

# SNELSON PARISH COUNCIL

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Chairman – Janet Winrow  
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## **Minutes of Parish Council Meeting held remotely at 7.30pm on Tuesday 5<sup>th</sup> May 2020**

**Present:** Janet Winrow (Chair), Hazel Ardern, David Clarke, Cliff Walsingham and the Parish Clerk

**Members of Public:** None

### **20.12 Receive apologies for absence**

Apologies were received from Cllr Firth and Cllr Stanier

### **20.13 Appointment of Councillor**

An election had not been called following the casual vacancy notice; therefore, members chose to fill the vacancy by co-option. Mr Cliff Walsingham expressed his interest in the vacancy. This was approved by all members present and Mr Walsingham was duly appointed. The Clerk awaits the completed Declaration of Acceptance of Office form and Register of Interests form.

**Action: Cllr Walsingham**

### **20.14 Questions from the public and police report**

There were no questions from the public and no police incidents to report. Police surgeries are not being held due to the current restrictions.

### **20.15 Declarations of Interest in any agenda items**

There were no declarations of interest

### **20.16 Approve the Minutes of the last meeting on 3<sup>rd</sup> March 2020**

The Minutes were agreed as a correct record. To be signed by the Chair at the next 'physical' meeting.

### **20.17 Matters arising from the Minutes, not already covered in the agenda**

There were no matters arising

### **20.18 Finance**

The Receipts and Payments report was approved

### **20.19 Highways**

It was reported Cllr Firth had made enquiries with Cheshire East regarding the repair of a section of ground around the Common which had collapsed.

Concerns were raised over the considerable flooding on Common Lane, the cause of which was considered to be collapsed drains from the weight of the large trucks visiting Highfield Farm.

Concerns were also expressed over the size and number of commercial vehicles which visit the farm and also that further works appear to be in hand behind Councillor Ardern's house. Options were discussed for putting a weight limit on the lane.

#### **20.20 Planning**

- **Neighbourhood Plan Update**

Cllr Walsingham reported progress had been slow due to the pandemic. A revised quote from Cheshire Wildlife Trust was received. Cllr Walsingham is attempting to make contact with Tom Evans from Cheshire East. The next stage will be the grant application.

- **Consider Planning Applications**

There were no planning applications for consideration

- **Consider Planning Decisions**

There were no planning decisions for consideration

#### **20.21 Housekeeping and Maintenance**

It was noted that Japanese Knotweed has appeared near the pond on Common Farm Lane. After much discussion, Cllr Clarke offered to dig out the weed and Cllr Walsingham offered to make enquiries into the pesticide.

**Action: Cllr Clarke and Cllr Walsingham**

#### **20.22 Correspondence**

There was no correspondence to report

#### **20.23 Items for the next agenda**

Annual Accounts and Audit  
Review Standing Orders and Financial Regulations  
Conduct Risk Assessment

Meeting concluded at 8.10 p.m.

The date of the next PC meeting is Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> July 2020