

**MINUTES OF A MEETING OF MOULTON PARISH COUNCIL held at MOULTON SCHOOL HALL on MONDAY 11<sup>th</sup> FEBRUARY 2013 at 7.30pm**

**Present:** Cllr. A. Aston (Vice - Chair)  
Cllrs. C. Bowie, A. Burgess, D. Hough, J. Kershaw,  
N. Harris, P. Vernon, D. Watkinson and A. Wood.

**Also In Attendance:** P. Sanders – Parish Clerk. CWAC Cllrs. E. Watson and H. Weltman.  
6 Members of the Public (names recorded).

**13.02.01 Apologies for Absence and Declarations of Interest**

**Resolved:** to accept apologies from Cllr. A. Rigby (vacation), Cllr. T. Blackwood (illness) and CWAC Cllr. Sinar.

**13.02.02 Public Open Session**

A number of issues relating to the Richborough Estates (RE) Planning Application were raised. These are summarised as follows:-

1. The Occupants of 14 and 17 Barnside Way believe that they may each own a short strip of land crossing the end of Barnside Way. If this is the case it could prevent RE from gaining an Access Point into the proposed development. Solicitors are currently reviewing the matter.
2. The Parish Clerk confirmed that he, Cllr. Rigby and CWAC Cllr. Weltman met with Brian Leonard, the Case Officer handling the Application at CWAC Planning, on Thursday 7 February 2013. Mr Leonard was asked to ensure that the suppositions made in Consultee Reports were accurate/up to date, in particular with regard to School Pupil Numbers and Traffic Movement Projections. It was noted that CWAC Highways have not yet put forward their thoughts on either the proposed site entrance or the construction traffic route.
3. Concern was expressed at the plans to widen Beehive Lane to enable construction traffic to pass freely. It is felt that, even after widening, the lane will be too narrow for many commercial vehicles to pass. The Parish Council will reiterate this point to Mr Leonard in a further communication.
4. The occupants of properties on Beehive Lane have written to Mr Leonard enclosing copies of Easement Rights Documents, asking that these be considered when Construction Traffic Access is being reviewed.
5. Further comments, supported by photographs taken yesterday, have been sent to Mr Leonard relating to the poor drainage across the whole site.
6. There is still confusion as to who owns a small strip of unregistered land to the north of Tall Trees and Brown Leaves. Enquiries continue via Solicitors to determine the freeholder.
7. Reference was made to rumours of other possible developments within the village. The Parish Council confirmed that it has received no contact from any other parties.

**13.02.03 PCSO's Monthly Report**

No Report was provided. A full update will be sought for the next Parish Council Meeting.

**13.02.04 Minutes**

**Resolved:** that the Minutes of the meeting held on 14 January 2013 be agreed and signed as a true record.

**13.02.05 Clerk's Report**

**Resolved:** that the Clerk's Report relating to progress on a number of current matters be received; Arising from the report:

- The Parish Clerk has sought updates from CWAC Highways regarding the possible re-introduction of the School Lollipop Person. A response is awaited.
- The Parish Clerk is meeting with Solicitors on Wednesday 13 February 2013 to further discuss the "Possessory Title" claim over the land between Hillside Lane and Footpath RB4. It was agreed that should the claim be turned aside by HM Land Registry, CWAC should be

- approached to make good the area as “a duty of care”. A further update will be given at the next Parish Council Meeting.
- Two residents have questioned the recent placement of Blue Badge Parking Bays at the rear of Regent Street. The bays were set up in central locations so as to maximize the extra space these two bays afford; to ensure that the total number of Bays was not reduced; that no Blue Badge Holder ever had to walk more than half a street length. It was agreed to review the placements should the Parish Council be approached by any Blue Badge Holders.

