of an exceptional quality. Community Transport – The phone is regularly checked. The LOLER test is due in February ... the Clerk will charge the battery and move the bus from the hedge (Cllr S Harwood will clear this with the YPCC trustees). It will be jet washed before it is recommissioned. PEEP – work suspended during pandemic. Newsletter – awaiting stories for the next edition. Office working Group – the landowner is reviewing its holdings and has deferred a decision on sale.

b) *Police & Community Support officer* – PCSO Carter was unavailable for the meeting.

c) *Cheshire East Matters* – Cllr Redstone reported on CEC matters including gully emptying, gritting, Covid 19 vaccination programme and the street lights out in Mount Pleasant Road.

Cllr Connolly noted that many of the gullies were blocked with soil and not taking the run-off water. Cllr Lawton noted that Mow Cop was not gritted in early January. Cllr Cook noted that Ian Darlington had now got an assistant to help with the lighting backlog. Cllr C Harwood raised the very poor state of the highway surface between Rode Heath and the junction for Alsager (in the Sandbach direction). Cllr Clowes reported on the recent Parish Council/CEC virtual meeting.

d) *Village Halls* – Brief reports were given as most had no recent meetings. Cllr Lawton suggested that the grant deadline should be moved as many organisations had not been able to get quotes, etc for applications during the lock down. It was agreed to defer a decision until the February meeting.

1602.

Correspondence

The following correspondence was received:

a) Police & Crime Commissioner letter re budgets – noted.

1603.

Conclusion

The meeting concluded at 8.15 p.m.

Signed by the Chairperson _____

Dated _____