

**PRESENT:** Councillor Jeff Warburton - Chairman  
Councillor John Atherden - Vice Chairman  
Councillor Sarah Atkinson Councillor John Erlam  
Councillor Chris Frankland Councillor Richard Jackson  
Councillor Amy Unwin

**IN ATTENDANCE:** Clerk Sue McDonald  
Members of the public

**1 APOLOGIES:** None

**2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS:** None

**3 MINUTES OF THE LAST MEETING**

To approve as a correct record the minutes of the meeting on 10th September 2018. Proposed by Councillor Frankland, seconded by Councillor Jackson

**4 POLICE REPORT**

PCSO provided the following report:

- No burglaries in the area
- Road Traffic Collision although no body was injured
- There is to be a Rural Watch meeting on 3rd December at Tabley Green

**5 TATTON ESTATE**

**5.1 General Report**

Annette McDonald, deputy MD of Tatton Estate Management, stated that there would be very little activity in the next few months.

She hoped that Ashley PC would agree to regular meetings with TEM.

Councillor Atkinson was disappointed that the drainage/flooding situation on Cow Lane had not been resolved. She added that TEM had a riparian responsibility to solve the issue of the collapsed culvert

**5.2 Agricultural Car Park at Ashley Hall**

It was explained that the situation regarding no agricultural vehicles had now been resolved

**5.3 Supporting Local Charities**

TEM is anxious to explore possibilities for supporting the village through local charities.

**6 SALVATION ARMY TEXTILE BANK**

The feasibility of having a clothes bank in Ashley was discussed and siting it at both the Church and the Greyhound were mentioned although no decision could be reached until more research was carried out until

**7 ST ELIZABETH'S CHURCH**

It was agreed that, to celebrate the 100 years of the ending of the first world war, an old diseased oak tree would be removed and a new oak sapling would be planted in its place.

Photographs would be taken of the event and the images would be placed in the Church along with a commemorative plaque. This being subject to permission from the PCC.

**8 COUNCILLOR MACRAE'S REPORT**

Councillor Macrae was in a meeting in Manchester and would be unable to make the meeting. He requested that an interim meeting be arranged between him, Councillor Warburton and the Clerk (who will arrange a suitable date).

**9 COUNCILLOR VACANCY**

Two people have expressed an interest in the vacancy and Councillors will discuss the applicants outside this meeting

**10 HS2**

There is to be a public information event at the Airport Marriott Hotel, Hale Barns, on 4th December 2018. Councillor Warburton reported that the HS2 project team had agreed to set aside some time for a private meeting on the day

The Clerk was asked to produce a draft response for submission to the public consultation on HS2 in readiness for final submission before 21st December 2018

There was general agreement that Ashley PC should hold a public meeting, in the near future, in order to explain the impact of HS2 on Ashley in a less technical manner. The HS2 subgroup will obtain large scale maps for use at the meeting which the Clerk will arrange in the next few weeks

## **11 M56 SMART MOTORWAY**

Councillor Jackson reported that the M56 Smart Motorway subgroup was very disappointed to report that Highways England (HE) were not intending to install acoustic barriers. The project was due to start in Spring 2019

Councillor Jackson had raised points he had garnered from researching acoustic barriers and information from the DMRB but no response had been forthcoming from HE.

He reiterated that acoustic barriers were a good solution to noise issues and should be used more widely. It would appear that HE were satisfied that they intended laying low noise in lanes 1 and 4

Councillor Jackson was in contact with the BBC who have expressed interest in the situation

The Council was still in agreement with the Smart Motorway subgroup's actions and the Clerk was asked to write to the Rt. Hon. Esther McVey and Rachel Bailey, the leader of Cheshire East Council

## **12 PLANNING MATTERS**

### **12.1 Planning Applications for Consideration**

None

### **12.2 Other Planning Matters**

None

## **13 FINANCIAL MATTERS**

### **13.1 Payments for Authorisation**

Proposed by Councillor Warburton, seconded by Councillor Atherden

£ 24.99	S B McDonald	Printer Paper
£288.00	A & G Blackburn	Maintenance at School

### **13.2 Budget 2019-2020**

None

### **13.3 Other Financial Matters**

None

## **14 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN**

Councillor Unwin reported that the LLCA was nearly complete and is just awaiting some photographs

Preparation for applying for funding had largely been futile because the way in which funding is applied for had changed

## **15 VILLAGE MATTERS**

### **15.1 Speedwatch**

No session had been held

### **15.2 Greyhound**

The manager has been turning the lights off at closing time

### **15.3 Ownership of Station Car Park**

The Clerk had contacted Network Rail but had not yet had a response.

A resident provided alternative contact details which may be more successful

### **15.4 Field Land Near Greenwing Garage**

Sterling properties had not responded to requests to tidy the field up but natural dieback is now taking place

### **15.5 Other Village Matters**

The station phone had been vandalised

## **16 HIGHWAYS MATTERS**

### **16.1 Overgrown Pavements, Gulleys, Drains and Potholes**

Councillor Macrae, in a telephone report, explained that John Tickle has moved on and is no longer in charge of Highways. Councillor Macrae will advise the Council of any progress at the next meeting

**16.2 Crashes at Cross Roads**

Nothing new to report

**16.3 Speed Indicator Devices (SIDS)**

Councillor Macrae had indicated that Ashley may be able to make use of a temporary SID

**16.4 Other Highways Matters**

None

**17 MANCHESTER AIRPORT**

**17.1 General Report**

Nothing new to report

**17.2 MIA/Parish Council Meeting**

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**19 GENERAL DATA PROTECTION REGULATION (GDPR)**

This is an award that can be used for village and community non-profit projects

The topic will be discussed in detail at a later meeting

**20 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION TIME (10 MINUTES)**

No issues were raised

**21 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

None

**22 CORRESPONDENCE**

All email correspondence forwarded to Councillors

Post

Highways England      M56 Smart Motorway information

Commercial              Mail Shots

**23 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Next year's Meeting dates - all at 8.00pm in the Community Centre at St Elizabeth's unless otherwise stated

Monday    7th January 2019

Monday    18th March 2019

Monday    20th May 2019 7.30pm ) Annual Meetings

Monday    20th May 2019 8.00pm )

Monday    8th July 2019

Monday    9th September 2019

Monday    11th November 2019

**24 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC**

*The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 10.15 pm*

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_ Chairman 7th January 2019