### **13.02.06 Reports**

#### **(a) Planning**

**Resolved:** that the following be noted

- i). None.
- ii). None.
- iii). None.
- iv). The Parish Council and Moulton Children’s Playing Field Trust have both submitted Letters of Objection to CWAC Planning in respect of Planning Application 12/05668/OUT – outline permission for up to 148 residential dwellings, open space and access off Barnside Way (off Summerfield Drive), Moulton. These are 2 of over 800 responses formally submitted to CWAC Planning. Determination date, the point by which CWAC’s Planning Officers have to finalise their recommendations, is 5 April 2013. Given the size of the proposed development and its’ variance to the Vale Royal Local Plan, the Application will be referred to the CWAC Spatial Planning Committee for a decision. Possible dates for the Committee Meeting are 21 March 2013 or 18 April 2013.
- v). The Application to create a Neighbourhood Plan Area has now passed the Consultation Period stage and further advices are awaited from CWAC Spatial Planning. The Village Survey Forms are set to be distributed village wide in the next few days. Parishioners can either deposit the completed Forms in the designated box at 104 Main Road, Moulton or post them to the Parish Clerk. The closing date is the end of this month. The Parish Clerk will co-ordinate the data collection and analysis. The Parish Clerk has approached CWAC Cllr. Gaynor Sinar for Local Budget Funding to cover the cost of the Survey Printing - £115.

#### **(b) Community**

**Resolved:** that the following be noted:-

- i). Moulton Primary School has confirmed that the IT Suite is available for use from 1pm on Tuesdays and from 1pm on Thursdays. No Rent will be charged, but the Parish Council will be asked to cover Paper and Ink Costs. The Parish Clerk has approached CWAC Cllr. Gaynor Sinar for Local Budget Funding to cover the estimated cost of one years’ Paper and Ink - £250. Cllr. Harris will liaise with Vale Royal Disability Services regarding the provision of a Trainer, who needs to be CRB Checked. Cllrs. Rigby and Aston will support with the Training if necessary/available. It was agreed that once a regular time has been finalised those Parishioners who have expressed an interest in taking up this free service will be advised in writing of the arrangements.
- ii). It was agreed that the existing Parish Council Web Site – [www.moultonpc.org.uk](http://www.moultonpc.org.uk) – will cease to operate beyond 31 March 2013. From that point all records are to be held on the Moulton Village Web Site – [www.moultonvillage.co.uk](http://www.moultonvillage.co.uk). The Parish Clerk will liaise with the appropriate parties to implement the changeover.
- iii). The Parish Clerk has obtained three quotes for the planned work at the area to the rear of the War Memorial. Northwich Town Council had previously quoted (October 2012) £4,560 + VAT. Baldwin Landscaping has quoted £5,306 + VAT, but this figure does not include the Notice Board, Sandstone Plinth, Flag Pole, Christmas Tree and extended Electrical Supply. WAP Lawton and Son has quoted £7,400 + VAT. **Resolved:** to ask Northwich Town Council to undertake the work in early springtime. Acknowledging that time has elapsed since their first quotation it was agreed to allow, case of need, a 15% max. increase to the previously quoted figure. The Parish Clerk has visited Vickersway Park in Witton, Northwich and viewed the Outdoor Gym Equipment that may be surplus to requirements. It is considered in acceptable condition. Discussions over cost and installation will be commenced with Northwich Town Council. Further details to follow at the next Parish Council Meeting.
- iv). CWAC have been advised of the Parish Councils’ desire to take over the running of the Weaver Road Play Area – to create a “quiet area”. Moulton Primary School has expressed a willingness to help set up and manage a Wildflower Garden and Nature Area. The County High School at Leftwich have been asked if they would be interested in helping to create sculptures, and other forms of public artwork, for placement in the area. A response is still awaited.

The Parish Clerk will return to CWAC to seek details of the Lease Terms proposed.

