

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

IN ATTENDANCE: Jo Hudson, National Trust
Jen Birch, National Trust
Members of the public

1 APOLOGIES: Councillor A Hewitt

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS:

None

3 MINUTES

The signing of the minutes of 9th September 2019 was deferred until the next meeting

4 POLICE REPORT

PCSO Lisa Gamble was unable to attend the meeting due to her shifts but she provided the following report:

- **Criminal Damage**
14/09/2019- Vehicle parked up on Styal Road (near the airport relief road) had damage caused to the boot
- **Suspicious Activity**
13/09/2019- Report of males approaching people's drives in the area of Station Road. Police searched area for males but there was no trace.
- **Theft of Motor Vehicles**
None
- **Theft**
11/10/2019- Theft of mini digger from address Hollin Lane
- **Parking - Hollin Lane**
30/09/2019- 2 vehicles causing a full obstruction to the foot path were issued with Tickets
- **Trucam**
As requested at last Parish Council meeting, Speed checks carried out on Sunday 20th October 2019 (late afternoon/evening). No results as yet
- **Surgeries at Earlams**
Saturday 9th November 2019 10am-11am
Thursday 14th November 2019 11am-12pm
Thursday 21st November 2019 10am-11am
Saturday 30th November 2019 10am-11am

5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION TIME (10 MINUTES)

Residents raised the following issues:

- Drainage
 - The drains on Altrincham Road are overflowing and it is affecting the National Trust and the Football Club amongst other sites and something needs to be done
 - Over 160 litres of water seeped into Clarendon Cottages on Station Road
Cheshire East are aware of the problems concerning drainage and is attempting to rectify the situation in the face of unprecedented rainfall
- Fly tipping
There had been fly tipping at and near the closed end of Altrincham Road and it was disgusting. A total of eight sacks were dumped on Holly Lane. Can cameras be installed?
Councillor Parker stated that she would take this matter up on the residents' behalf
- Finger Post
The finger post at the end of Altrincham Road is deteriorating. Cheshire East Highways had stated that it had been examined previously and, since it was not dangerous it could be left as is unless the situation changed

6 NATIONAL TRUST REPORT

Jo Hudson and Jen Birch, both of the National Trust, provided the following information:

- **Garden Cafe**

Work has started on the new Garden Café. Contractors are on site, old building has been demolished and work on the new building has begun.

The expected completion is Spring 2020, hoping to be open by the Easter holidays.

There is a temporary combined retail and food & beverage offer with hot drinks and pre-packed chocolate and snacks available.

The contractor's main route to site will be down the main drive to Quarry Bank, out along Apprentice lane and down Sandy Lane to the electronic gates at the entrance to the upper garden. The aim is to avoid construction traffic coming through the village wherever possible and if it is needed for any reason there will be a letter drop to residents it will affect.

Residents were informed about drop in sessions at which one of the team would be available at the Quarry Bank village hub to chat through any queries, questions or concerns. Three have taken place so far with no issues raised.

Further sessions will be held on:

Wednesday 30th October: 8.00am – 9.00am

Monday 11th November: 11.00am – 12.00noon.

As the build progresses, QB will review whether or not more of these sessions would be useful or a larger scale information session and hold these as appropriate.

- **Exhibition launch**

The Mill's latest exhibition 'A Healthy Profit' was launched on Saturday 19th October: It is a 6 month exhibition which will be exploring how the workers at Quarry Bank experienced health and illness, accident or injury, pregnancy and childbirth. What was the physical, mental and emotional experience of losing a finger, suffering from cotton lung, or returning to work days after giving birth

Through never-before-seen research conducted in partnership with The University of Manchester, and a variety of interactives – including a giant light-up brain – visitors will be able to explore the impact living and working at Quarry Bank had on certain parts of the body.

Comparisons to the modern-day strains we put our bodies under will encourage and inspire visitors to think about their health and wellbeing today.

- **Move to Winter Hours**

Quarry Bank moves to winter hours on 4th November. Built venues, shops and cafes are closed Monday and Tuesday and opening hours 10.30am - 4.00pm Wednesday - Sunday.

