MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING OF ACTON EDLESTON AND HENHULL PARISH COUNCIL HELD AT ACTON PARISH HALL ON 24 MARCH 2022

PRESENT: Councillor Carol Mace
Councillor Nick Jackson
Councillor Claire Lewis-Jones

APOLOGIES: Councillor Philip Percival
Councillor Tom Doyle

ALSO IN ATTENDANCE: Councillor Sarah Pochin, Jackie Hatton

DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

No declarations of interest were received.

DISPENSATIONS

No Dispensation Forms were submitted.

MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING HELD ON 20 JANUARY 2022

AGREED: That the minutes of the Parish Council Meeting held on 20 January 2022 be approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

CAR PARK – STREETLIGHTING

Due to no invoice being received from Cheshire East Highways for the replacement LED lighting on the Car Park, 2 more quotes were sourced from Mike Thompson Electrical Ltd and DSH Electrical Ltd. Cheshire East Highways had been contacted in September 21 asking them for an invoice. Invoice was eventually received on 23.03.22.

AGREED: Carol Mace proposed and Nick Jackson seconded that the quote from DSH Electrical Ltd be accepted. The quote was for £929.52 inc VAT. Nick to contact DSH Electrical and ask them to carry out the works as a matter of urgency.

CHESTER ROAD & MONKS LANE – "WELCOME TO ACTON" ROAD SIGN

The 2 "Welcome to Acton" road signs need replacing. The Clerk had contacted Cheshire East Highways who had advised that Town/Village parish signs are the responsibility of the associated town/parish on which they indicate you are entering. If they wish to request that CEH replace the signs at the parish's expense then they cann submit a request through to the town and parish council top up service at: townandparishcounciltopupservices@cheshireeasthighways.org

Sarah Pochin said she would also take this up with highways.

QUEEN'S PLATINUM JUBILEE CELEBRATIONS 2022

Philip Percival had given his apologies for the meeting. However Claire Lewis-Jones reported on some of the events planned over the Jubilee Celebrations weekend:

Exhibition at the Church; Afternoon Tea; WI doing a food display to do with the Queen; televised activities of the weekend to be shown on a screen in the Church.

Philip to further address the Parish Council at the next meeting on 19 May.

The Woodland Trust had a Community Planting Scheme for the Jubilee. Nick Jackson to contact them.

Tom Doyle was getting a supply of trees from Reaseheath College for the community. A flyer would be circulated around the village offering a tree per house. Looking at Autumn time for the planting.

Philip had had a meeting with Church leaders and some trees, possibly 7, would be planted in the Churchyard.

PLANNING MATTERS:

DORFOLD HALL

19/5211N - The application for land south of Monks Lane and West of Chester Road had been put back and would go to Southern Planning Committee on 13 April now.

BOROUGH COUNCILLORS REPORT

Councillor Sarah Pochin attended the meeting. She reported that Cheshire East's Council Tax budget had been voted in at the last Council Meeting.

Carol Mace asked Sarah about the Community Governance Review. Where are we up to? The Parish Council didn't support the proposals from Cheshire East. The Chairman had written to Cheshire East but as yet had not had a reply. The Parish didn't like the suggested name of "Acton Parish Group" and would prefer "Acton Parish Council".

Parish Councils have been invited to a meeting of the Corporate Police Committee on 14 April at Sandbach Town Hall to speak about their Parishes. 3 minutes in total would be allocated to Acton. Need to let Katie Small at CE know who will be attending. Sarah Pochin advised that she would support the Parish Council in any way she could.

AGREED: Carol Mace to let Sarah know what we want to do and who will be speaking on behalf of the Parish Council.

CLERKS CORRESPONDENCE

The Clerk had no further correspondence to report.

FINANCIAL MATTERS

The Parish Council **AGREED** the following payments:

(a)	Acton Parish Hall – 24.03.22	£ 9.65
(b)	Clerks expenses 2021-2022	£ 90.00
(c)	Nick Jackson – Gardening Services	£802.50
(d)	Replacement Pads and Batteries for Defibrillator	£150.00
(e)	Nick Jackson – Gardening Services	£787.50

A third signatory is needed for the Bank Account. This item to be put on the Agenda for 19 May.

PARISH COUNCILLOR REPORTS

Jackie Hatton had attended the meeting and would come along to the next meeting on 19 May to possibly be co-opted on to the Parish Council.

Nick Jackson reported that some logs had been stolen off the Car Park. Also, houses bordering the car park had had people knocking on their doors in the early hours of the morning and at night. The Police have been informed.

Meeting finished at 8.40pm

The next meeting is the Annual Parish Meeting and Annual Council Meeting on **Thursday 19 May 2022.**