### 13.02.07 Correspondence

- a) **Resolved:** that the correspondence received as below be noted and the following action be agreed.
- Item 1 (6) – to write to CWAC Highways agreeing in principle with the plan, but expressing slight concerns over resident parking on the north side of Main Road.
- Item 2 (2) – Cllrs. Aston and Bowie will review the proposed agreement. The Parish Clerk will take forward with Cheshire Police as appropriate.
- Item 4 – Noted.
- Item 5 – Noted. No entries to be submitted.
- Item 6 – Noted. A representative will attend any Meetings that may be arranged.
- Item 7 – Parish Clerk to express a willingness to again provide Sponsorship.
- Item 9 – Comments to be passed on to CWAC Highways.

1	Cheshire West and Chester Council	Various 10 Jan 10 Jan 15 Jan 21 Jan 30 Jan	Various Briefing Notes for Elected Members Bulletins for Town and Parish Councils Notice of Northwich Community Forum News for Northwich and Rural North Partnerships Bulletin Proposed DYL's Main Road/Whitlow Lane junction	To note To note To note To note To note To discuss
2	Cheshire Police	Various 29 Jan	Newsletters PCSO Agreement Renewal	To note To discuss
3	Vale Royal Environmental Network	Various	Newsletters	To note
4	Wincham PC and Others	Various	E-mail re HS2	To discuss
5	Cheshire Community Action	31 Jan	Community Pride Competition 2013	To discuss
6	Northwich TC	22 Jan	Neighbourhood Plan Consultation – Northwich Area	To discuss
7	Cheshire Community Development Trust	Various	Planning for 2013 Play Schemes	To discuss
8	CHAMP	Various	E-mails re Funding from MADCA	To note
9	R Pearson	11 Feb	E-mail re Condition of Jack Lane following resurfacing	To discuss

### 13.02.08 Accounts – Net Payments / Income

#### Payments:

PAYEE	DETAILS	AMOUNT
P Sanders	Salary February – Clerk	*589.94
HMRC	PAYE + NI for PS February 2013	146.49
Play and Leisure	Swing Parts and Wet Pour Repair	*180.00
CWAC	Playing Field Cleansing Oct to Dec 2012	“300.00
P Sanders	Expenses	73.40
Office Essentials Ltd	Stationery	^127.96
Quadriga Ltd	Repairs to War Memorial Stonework	600.00
ChALC	Training Course	30.00
CHAMP	Room Hire	28.50
Play and Leisure	Swing Repair (Parts)	38.31
GJ Steele	Visual Playground Inspections and Litter Pick	“*187.50
Play Inspection and Maintenance Services	January Inspection	36.00
UK Mailing	Public Meeting Leaflets	54.00
UK Mailing	Newsletter (Jan 2013)	51.60

^55% rechargeable to DPC and T&TF PC  
\*retrospective  
“rechargeable to MPFT

**Resolved:** that the above accounts be approved for payment. Proposed by Cllr. Vernon. Seconded by Cllr. Watkinson.

Income:

Noted receipt of the following income since the last meeting:

Bank Interest	1.70
Garages Rental	1475.00
MCPFT – repayment	1853.50
Davenham PC – stationery costs	109.46
Tiverton and Tilstone Fearnall PC – stationery costs	6.32

**13.02.09 Councillors' Reports**

The following were highlighted for report, action or to note:

- Cllr. Burgess commented that the asphalt within the Play Area is developing a green coating. Northwich Town Council will be asked to jet wash in late March 2013.
- Cllr. Watkinson commented on increasing levels of spam e-mails via her moulton pc e-mail address. The Parish Clerk will liaise with Graham Scott regarding filter settings.
- Cllr. Watkinson advised that MADCA has paid a donation to CHAMP in respect of recent Village Hall improvements.

**13.02.10 Next Meeting**

Noted the next meeting of the Council will be held on Monday 11 March 2013 at 7.30pm at Moulton Village Hall (Back Room). There will be a 15 minute public participation session at the outset.

Moulton Playing Field Trust will also meet on Monday 11 March 2013.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 9.24pm.