

PRESENT: Councillor R Dixon, Chairman
Councillor C Novak, Vice-Chairman
Councillor C Buckley Councillor A Davies
Councillor A Hewitt Councillor P Highfield
Councillor S Parker

IN ATTENDANCE: Jen Birch - National Trust
Members of the public

1 APOLOGIES:

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS:

None

3 MINUTES

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Annual Council meeting held on 10th June 2019. Proposed by Councillor Hewitt, seconded by Councillor Novak. RESOLVED: The Minutes of the meeting was accepted as a true record.

4 POLICE REPORT

PCSO Lisa Gamble was unable to attend but sent the following report::

- **Burglary**
04/07/2019- Bicycle stolen from a garage on Hollin Lane
- **Criminal Damage**
No reports
- **Suspicious Activity**
12/07/2019- Styal Road, report received of a female trying to stop traffic. An area search was carried out but the female couldn't be located.
- **Theft of motor vehicles.**
No reports
- **General Theft**
No reports
- **Other**
Unauthorised Encampment at Twinnies Bridge
20/06/2019 - The group was there for roughly a week. On their departure they'd left the area in a good state leaving rubbish in a couple of piles.
Vehicles parked on Hollin Lane Pavement
The vehicles were not causing any obstructions when officers attended. Vehicles parked half on pavement (it is not an offence to park on the pavement)
The area will be continued to be monitored as and when due to demand.
- **Airport parking**
Nothing new to add - Officers from Cheshire and Greater Manchester Police are continuing to deal with any jobs reported.

5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION TIME (10 MINUTES)

- **Openreach**
Openreach is laying cables along Altrincham Road near crash gate 4 at the airport perimeter. It would appear that this is an upgrade for IT cabling
A resident stated that this would be an opportune moment to include cabling for Broadband at the 'closed' end of Altrincham Road to improve the dire speeds achieved at present. He would be contacting Openreach to explore this opportunity.
The Council was grateful for the information, requested that Councillors were kept informed and the Council would be pleased to assist if necessary.
- At the Styal Sports and Social Club's AGM it was mooted that the parking places currently leased to Halo could be used for a car rental company and the money split between the club and Halo
The Clerk was asked to contact Kate Leigh of the SS&SC.

6 NATIONAL TRUST REPORT

Jen Birch of the National Trust provided the following report:

National Trust tenants received a newsletter over the last few weeks with a few important updates:

- **Village Car Park**

The changes to the car park in the village became effective from 1st July. This means restricting use for residents, school drop off and chapel visitors and encouraging visitors to Quarry Bank to park in the main visitor car park.

It is hoped that this will help to alleviate parking on Altrincham Road too.

Posters and information were shared in the run up to this and signage installed from 1st. A press release has been issued but as of yet it has not been picked up.

Flayers are being placed on car windows when possible, including at the weekend, to reiterate the message but appreciate that behaviour change can take time (some people have parked here to use the woods for decades).

Hopefully more residents will be able to park their second cars in the designated car park now and help to keep the village clear. We have concerns about emergency vehicle access and know that the parking outside of the Village Hub (old shop/bakery between Oak Cottages) would often make access for emergency vehicles to the cottages and the school very difficult. No parking signs are having little impact so we will be installing some bollards in that area which will also create a pedestrian corridor improving safety.

This work will commence on 29th July. Residents have been informed and access will be maintained at all times but there may be occasion where vehicles may be asked to wait a few moments to pass. At this time we will also be making some improvements to the small cobbled speed bumps on that road. Jerry, with our conservation building team and an NT stone mason will be carrying out the work so they will be fully aware of and sensitive to impact on residents.

- **Styal Residents Passes**

expire at the end of July and so this year's passes are ready to be delivered. They will be with residents by the end of July (note NT tenants do not receive residents passes as they receive tenants passes from the NT centrally).

- **Upper Garden Café**

Tenders are out at the moment to secure contractors for the build of the new permanent structure. It is aimed to close the current café after the school holidays and begin demolition and construction in September.

Information available at present has been shared with residents but when more is known, the NT will be building information sessions into visits/walks/tours with a more social focus for residents.

