

SNELSON PARISH COUNCIL

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Minutes of a meeting of Snelson Parish Council held in Snelson Chapel Vestry on Monday 5th December 2012 at 8.00pm.

Present were Nigel Musson (Chair of meeting), Gordon Phillips, Eddy Hopkinson, George Walton and the Clerk.

12.01 Apologies Les Stanier, John Firth.

12.02 Declarations of Interest – None

The minutes of the last meeting were read out and signed as a true record.

12.03 Matters arising from the minutes –The grit spreader was not suitable but Cllr Stanier will continue to look out for something suitable at farm sales.

A letter has been received from East Cheshire Hospice thanking the Council for the donation of £79.20.

Cllr Musson reported that he had made contact with Over Peover parish council regarding high speed broadband. The Clerk suggested that the council might also benefit from joining with Ollerton and Marthall with strength being in numbers.

12.03.01 meeting resolved for the clerk to make the necessary approaches to enable this.

Cllr Walton also pointed to documents available in the council briefing notes outlining plans for investment. The Clerk is to circulate a link for this.

12.04 Common Cllr Stanier is to action spraying of the Japanese knotweed on the common.

12.05 Cheshire Railings – Cllr Hopkinson has discussed the stretch of fencing with John Williamson, who farms the land on which they are situated. They are of the opinion a day's work straightening and welding the railings and then re painting should have the desired result. As funding for replacement of the railings is looking doubtful the meeting felt this was the best way forward. **12.05.01 the meeting empowered Cllr Hopkinson to go ahead and do the required work. The clerk is to provide contact number of a mobile welder.**

12.06 Report From Cheshire East- CE Budget meeting has approved a 0% raise in borough council and fire and a 3.9% rise in policing costs to the tax payer. Refunds to parish council regarding the business planning for the un-parished areas of Crewe and Macclesfield should be received shortly. Snelson will receive £153.

LDF has now been renamed the Local Plan and consultations continue. The meeting was made aware that this local plan has to be approved by a government

inspector in respect of suitability. Wrexham has just had its plan rejected at such an inspection due to inadequate provision of traveller sites and affordable housing.

12.07 Highways – Andy Wilson has reported that all work has been completed that was reported last meeting. Pot holes that meet requirements for repair have been done.

12.08 Standing Orders and Financial Regulations – Clerk to draw up necessary documents for approval next meeting.

12.09 Finance - Internal Auditor to be reappointed for 2012/134 unless Cllr

12.10 Planning – None received

12.11 Correspondence received and noted from Chalc, Manchester Airport, Arley Homes re affordable housing, CPRE planning booklets, Cheshire Fire authority asking for support but meeting felt that it was not part of the councils mandate to support without canvassing public opinion and Cheshire east regarding amongst other things a consultation on mineral extraction planning policy. Cllr Phillips to look into this on the councils behalf.

12.12 Meeting dates for 2012/13 were confirmed as 11th June 2012, 10th September 2012, 10th December 2012 and 4th March 2013.

Next meeting is to be 11th June 2012 at 8pm. Meeting Closed.