

**MICKLE TRAFFORD & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL MEETING**  
**HELD ON**  
**MONDAY 14 JUNE 2021**  
**At THE VILLAGE HALL**

**Open Forum**

**PUBLIC**

None Present

**POLICE UPDATE**

PCSO BAILEY has been busier this month with the lifting of restrictions, allowing us all to enjoy more faces and places. Cheshire Constabulary have been campaigning around County Lines this month and the Chester Villages social media account has had several posts about identifying the signs, and reporting concerns. As usual I have been working with schools, community groups and the public in our community from school assemblies, speed monitoring and enforcement, to tackling anti-social behaviour.

The Clerk was asked to do all possible to ensure that either the PCSO Linda Bailey or Constable Rob Boulton attend the meetings.

**PRESENT**

Cllr M Parker - in the Chair, Cllr Rowlands, Cllr Jones, Cllr Woods, Cllr Payne, and Cllr Spence, and Cllr Sharpe.  
Clerk: - Mr D Bowker

**Item 01 Election of Chairman (Parish Council)**

It was proposed by Cllr Rowlands, seconded by Cllr Gardiner that Cllr Parker be considered for the above position. Cllr Parker agreed to stand, and no other candidates were proposed.

A vote was taken, and **all agreed**.

**Item 02 Election of Vice-Chairman (Parish Council)**

It was proposed by Cllr Parker, seconded by Cllr Payne that Cllr Spence be considered for the above position. Cllr Spence agreed to stand, and no other candidates were proposed.

A vote was taken, and **all agreed**.

**Item 03 Apologies**

Cllr Taylor and Cllr Smith - Personal  
Ward Councillor Graham Heatley

It was proposed by Cllr Rowlands, seconded by Cllr Parker and agreed by ALL that the reasons for the apology be accepted.

**Item 04 Declarations of Interest**

Cllr Parker – Village Hall

All councillors declared their interests as per their "Notification of Interests".

**Item 05 Approval of Parish Council Minutes.**

It was proposed by Cllr Spence, seconded by Cllr Payne and agreed by **ALL** eligible to vote that the minutes of the 4 May 2021 be accepted.

**Item 06 Planning Committee**

It was proposed by Cllr Spence, seconded by Cllr Rowlands and agreed by **ALL** eligible to vote that the minutes of the 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021 are noted.

**Item 07 Finance Committee**

It was proposed by Cllr Rowlands, seconded by Cllr Spence and agreed by **ALL** eligible to vote that the minutes of the 7<sup>th</sup> June 2021 are noted.

**Item 08 Annual Parish Meeting**

It was proposed by Cllr Parker, seconded by Cllr Rowlands and agreed by **ALL** that the draft Minutes of the Annual Parish Meeting held on the 4<sup>th</sup> May 2021 were noted by the Parish Council.

**Item 09 Councillors Special Duties List 2021/22**

See list at the end of the minutes.

**Item 10 QDJ Park Committee report**

There has been concern expressed about the lack of grass cutting in the park and this matter has been raised with our contractors. We are awaiting an explanation about why this situation has arisen again before considering whether or not this has been a breaking of the contract.

Cllr Rowlands will replace the junior swing seat this week.

Following the recent report from RoSPA issues raised by them will be addressed over the next few months.

**Item 11 Village Hall Report**

User groups are slowly returning to use the Village Hall but during the COVID period the Women's Institute has folded and there will be some other groups who may not return.

There had been some problems with the utility meter readings but between the Trust and the Parish Council this has been resolved and a large rebate has been received.

Cllr Rowlands has advised the Churchwarden that the Parish Council are aware of the peeling paint on the exterior wall of the building but feel that they should not undertake any repainting work until such time as the cause of the problem is fully investigated.

The Churchwarden was in agreement with the action being taken by the Parish Council.

**Item 12 Parish Council Vacancies**

It was agreed that the Parish Council would advertise the three vacancies between the dates of the 21<sup>st</sup> June 2021 until the 6<sup>th</sup> September 2021 in order that we can then co-opt at the Parish Council meeting on the 13<sup>th</sup> September.

**Item 13 Hoole LTC – Midsummer Event**

As the current COVID restrictions have not been lifted it is unlikely that this event will go ahead as planned in June 2021.

**Item 14 Parish Council Banner cost**

It was proposed by Cllr Parker, seconded by Cllr Rowlands and agreed by **ALL** eligible to vote that a maximum of £100 should be spent on banners to be used at the HLTC event later in the year.

**Item 15 Resilience Plan**

Deferred to next meeting.

**Item 16 Action Update**

**Planters**

We have now been advised that the cost of the planters has increased to 608.35 and it was proposed by Cllr Parker, seconded by Cllr Payne and agreed by **ALL** eligible to vote that it should be accepted.

**Interactive Speed signs**

CWaC are still awaiting receipt of the units.

**Ditch at School Lane**

It was proposed by Cllr Rowlands, seconded by Cllr Spence and agreed by **ALL** eligible to vote that the Parish Council would accept responsibility for the maintenance of the fence in the future.

**Hedge – School Lane**

No further information has been received from CWaC but we are aware that there has been an officer from CWaC delegated to catch up with hedge problems.

**Item 17 Matters raised at the discretion of the Chairman (Not for resolution)**

Cllr Parker advised that CWaC will be promoting a new Pink Poo Campaign from September and anybody wishing to be involved should contact either the Parish Council or CWaC

Cllr Parker advised that there was currently consultation going on about Parliamentary |Boundary Changes which will come into operation at the General Election in 2024.

Items on the agenda for the next meeting will be Flooding in Mickle Trafford, Parish Council Communication and discussion about a Parish Council logo.

**Item 14      Date and time of Next Parish Council Meeting**

Monday 12<sup>th</sup> July 2021 at the Village Hall @ 6.30pm

Meeting closed at 7.31pm

Signed.....

Dated.....