- **Late Entry Price**

A late entry price will be available after 3.30pm which will be £10 per adult and children go free. This is a trial up to and including 1st September and is aimed to reflect the fact that after this time in the day, there isn't enough time to see and do everything at Quarry Bank.

It is hoped that visitors will be able to make use of it over the summer months after school or work during the summer holidays and enable more people to enjoy this special place.

7 VILLAGE MATTERS

7.1 Parking at the School

Parking at the school has not improved, in fact it is getting worse. Driver still insist on driving down the cobbles
Councillor Dixon will contact the Chairman of the School Governors

7.2 Dog Bins

The National Trust is to install a bin near the electric gate

7.3 Overgrown Hedge at Lode Hill

Councillor Parker and Councillor Buckley will call at Lode Hill to request that the hedge be cut back. If this does not work then a polite letter from the Council will be hand delivered. Should this still not have an effect then Cheshire East will be asked to cut the hedge back and a charge will be levied on the owner of Lode Hill

7.4 Poppies

Peter Ashley is collecting poppy seeds which they currently donate to a local school. They wondered if the poppies were potted up could they be appropriate for the Styal Cenotaph next year. These would be donations so there would be no cost involved. The seeds are from pink and red double headed poppies.

The Council considered this a good idea and a generous offer but thought it prudent to check with Ian Jones

7.5 Other Village Matters**The Beer Festival**

The Council agreed that the organisers of the beer festival did an excellent job of clearing up on Altrincham Road. However, Councillors thought the cleaning up ought to extend to all roads in the vicinity of the beer festival

Some additional research is required into the use of a walking bus

8 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Councillor Highfield explained that he was at the stage where he could form a Neighbourhood Plan working group and would be contacting interested parties in the near future. He expected the group to comprise 5 or 6 people

9 FINANCIAL MATTERS**9.1 Authorisation of Payments**

£257.60	Zurich	Annual Insurance Premium
£180.00	HMRC	PAYE Q1

9.2 Other Financial Matters

None

10 HIGHWAYS MATTERS**10.1 Speed Indicator Devices (SIDs)**

A meeting will take place on Monday 29th July 2019 to discuss the way forward on purchasing a SIDI

Invitees are:

- Styal PC
- The Village Association
- Cheshire East Highways
- Cheshire Police
- Don Stockton
- The National Trust

10.2 Traffic Queues on Styal Road

Councillor Highfield had conducted a small survey of traffic near the Styal Road traffic lights which intersect with the A555 Airport Relief Road. Councillor Highfield noted that the traffic lights did not allow a clear flow of traffic and queues always formed.

The Clerk sent Councillor Highfield's results to Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM) but has not yet had a reply.

10.3 Incorrect Road Markings on Styal Road

The road markings on Styal Road just before the airport filter indicate that there the two lanes of traffic can go straight on whereas the only the right hand lane is for vehicles going straight on.

Manchester City Council responded that an Inspector would be sent out but nothing has changed

The Clerk will contact Manchester City Council again

10.4 Road Sign Cleaning

In addition to dirty signs, those obscured by foliage were equally problematic

Councillor Stockton had raised this with Cheshire East.

The Clerk had also contacted Highways about the issue but precise locations are required. The Clerk will contact everyone on the newlist etc. requesting information on the signs.

Problematic road signs include:

- Weight limit signs on Hollin Lane and Station Road. One these signs has also got a light out outside 18-20 Hollin Lane. The sign has also been hit
- sign obscured by bushes towards the closed part of Altrincham Road just past Holly Lane
- Speed restriction sign halfway along Styal Road (coming from Wilmslow) is obscured by a tree.

10.5 Lorries Using Restricted Routes

Nothing can be done unless the name of the company is known. Even then, without enforcement, the only recourse is to write to the company

10.6 Cars Parking on the Pavements

It is not an offence to park cars on the pavement - see Item 4 Police Report

10.7 Restricted Parking on Altrincham Road

It was agreed that a meeting should be convened to discuss the plans provided by Cheshire East to restrict parking on parts of Altrincham Road to three hours with no return for two hours. There would have to be a public consultation prior to any implementation.

