

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF MOULTON PARISH COUNCIL held at MOULTON VILLAGE HALL (Main Room) on MONDAY 10 MARCH 2014 at 7.45pm.

PRESENT	
Councillors	Cllrs. Aston (Vice Chairman), Bowie, Burgess, Harris, Hough, Vernon, Watkinson and Wood.
Other Attendees	Parish Clerk. 5 Members of the Public (names recorded).

1	<p>To receive Apologies (and record reasons for absence) and to note any Declarations of Interest Resolved: to accept Apologies from Cllr. Rigby (vacation), CWAC Cllrs. Watson and Weltman, and PCSOs Kat Stock and Kevin McShane.</p> <p>There were no Declarations of Interest.</p>
2	<p>Public Participation Jim Clark commented that he felt the Parish Council Web Site to be dated and in need of upgrade. He was advised that a new Web Site has been designed and will be launched in the near future.</p> <p>Allan Leach referred to the ongoing problem of inconsiderate parking on Main Road, particularly around School arrival and departure times. The Parish Clerk will again raise the matter with the incoming PCSO Kevin McShane. Reference to the problem will also be made in the next Village Newsletter.</p> <p>Lyndsey Mitchell the new Chair of Moulton Adventure Group introduced herself to Councillors and invited all in attendance to the Group's Annual Display on 3 April 2014 at 7pm. She also confirmed that the Parish Council remains as a Trustee of the Group.</p> <p>Margaret Newton expressed surprise at the apparent lack of public comment on the plan to build 70 homes off Jack Lane. Cllr. Aston acknowledged the point and, whilst unable to comment for others, agreed that there had been little negative feedback to date.</p> <p>Acknowledging Mrs Newton's broader concerns on the level of new house-building across the County, Cllr. Wood advised that a date and venue has been set for the Cheshire West Local Plan Examination Hearings – 17 June 2014 to 4 July 2014 at Chester Town Hall. Town and Parish Councils, plus individuals, will have the opportunity to comment publicly at the Hearings.</p>
3	<p>To receive the PCSOs Report The Parish Clerk gave a summary of the PCSO's Monthly Report for February 2014. 89 incidents were recorded, including 8 incidents of ASB (5 at the same address); an off-road bike incident; drunkenness in the vicinity of the War Memorial. The new PCSO, Kevin McShane is now in place and is scheduled to meet with the Parish Clerk later this week. A copy of the full Report is held on file.</p>
4	<p>To agree the Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 10 February 2014 for signature as a true record. Resolved: that the Minutes of the meeting held on 10 February 2014 be agreed and signed as a true record.</p>
5	<p>To receive the Parish Clerk's Report</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • A letter, subsequently acknowledged, has been sent to S O'Brien MP seeking a Public Meeting in the village to discuss Planning and other Local Issues. Once a date/venue has been arranged it will be made public. • 100 word bio-pics were again requested from all Councillors. The new Web Site cannot go on-line until such information is to hand. • Work has started on the new low level fence bordering Hillside Lane and RB4. The Parish Clerk will seek clarification as to why a section of the original fencing has not

