

MINUTES OF A MEETING OF MOULTON PARISH COUNCIL held at MOULTON VILLAGE HALL (Main Room) on MONDAY 9 JUNE 2014 at 7.45pm.

PRESENT	
Councillors	Cllrs. Bowie, Burgess, Clark, Harris (Acting Chairman), Vernon, Watkinson and Wood.
Other Attendees	Parish Clerk. 2 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. Aston (on holiday). PCSO McShane.</p> <p>There were no Declarations of Interest made.</p>
2	<p>To receive the PCSOs Report The Parish Clerk, on behalf of PCSO Kevin McShane, gave a summary of the Monthly Report for Davenham and Moulton (May 2014). 89 incidents were recorded, including 7 incidents of Anti-social Behaviour; 1 Burglary; 5 thefts; 16 Suspicious Persons Reports (cold calling concerns). A copy of the full Report is held on file.</p>
3	<p>Public Participation Margaret Newton thanked the Parish Council for its' Letter of Objection in respect of Planning Application 14/01727/S73. However, she expressed concern that CWAC Planning appears set to grant the request. The Parish Clerk will enquire of the CWAC Ward Councillors whether the Application is due to be referred to a Planning Committee. It was noted that Rt. Hon. S O'Brien MP has written to CWAC Planning expressing his objections to the Application. The Planning Inspectorate has confirmed that it has no power to enforce the Terms set out in its' Report granting Outline Planning Permission – it is for CWAC Planning to decide if any of the Terms can be lifted/amended.</p>
4	<p>To agree the Minutes of the Meeting held on Monday 12 May 2014 for signature as a true record. Resolved: that the Minutes of the meeting held on 12 May 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"> • The Parish Clerk advised that Statutory Notices were posted relating to the three vacancies currently available on the Parish Council – these have now expired. Any interested parties should contact the Parish Clerk in the first instance. • The switchover of Parish Council Documents from the Village Hall to the Events Committee's Storage Facility has now been completed. • Northwich Town Council is now undertaking the weekly Inspection of Play Equipment and Litter Collection. Items requiring attention will be advised by e-mail. • Northwich Vics U-9 Soccer Team has been offered use of the Playing Field from 1 August 2014 to 31 May 2015. The Club has not yet indicated agreement to the Terms and Conditions stipulated. • Garage Rents have now been collected in full. • The Spring 2014 Village Newsletter has been distributed to all households in the last few days. • Transco has confirmed to CWAC Streetscene that it will erase the graffiti on the side of it's sub-station on Jack Lane. Additionally, Streetscene are aware of the graffiti on a wall fronting Regent Street Backs.
6	<p>Planning i. to note comments made by the Planning Committee on recent Applications 14/01727/S73 – Land at Beehive Lane – variation of Condition 4 (approved plans) to reflect correct drawing numbers and removal of Condition 24 to permit Piling on site as approved under 12/05668/OUT – Letter of Objection was lodged after the May Parish Council Meeting</p>

