

# SNELSON PARISH COUNCIL

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## **Minutes of meeting of Snelson Parish Council held in Snelson Chapel Vestry on Tuesday 12<sup>th</sup> September 2017 at 7.30pm.**

**Present-** Cllr Gordon Phillips, Cllr Janet Winrow, Cllr John Firth, Cllr Dave Clarke, Cllr George Walton (Cheshire East Borough Council) and the Clerk.

**17.32 Apologies** – Cllr Hazel Ardern.

**17.33 Declarations of Interest** – None

**17.34 Police report** – PCSO Zoe Cox attended and a date was arranged for 13<sup>th</sup> October for a drop in session at the Chapel to give out Selecta DNA packs. This was subject to the chapel being available.

Reports of thefts from outbuildings and sheds are still coming in in neighbouring areas. And Chelford seem to be experiencing some problems with Anti-social behaviour by a number of youths who seem to travel to Chelford from Knutsford.

PCSO Cox was asked if anything could be done regarding the speed of vehicles down Mill Lane and Pepper Street. In particular a Lamborghini which comes down Mill Lane from the A50 direction at great speed on a regular basis.

**17.35 Parishioners Questions** – Mr & Mrs Kenyon were in attendance to find out about what is going on in the area and to discuss their concerns about the traffic on Common Lane.

**17.36 Approve Minutes.** The minutes of the last meeting were agreed and signed off.

**17.37 Matters arising from the minutes** – None

**17.38 Finance** The Receipts and Payments report was presented to the meeting; payments were agreed and signed off. The bank reconciliation was accepted and agreed by the meeting.

The new bank mandate requires Cllrs Winrow, Ardern and Clarke to attend a branch together to get the relevant forms signed and handed in. Cllr Winrow to discuss this with her colleagues and arrange an appropriate time.

**17.39 Highways** – the white lining has been done down Pepper Street and the beginning of Common Lane. It would be useful if it was extended down Pepper Street.

The HGV one way system was discussed and the current position outlined for the benefit of Mr & Mrs Kenyon. Cllr Firth has tried to speak to CE Highways to discuss this but communications are difficult and calls are not returned. Cllr Firth has received a copy of a proposed signage on a PDF document but the wording was wrong on the signs and the positions of the signs have not been agreed.

Also the PC have yet to see how much the signs are going to cost. Cllr Firth is to continue to try and contact CE Highways.. Once Cllr Firth is away then the Clerk will pick up the issue and try to get a response. The Parish Council has previously agreed to donate a sum (£1,500) to these signs to speed up the process.

The route of the agreed route was originally down Mill Lane and turning in to Common Lane and then out via Common Lane on to Pepper Street. CE Highways have advised a better route would be to turn off Pepper Street on to Common Lane and then out Via Common Lane and Mill Lane. This is because of the space needed for the very large trucks to swing out and there is insufficient space on Mill Lane and the owner of the house opposite will not donate a strip of his land to the highway.

Simon Wallace is also to maintain contact with Cllr Stanier regarding the Bell Curbs, wrongly installed last year. CE Highways are to rectify this as it is their error these are too high and reduce the width of the road too much.

The Common Lane sign at the Pepper Street end has still not been replaced and also the new Common Farm Lane sign is placed in a position that is misleading and needs to be moved. Clerk is to follow these up.

**17.40 Common**– The agent has emailed to say that the estate has let the shoot to Mr Gareth Crowson. He also pointed out the ownership of the Common Land. The Clerk responded to say that the ownership was not in dispute, it was what the landowner could do with the land as it was common land, regardless of ownership. The Parish council have asked him to keep them informed of any developments. All agreed that there was insufficient space for shoots so close to the road and it would create a parking problem.

**17.41 Planning** – Cllr Winrow attended the Local Plan launch meeting and had also spoken to Tom Evans from Cheshire East regarding a neighbourhood Plan. Mr Evans advised that if Snelson had no desire for development then we could rely on the Green Belt Rules and therefore they need not do a neighbourhood plan. The Clerk pointed out that a Neighbourhood Plan was about the future plans and did the Council not want to consider what planning of brownfield sites, such as farms, should they be no longer viable as farms in the future?

Cllr Walton suggested that it may be an opportunity to join with Chelford or Marthall. Cllr Winrow will look again at the subject and report back.

The Flood Survey needs comment by 27<sup>th</sup> September. Mr Kenyon offered to look at it as it is an area his business specialises in.

**17.42 Correspondence** – a list was circulated to the meeting.

Cllr Walton advised that a civil aviation authority consultation was taking place soon and meetings will take place soon. The clerk to advise.

**17.43 Items for the next agenda** – a list of meeting dates for next year to be discussed with a possible extra meeting in July

Meeting closed 20:30

**Next Meeting** 5<sup>th</sup> December 2017 at 7.30pm.