	<p>been removed.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Only 5 Garage Plot Rent Payments remain outstanding. Letters requesting prompt payment have been issued. • CWAC have provided a Draft Lease relating to Weaver Road Play Area. There are some minor issues to address and Messrs Dixon Rigby Keogh, Solicitors of Northwich, have been asked to act on behalf of the Parish Council. • The Cheshire Community Pride Competition 2014 Entry Form has been submitted to Cheshire Community Action. 											
6	<p>Planning</p> <p><u>i. to note comments made by the Planning Committee on recent Applications</u> None.</p> <p><u>ii. to note Planning Application Responses from Cheshire West and Chester Council</u> None.</p> <p><u>iii. to note Planning Applications advised but not yet received</u> 14/00910/FUL. 1 Verdin Close. Single storey side extension.</p> <p><u>iv. to discuss Neighbourhood Plan related matters</u> The Draft Plan has now been finalised and is currently with CWAC Spatial Planning for preliminary overview. Once their feedback has been received any necessary amendments will be made. It is envisaged that the Document will be delivered to every household within the next 2 months. This will represent Phase 2 of the Consultation Process.</p> <p><u>v. to discuss the Application by HOW Planning relating to land at Jack Lane (14/00499/OUT)</u> The Parish Councils' formal letter of objection to the Application has been submitted to CWAC Planning. Primary objections relate to sustainability issues – education provision; healthcare support; road safety. A copy of the full letter is held on file and can also be viewed via www.cheshirewestandchester.gov.uk and the Village Notice Board. CWAC Cllr. Weltman has confirmed that she has asked the Planning Officer handling the case to refer the Application to Committee.</p> <p><u>vi. to discuss any other Planning Related Issues arising</u> None.</p>											
7	<p>Administrative and Community Matters</p> <p><u>i. to discuss Volunteers for Defibrillator Training</u> There are now 5 volunteers in place. The Parish Clerk will liaise with the CWAC Locality Team to arrange suitable training and the placement of the machine at the Co-Op Store on Whitlow Lane.</p> <p><u>ii. to discuss taking over the management of the MoultonVilage Web Site</u> The Parish Clerk is seeking to discuss matters with the current Administrator. The intention remains to run the site as a link to the newly revamped Parish Council Web Site.</p> <p><u>iii. to receive a Report on the Meeting with Arriva on 27 February 2014</u> The Parish Clerk passed on the following key points:- all services operating post 6pm are operated by CWAC and they are awarded to operators following Tender - due to cash cutbacks no Tenders were invited at the last round, thus no services to/from the village after 6pm; Arriva are aware of the need to provide a public service (and the social implications of not doing so), but this has to be balanced against commercial considerations; user numbers from Moulton are low for services 29/31/37; all Buses currently in use conform to the latest Disability Regulations; services no longer pass through Winsford Station due to acute access problems caused by badly parked cars; Buses do have passing problems within Moulton, particularly in the evening due to parked vehicles (primarily adjacent to the Co-Op and Travellers Rest); timetabling does seek to ensure integration with other bus services, but not train times.</p> <p><u>iv. to discuss arrangements to meet with Applicants for the vacant Parish Councillor positions</u> It was agreed that Cllrs. Rigby and Aston, along with the Parish Clerk, will meet with both Applicants and report back to the Parish Council.</p>											
8	<p>To consider Correspondence received since the last Meeting</p> <table border="1"> <tr> <td>Cheshire West and Chester Council</td> <td>Various 21 Feb</td> <td>Members Briefings (<i>e-mailed on receipt</i>)</td> <td>To note</td> </tr> <tr> <td></td> <td></td> <td>Local Councils Bulletins (<i>to be e-mailed on receipt</i>)</td> <td>To note</td> </tr> </table>				Cheshire West and Chester Council	Various 21 Feb	Members Briefings (<i>e-mailed on receipt</i>)	To note			Local Councils Bulletins (<i>to be e-mailed on receipt</i>)	To note
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		21 Feb	Invitation to Local Councils Assembly on 26/3/14 <i>(e-mailed on receipt)</i>	To discuss - noted
		17 Feb	Letter re Community Governance Review (<i>e-mailed on receipt</i>)	To discuss - noted
		17 Feb	Future Arrangements for Town and Parish Council Elections (<i>e-mailed on receipt</i>)	To discuss - noted
	Cheshire Police	Various	Weekly Newsletters (<i>e-mailed as appropriate</i>)	To note
		19 Feb	Meeting with Town and Parish Council Representatives on 19/3	To discuss - noted
	Vale Royal Disability Service	Various	Newsletters (<i>e-mailed as appropriate</i>)	To note
	Northwich Town Council	17 Feb	Invitation to Mayors Charity Indian Lunch (<i>e-mailed on receipt</i>)	To note
	VREN	Various	Newsletters (<i>e-mailed as appropriate</i>)	To note
	Cheshire Community Action	28 Feb	Neighbourhood Planning Seminar on 19 March 2014	To note
	ChALC	25 Feb	The Mersey Forest Plan 2014 (<i>e-mailed on receipt</i>)	To note
	Moulton Matters Members	Various	Various Planning and CWAC related issues (<i>e-mailed as appropriate</i>)	To note
	Moulton Adventure Group	4 Mar	E-mail re Annual display on 3 April 2014	To discuss - noted
	Moulton School	24 Feb	Information about School Governor Vacancy (<i>e-mailed on receipt</i>)	To discuss - noted
	Clerks and Councils Direct	6 Mar	March 2014 Edition	To note
	Cheshire Community Development Trust	10 Mar	E-mail re 2014 Play Schemes	To discuss
	<p>Resolved:</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> - CWAC Local Councils Assembly. Cllrs. Aston and Bowie will attend. - The Parish Clerk to confirm to Cheshire Community Development Trust financial support, in principle, up to £500 towards a Moulton based Playscheme in August 2014. 			
9	<p>To authorise Accounts for Payment and note Income Received</p> <p>Resolved: to authorise the following Payments and to note Income Received.</p>			

Payments:		
P Sanders	Salary March – Clerk	603.94
HMRC	PAYE + NI for PS March 2014	178.97
Northwich Town Council	Installation of Gym Equipment (for MCPFT)	4,560.00
CHAMP	Hall Rental	46.50
GJ Steele	Visual Playground Inspections and Litter Picks	150.00
ICO	Annual Registration Fee	35.00
P Sanders	Expenses	17.10
PIAMS	February Inspection and New Swing Seat	200.40
Cheshire Community Action	Membership Fee	50.00
Moulton Methodist Church	Room Hire Fees (5)	75.00
Income Received:		
Bank Interest		1.84
Garages Rents		724.00
10	<p>To receive Reports from Councillors and the Parish Clerk</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Cllr. Watkinson commented on local speculation that Veolia are shortly to switch their main Mine Shaft from Winsford to Bostock. No mention was made of this at the recent Veolia Liaison Meeting attended by Cllrs. Wood and Burgess. It was agreed to monitor the situation given potential traffic uplifts on Jack Lane should matters develop. • Cllr. Harris gave a Report on the recent ChALC Vale Royal Area Meeting (minutes received). Primary topics were Local Election Cost Charge Outs by CWAC and the role of Community Wardens. It was also confirmed that ChALC are working on the Planning Charter agreed at the 2013 AGM. • Cllr. Vernon commented that there has been no recent liaison with the Weaver Parkway Rangers. Cllr. Harris will seek to ascertain whether Local Partnership Meetings are still held/are to be held. • Cllr. Aston commented that CHAMP are looking to clear out the Village Hall Committee Room, including a cupboard containing Parish Council Papers. The Parish Clerk will liaise with Steve Allen-Gurr accordingly. • Cllr. Wood suggested that a Joint Parish Council Meeting (with Davenham) be arranged in early April. Cllr. Aston will seek the views of Cllr. Rigby. He also sought suggestions for possible Agenda Items. • Cllr. Hough enquired what level of ring-fenced funds remained from the 2012 Jubilee Celebrations. The Parish Clerk will advise Cllr. Hough of the figure. 	
11	<p>To note that the next Meeting of the Council will be held on Monday 14 April 2014 at 7.45pm – Moulton Village Hall (Main Room) – commencing with a 15 minute Public Participation Session</p> <p>Noted.</p>	

There being no further business the Meeting concluded at 9.14pm.