10.8 Electricity North West Ltd. (ENWL)

ENWL have stated that they will be doing some work to safeguard the network due to the amount of development in the Styal and Airport areas. There will NOT be any road closures.

ENWL wanted to pre-warn Styal to ensure there is no repeat of the fiasco last year. A press release will be issued in the near future and ENWL will attend the next meeting in September if we wish

10.9 Other Highways Matters

Nothing was raised

11 OFF AIRPORT PARKING

11.1 Parking in Styal

Councillor Novak reported that Jet Parks 3 is continuing to be problem to Cheshire East due to ecological issues and a new wildlife survey will be required. He also reiterated that Lode Hill is full

11.2 Boundary Farm

The owners of Boundary Farm have set themselves up as a car hire firm. There is no planning permission in place for a change of use

50+ unregistered cars have been delivered to the site straight from the factory

It has been reported to Enforcement at Cheshire East

12 MANCHESTER AIRPORT

- Manchester announcement that a new 2,700 space car park will be built near Wilmslow Old Road. No precise details are available as yet

- Free Over 65s Strawberry Tea at Styal Cricket Club on 9th August 2019

The airport holds this event each year in Handforth and other nearby places. Some people from Styal have attended.

The airport realised that travelling to Handforth from Styal is difficult since the demise of the bus service. If this first event is successful it will become an annual event

- Received brochures containing details of Airport Departures in 2018

12.1 Airport Parking in Styal

Duplicate Item - see Item 11

13 PLANNING MATTERS

13.1 Planning Applications to be Considered

To discuss current planning applications

13.1.1 19/2801M Wilmslow Phoenix Sports Club

19/2801M	Wilmslow Phoenix Sports Club, Styal Road, Wilmslow, Cheshire, SK9 4HP Proposal to erect a replacement spectator seating area to the all weather sports pitch & adjust fence line to suit. The proposal is not designed to increase use of the overall facility.	15/07/2019
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The Council had neither objection nor comments

13.1.2 19/2957M 1, Oak Brow Cottages

19/2957M	1, Oak Brow Cottages, Altrincham Road, Styal, SK9 4JE Revised height for detached garage/garden room	25/07/2019
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Styal Parish Council objects to this planning application based on the following grounds:

The site is within the Conservation area and Green Belt and the revised ridge height for the garage/garden room is out of character with other buildings in the area.

The height of the building breaches permitted development rights within a Conservation area because it is 5.3 metres high, not the allowed 2.5 metres when the building is within 2 metres of a neighbouring property boundary.

13.1.3 19/3013M Pulrose, 40, Moss Lane

19/3013M	Pulrose, 40, Moss Lane, Styal, Cheshire, SK9 4LG Works associated with completion of Garage/Garden Room structure	24/07/2019
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Styal Parish Council objects to this planning application on the grounds that it is an inappropriate development in the Styal Conservation and green belt area

This garage/garden room has already been constructed and is very close to 56 sqm instead of the allowed 48 sqm

The plans show vehicles in the building but a visual examination strongly suggests that its construction would not allow for the storage of cars

13.2 Anwyl Homes Development

Anwyl Homes announced that it would be building 217 houses and there would be 19 house types including 1 to 5 bedrooms plus some affordable housing

According to planning application 19/2202M, the S106 allocation for new homes has been awarded solely to Handforth and Wilmslow, not Styal. The Clerk was asked to contact Cheshire East to establish what had happened.

Councillor Dixon remarked that he hoped the builders would consider including electric charging points and solar panels in the build.

13.3 Other Planning Matters

None.

14 SHARED ITEMS

Two website enquiries:

- Details of potential poppy donations - see *Item 7.2*
- Styal over 65s Strawberry Tea details

15 CORRESPONDENCE

All relevant emails were forwarded to Councillors

Post:

Manchester Airport	Details of departures during 2018
Commercial	Mail shots

16 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION TIME (10 MINUTES)

Nothing was raised

17 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Thursday 15th August 2019 at 7.30pm in Earlams Log Cabin

18 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

Members of the press and public will be excluded from this part of the meeting due to the confidential nature of the business as per Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.50pm

Signed: _____ Chairman 9th September 2019