

# HOUGH AND CHORLTON PARISH COUNCIL

## MINUTES OF MEETING

HELD 7:30pm, 6<sup>th</sup> JANUARY 2017, HOUGH VILLAGE HALL

**PRESENT** Councillors: A Broome (Chairman), G Bennion, R Dodd, D Hewitt, C Pywell, V McFarlane, M Johnson, C Jardine  
Cheshire East Ward Cllr Clowes.

### 16.96 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Cllr Brickhill is on an approved leave of absence. No other apologies were received.

### 16.97 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were declared.

### 16.98 MINUTES OF MEETING HELD ON 19<sup>th</sup> NOVEMBER, 2016

The motion to accept the minutes of 19<sup>th</sup> November as a correct record was agreed by all present.

### 16.99 POLICE MATTERS

#### 16.99.1 SMART WHEELIE BIN STICKERS

The clerk read informed that Rob Welch of Cheshire East Highways, Design and Safety Team manager, has advised delaying ordering and that an official stance from Cheshire East is due imminently. Mr Welch will be following up with an email. It was agreed that ordering should await consideration of the announcement.

#### 16.99.2 SID DATA AND SPEEDING ON COBBS LANE

Cllr Pywell updated the Council with the December SID data. A slight improvement has been observed. It was agreed that the information is useful and should continue at each meeting.

#### 16.99.3 COMMUNITY SPEED WATCH

It was reported that there has been very little response from residents. There have been four volunteers and one resident who feels it would be a waste of money. It was agreed to try again when the weather is better and the item will be placed on the agenda in the Spring. In the meantime, it was agreed that the clerk ask neighbouring parishes who have schemes for feedback on how well their schemes are working.

### 16.100 HIGHWAYS MATTERS

#### 16.100.1 BLOCKED GULLIES AND DRAIN PROBLEMS – AN UPDATE

Communication has been received that the Gully Clearing Team will be working in Hough and Chorlton over the coming weekend. Cllr Clowes updated on the situation in Chorlton Lane and Waybutt Lane.

### 16.101 ENVIRONMENTAL MATTERS

There were no environmental matters to report.

### 16.102 PROVISION OF DEFIBRILLATORS TO HOUGH AND CHORLTON

- Cllr Johnson informed the Council the defibrillator purchased for the White Hart is to be fitted on Wednesday morning (11<sup>th</sup> January). Members were reminded that the choice of defibrillator was based on recommendation from the North-West Ambulance Service.
- The motion to purchase a second defibrillator using reserve funds and, if purchased, its location was discussed with both the Village Hall at Hough and the Lodge at Wychwood Park being considered. Cllr Broome informed that Weston Parish Council have agreed to offer a contribution for a defibrillator at Wychwood Park. Cllr Hewitt suggested that the motion be amended to purchase two portable defibrillators, one for each location. This motion was seconded and agreed by all present.

Cllr Johnson and the clerk were asked to progress the purchase for Hough Village Hall. The clerk agreed to liaise with Weston Parish Council to confirm the arrangements for their donation so that the purchase for Wychwood Park can be progressed.

Cllr Johnson outlined the training offered by the North-West Ambulance Service. A weekend date has been arranged at Hough Village hall and a second date is to follow. Training will be arranged for Wychwood Park.

### 16.103 VILLAGE HALL UPDATE

Cllr Broome reported that the Carol Concert was very well attended and enjoyed and also the Christmas Quiz was successful with a further one organised for Friday, 24<sup>th</sup> March. The next Bingo has been arranged for 11<sup>th</sup> January.

Cllr Johnson raised, and all present agreed, that Cllr Bennion should be thanked for all his hard work with events that help pull the community together.

