TWEMLOW PARISH COUNCIL

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting on Tuesday 5th March 2024

Present: C Brandreth (Chair), M Bayley, W Laverick, A Davies, R Chadwick (Cheshire East) & Mrs.

V Marchant (clerk)

1/24 Declarations of Interest: None

Apologies: N Burns & R Burns

Public forum: no public in attendance

19/24 Approve Minutes

Resolved: The Parish Council resolved to accept the minutes of the meeting of the 5th January as a true record of the meeting and were duly signed by the Chair.

20/24 Matters from minutes

Sign for the green – Cllr Bayley confirmed the sign is ready for installation subject to a break in the wet weather. **Action** – MB to erect when weather allows

Planter for the Green – Two large barrel planters to be installed. **Action** - NB to source two barrels

Twemlow Manor Fields – The cutting back of overgrowth has been actioned by Plus Dane. They sprayed the moss, but it needs further attention. **Action** – VM to contact Plus Dane for an update on the treatment to the paths.

21/24 Cheshire East Council report

Cllr Chadwick reported as follows;

There is a consultation underway regarding redrawing boundaries for the 82 Cheshire East Councillors. It is unlikely to affect Twemlow.

A consultation is running to make it easier for councils to request a pedestrian crossing.

A peer review for Cheshire East council has been voted in to coincide with the new council leader being in place.

There has been a vote to increase the costs of garden waste bins from £56 to £59.

The council will be voting on the 1st April 2024 on a green spaces policy which will decrease the frequency of grass/hedge cutting.

Cheshire East are supporting a falls related class through Everybody Health which will hopefully reduce the number of fall related injuries sustained by older people.

Cheshire East has a rural grants scheme to support small businesses in the area should any business need help with advice or funding.

There will be a 4.99% increase on Council Tax for 2024/2025

The parking charges consultation was voted through with a price increase agreed along with charges for parking on Sundays and Evenings.

22/24 Accounts

Balance of account £3290.22

Payments to authorise

£1060.80 Netwise – new website fee £801.40 Clerks Salary & expenses – Jan to March

Receipts - NIL

Resolved – to approve the above payments

23/24 Dane Valley Footpath

Holmes Chapel Parish Council will advise further re-progress in due course.

24/24 Highways

No accidents reported

The Grange school drop off – Following rude emails from the bus service provider the operations manager from The Grange school has intervened and the school bus is now parking further away from the junction. If anyone notices it creeps back, please let the clerk know.

Speed watch - PCSO's have now received training regarding the new systems. **Action** – VM to contact PCSO to request updated training for speed watch members

Damaged chevron sign on Twemlow Lane – **Action All** photos will be provided so the clerk can report the matter to Cheshire East

There is some debris on the hedge from a previous RTA – **Action All** photos will be provided so the clerk can report the matter to Cheshire East

The fingerpost sign is rusting and dirty – **Action** WL - photos will be provided so the clerk can report the matter to Cheshire East

25/24 Damaged phone box/defibrillator

The defibrillator battery will need checking weekly. As soon as the defibrillator is back on The Circuit plans will be put in place to ensure a weekly check is done

The Defibrillator stickers need putting on the new phone box – **Action** RB to put the stickers on once the defibrillator is up and running

The defibrillator pads have expired – **Action** VM to purchase new pads

25/24 Planning Applications

24/0182C

Outbuilding application to the south west of the existing dwellinghouse MAPLE HAYES, MACCLESFIELD ROAD, TWEMLOW GREEN, CREWE, CHESHIRE, CW4 8BQ

No objections

26/24 New Website

The new website is up and running and VM is populating the website when time allows. A new email address will also be implemented for the clerk & Chairman **Action** – VM will send a link to all the councillors

27/24 Noticeboard

Goostrey Community Shed will be happy to help with a repair to the noticeboard **Action** – VM to liaise further

28/24 Councillor vacancy

Action – VM to advertise vacancy on website & Facebook page

29/24 Local government boundary review

As per Cllr Chadwick earlier in the meeting Twemlow is unlikely to be affected

30/24 Clerks report

Nothing to report

31/24 Chairman and members report

WL reported that the Village signs are very dirty Action- Councillors to attend to cleaning of signs when the weather improves

32/24 The next meeting will be held on the 7th May 2024 at 7pm at the Yellow Broom restaurant. The meeting was closed at 8.45pm