	<p><u>ii. to note Planning Application Responses from Cheshire West and Chester Council</u> 14/01449/FUL – 21 Barlow Road – single storey front extension. Application permitted.</p> <p><u>iii. to note Planning Applications advised but not yet received</u> 14/02150/FUL – Proposed Car Park at No. 4 Shaft Yard, Winsford Rock Salt Mine, Jack Lane, Bostock. The Parish Council is not a Statutory Consultee on this Application. However, the Planning Committee will review the Application and make any appropriate representations to CWAC Planning. 14/02130/OUT – Land surrounding Fountain Lane Farm, Davenham - Residential Development of up to 70 Dwellings. The Parish Council is not a Statutory Consultee on this Application. However, the Planning Committee will review the Application and make any appropriate representations to CWAC Planning.</p> <p><u>iv. to discuss Neighbourhood Plan related matters</u> A review of amendments to the First Draft, as suggested by the CWAC Spatial Planning Team, is still in progress. An update will be given at the next Parish Council Meeting.</p> <p><u>v. to discuss comments on CWAC Local Plan (Part 2) Land Allocations and Detailed Policies</u> Cllrs. Wood and Bowie reviewed the Consultation Papers, which seek to identify further land that may be suitable for development. It was felt that no comments need to be forwarded to CWAC Spatial Planning for consideration. Cllr. Wood advised that he is due to speak at the forthcoming Public Hearing (commencing on 17 June) relating to the Draft CWAC Local Plan. This Hearing gives all interested parties the opportunity to raise objections/queries on items included in the initial Draft Plan Document.</p> <p><u>vi. to discuss any other Planning Related Issues</u> None.</p>
7	<p>Administrative and Community Matters</p> <p><u>i. to discuss the proposed Lease over Weaver Road Play Area</u> The Parish Clerk confirmed that Messrs. Moss Haselhurst have been asked to act on behalf of the Parish Council in agreeing the Terms of the Lease – the two main areas requiring negotiation are the insertion of a 1 year notice clause and the ability to site a small wooden structure on the land. The three Local CWAC Councillors have pledged a total of £1.5k from their Local Budgets towards the Legal and Set Up Expenses.</p> <p><u>ii. to discuss Draft Terms of Reference for the Moulton Projects Working Group (MPWG)</u> Resolved: to agree to the following Terms of Reference:- - To work solely on Projects referred to it by the Parish Council. - To liaise as appropriate with Parishioners and other relevant bodies in the taking forward of Projects. - To meet as deemed necessary, with non Working Group Members allowed to attend if they wish. - The Working Group has no authority to make decisions, or enter financial commitments, on behalf of the Parish Council. - To report progress, and make recommendations, to the monthly Parish Council Meetings.</p> <p><u>iii. to receive a Report from the MPWG Meeting held on 28 May 2014</u> Cllr. Bowie gave a brief overview of the various Projects discussed – CCTV at the War Memorial/Playing Fields area; the creation of a History Trail around the village; development of land at the rear of Regent Street; Weaver Road Play Area. More research is to be undertaken for each individual project. The Group proposes to meet again in June/July and will report on progress at the following Parish Council Meeting.</p> <p><u>v. to discuss vandalism at the Children's Play Area</u> Two separate acts of vandalism have resulted in lengths of wetpour flooring being damaged adjacent to the Rodeo Rider. At present the Rider is fenced off as a safety measure. Resolved: It was agreed to ask PIAMS to arrange the provision of a Notts Sport Floor Covering for the entire Rodeo Floor Area (quoted cost £1,475 + VAT) – to be funded by the Playing Field Trust from Reserves/Income. Accordingly, the Q2 drawdown from the Investment Fund is to be doubled to £4k to cover the payment to Notts Sport. It was agreed that, at the next Playing Field Trust Meeting, consideration will be given to a full equipment review/repair programme.</p> <p><u>vi. to discuss the update of the PC Web Site</u> The Parish Clerk confirmed that the new Web Site is set to “go live” in early July. A link to the old site will be created to ensure that dated Documents can still be accessed. Councillors</p>

confirmed the wording for their own updated pen-pics.

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To consider Correspondence received since the last Meeting

Cheshire West and Chester Council	Various	Members Briefings	To note
	14 May	Regulatory Services Consultation	To note
	19 May	Local Councils Bulletin	To note
	20 May	Invitation to undertake the Annual Village Walk	To discuss
	6 June	E-mail re Graffiti	To discuss
ChALC	16 May	Rural Womens Day 2014	To discuss
	2 June	Parish Charter with CWAC	To discuss
Connecting Cheshire	19 May	Update	To note
Cheshire Police	Various	Newsletters	To note
CHAMP	23 May	Use of Hall for Halloween Celebrations	To note
VRDS	Various	Newsletters	To note
	7 June	Leaflets outlining Bulk Buying Programme	To note
A Leach	5 June	E-mail re Bus Services to/from Moulton	To discuss
P Bradbury	7 June	E-mail re Playing Field Flooding	To discuss

Resolved:

- To liaise with CWAC to arrange the "village walk" one afternoon after 26 June 2014. Cllrs. Bowie, Watkinson, Clark and Vernon expressed a willingness to take part.
- Noted that Transco and CWAC have acknowledged the need to remove various items of graffiti around the village.
- To respond to Mr Leach suggesting that he contact CWAC/Arriva direct regarding concerns over Bus Service cutbacks.
- The Parish Clerk confirmed that Playing Filed Drainage issues have been reported to United Utilities.