### 16.104 PLANNING MATTERS

#### 16.104.1 PLANNING APPLICATIONS RECEIVED SINCE THE 9<sup>TH</sup> SEPTEMBER 2016

16/5718N	2, Ridley Close, Hough CW2 5LB	Resubmission of 13/0089N Single Storey extension to rear of dwelling. It was agreed that Hough and Chorlton Parish Council have no objection to this application.
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#### 16.104.2 UPDATE ON OUTSTANDING APPLICATIONS

16/5574N	25, Woolston Drive, Hough, CW2 5RF	Prior Approval – Householder – for single storey rear conservatory. Decision – Prior Approval, permission not required.
16/3892N	17, Hampstead Drive, Weston, CW2 5GT	Installation of two wood burning stoves, one in the converted garage and one in the conservatory. It was agreed that the Parish Council have no comment to make. Decision – Refused
16/1987N	Basford Old Creamery, Newcastle Rd, CW2 5NQ	Full Planning Permission - New industrial building replacing existing buildings, retaining B1, B2 and B8 classifications. Cllr Anne Broome spoke at the Southern Planning Committee on the 21 <sup>st</sup> December. Both Cllr Hewitt and Cllr Broome were thanked for their input of time. The application was approved with conditions including working hour restrictions and acoustic screening to include the Northern Boundary.
16/3464N	Land adjacent to Chorlton Lane	Change of use from agricultural to part agricultural and part keeping of horses. Retention of existing mess room and retention of existing septic tank and associated hard standing (retrospective). Cllr Clowes updated the Council. There are issues over whether the caravan is lived in or not. The focus is on getting the retrospective application into a suitable form.
14/5671N And 16/3092N	Former Gorstyhill Golf Club, Abbey Park Way, Weston, CW2 5TD	Appeal to the Secretary of State. The appeal dates are to be 31 <sup>st</sup> January over four days. It was agreed that Hough and Chorlton require representation. Cllr Broome, Cllr Pywell and Cllr Hewitt agreed to contribute to a response.

**16.105 FINANCIAL MATTERS**

**16.105.1 TO RECEIVE THE QUARTER 3 ACCOUNTS SUMMARY**

The quarter 3 accounts summary for 2016/2017 were received by the Council from the Clerk.

**16.105.2 TO DISCUSS AND AGREE THE 2017/2018 BUDGET AND PRECEPT REQUIREMENT**

The proposed budget and precept forecast was presented to the Council by the Clerk, Chairman and Vice Chairman. After discussion, it was agreed that Hough and Chorlton's Precept requirement for 2016/2017 be £23,690. It was further agreed that any funding for Neighbourhood Planning be taken from reserves.

The clerk left the meeting whilst pay was considered:

It was resolved that the clerk's pay increase by £100 per annum 2017/2018. It was further agreed that the lengthsman should receive a £30 per annum increase.

**16.105.3 THE FOLLOWING PAYMENTS WERE APPROVED**

Clerk's Salary December	£425.00
Clerk's mobile phone contract contribution December	£10.00
SID payment – made by clerk January	£10.00
Mr J Rance – grass cutting January	£460.00
Mr W Newton – Lengthsman January	£135.00
Webster's (Landscaping) January	£380.00
Cardiac Science – defibrillator and cabinet	£1890.00
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£3310.00</b>

**16.105.4 CURRENT BALANCES AS OF 31<sup>st</sup> DECEMBER 2016**

Balance in current account as of 31/12/16	£20,976.38
Balance in Savings Account as of 31/12/16	£2,949.66
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>£23,926.04</b>

**16.106 WARD COUNCILLOR AND PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS**

**16.106.1** Cllr Broome reported that she would like to attend the Holocaust Memorial Day on 22<sup>nd</sup> January in Sandbach.

**16.106.2** Cllr Broome reported that the Community Pride Competition will not be running in 2017.

**16.106.3** Correspondence has been received regarding a request from the North-West Air Ambulance Service and will be considered in February.

**16.107 DATE OF NEXT MEETING:**

**The next meeting will be the 10<sup>th</sup> February, 2017, 7:30pm, at Hough Village Hall.**

**Chairman: A. Broome**

**Date:**