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To authorise Accounts for Payment and note Income Received

Resolved: to authorise the following Payments and to note Income Received.

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Payments:

P Sanders	Salary June – Clerk	741.18
HMRC	PAYE + NI for PS June 2014	38.69
Moss Haselhurst	Deposit – Legals re Weaver Road Play Area	*250.00
GJ Steele	Playground Inspections and Litter Picks - May	150.00
P Sanders	Expenses	62.65
Northwich Town Council	Playing Fields Contract - April	394.80

Northwich Town Council	Churchyard and Field Contract - April	225.60
Northwich Town Council	Playing Fields Contract + Regent Street tidy up - May	543.60
Northwich Town Council	Churchyard and Field Contract – May	225.60
Northwich Town Council	Hillside Lane Fence Installation	4260.00
PIAMS	Playground Inspection - May	36.00
Cllr. C Bowie	Poppy Seeds	9.23

* retrospective

Income Received:

Bank Interest	4.53
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ii. to receive a Report from the Finance Committee Meeting held on 20 May 2014

Cllr. Watkinson, Chair of the Finance Committee, gave a summary of the items discussed at the Meeting. Primary issue was to confirm the accuracy of the Accounts, as Internally Audited (no issues raised), for the year ending 31 March 2014. It was also noted that, at this point in time, no amendments to the Budget for 2014/5 are considered appropriate.

iii. to confirm the Annual Accounts for 2013/4 and to sign off the Annual Audit Certificate

Resolved: to confirm the 2013/4 Accounts. Cllr. Harris and the Parish Clerk duly signed the relevant sections of the Annual Audit Certificate – confirmation of the Accounts and the Governance Statement.

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To receive Reports from Councillors and the Parish Clerk

- Cllr. Burgess commented on the Mercedes Vehicle that is regularly parked overnight on the War Memorial Car Park. The previously installed sign advising “No Overnight/ Commercial Parking” is no longer in place. The Parish Clerk will seek a Quote for a replacement in readiness for the next Parish Council Meeting. Once the sign is in place action can be taken against transgressors.
- The Parish Clerk commented that a nearby resident is regularly seen loading and unloading a Van with Domestic Appliances at the War Memorial Car Park. A letter is to be sent to the resident asking that the practice be terminated. Additionally, notice will be given that the concrete path leading from the property to the pathway, approved for a previous resident with a disabled child, will shortly be uplifted with the ground re-turfed.
- Cllr. Clark enquired whether cut grass can be collected when the playing field is mowed. The Parish Clerk will ask NTC for their comments.
- Cllr. Vernon commented that many of the verges and kerb-sides around the village are untidy and weed-ridden. The issue will be raised during the forthcoming “village walk”.
- Cllr. Watkinson suggested that the Projects Committee give consideration to compiling a list of Village Assets for possible “Community Asset Registration”. This gives the community a degree of protection should such properties/land become available on the market.
- Cllr. Watkinson commented on the poor state of the road surface adjacent to a grid at the junction of Main Road/Whitlow Lane/School Lane. The matter will be reported to CWAC Highways and raised during the “village walk”.
- Cllr. Vernon commented that small pieces of masonry have fallen from 1 Regent Street. The property has recently been sold, with the buyer not known.
- Cllr. Vernon and the Parish Clerk will co-ordinate the first round of judging for “The 2014 Moulton In Bloom Competition”. Parish Councillors will be asked to nominate

	finalists prior to the next Parish Council Meeting. CWAC Cllr. Weltman has agreed to undertake the final round of judging later in the summer.
11	To note that the next Meeting of the Council will be held on Monday 14 July 2014 at 7.45pm – Moulton Village Hall (Main Room) – commencing with a 15 minute Public Participation Session. Noted. To be followed by a Meeting of Moulton Children’s Playing Field Trust.

There being no further business the Meeting closed at 9.26pm.