Gates to the car park will close at 6.00pm (rather than 8.00pm in summer hours). However it may be possible to keep the car park open later if community groups etc. wish to use the car park and so alleviate parking on Altrincham Road

- **Flood Damage**

Repairs are ongoing. The repairs to Farm Fold cottages are complete and the team is working hard to enable the Methodist Chapel to open for worship again as soon as possible. Repairs to the path network near the children's play area and hydro continue. The NT is working with the Environment Agency to consider options for river bank repair and silt removal.

- **Half Term Holidays**

There will be two weeks of half term activities to cater both for Cheshire East and Trafford holidays which fall in different weeks this year.

The activities began today with crafts, shows and interactives for children. There are also two evening events – October Lates - on 31st Oct and 1st November, which involve a more gory and gruesome tour of the mill to celebrate Halloween

7 MEETING WITH RT HON ESTHER MCVEY MP

Councillors Dixon, Davies, Hewitt and Highfield attended a meeting with Esther McVey on 11th October 2019.

The topics discussed were:

- Problems with the junction of Styal Road/A555 Relief Road
- Lode Hill.
- S106 Awards
 - Clay Lane/Sagars Road
 - A555 Construction

Esther sent the Clerk a letter outlining what was discussed regarding the above topics and explaining that she would provide the Council with information as and when it arrived, rather than wait until she had answers to everything

8 VILLAGE MATTERS

8.1 Parking at the School

Parking at the school had improved significantly. The new Head had been taking a proactive role in speaking to parents who park inconsiderately

8.2 Other Village Matters

Nothing was raised

9 OFF AIRPORT PARKING

9.1 Lode Hill

- Name of Company
The company operating Lode Hill is now called 'Meet and Greet Manchester Airport Services Ltd'
- State of the Site
There had been no improvement in the appalling state of the site and the fence panels were still missing
- Car Parking
Cars are still being parked on Altrincham Road and some are causing obstructions
- Overgrown Hedge
All procedures followed in order to get the hedge cut back:
 - Visited site to request a cut back
 - Delivered friendly letter requesting same
 - Reported to Highways after no response, and received an incident reference number
 According to the reference number this matter has been resolved. The Clerk will follow this up

Note that the issues surrounding Lode Hill were discussed at the meeting with Esther McVey- see Item 7

9.2 Boundary Farm

The problem of cars being parked everywhere appears to have improved significantly as of 24/09/2019

9.3 Other Parking Issues

See Item 15.2 Hollytree Cottage regarding a proposal to allow an extra 800 car parking spaces

10 STYAL SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB (SS&SC)

An official from the SS&SC had intended to attend the meeting but was called away on business at the last minute. He had informed other Committee members about the meeting but unfortunately nobody could attend.

11 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Councillor Highfield was pleased to report that the meeting on 16th October successfully got the ball rolling and the attendees went through the processes required to produce a Neighbourhood Plan

12 FINANCIAL MATTERS

12.1 Authorisation of Payments

£180.00	HMRC	PAYE Q2
£ 35.00	ChALC	Training

Proposed by Councillor Dixon, seconded by Councillor Davies

12.2 Receipts

To record that the Council received a VAT refund of £154.02

12.3 Re-signing of the Financial Mandate

The mandates to add additional signatories to the Council's Bank account had been incorrectly completed and needs re-signing

12.4 Other Financial Matters

None

13 HIGHWAYS MATTERS

13.1 Traffic Queues on Styal Road

Transport for Greater Manchester (TfGM) responded that they had factored Councillor Highfield's analysis into their ongoing talks. Traffic queues appear to be lighter recently

Jon Bottomley of Manchester Airport is aware of the problems and fully supports the Styal Council in its efforts to get the problem resolved.

13.2 Incorrect Road Markings on Styal Road

Manchester City Council stated that an Inspector would examine the road markings. However the road markings remain the same

The Clerk has since contacted Manchester City Council twice without success

13.3 Road Sign Cleaning

Both Councillor Stockton and the Clerk has raised this matter with Cheshire East
The responses received were that the signs would be maintained as part of the standard schedule.

13.4 Restricted Parking on Altrincham Road

Cheshire East has finished the informal consultation and the feedback has made some recommendations for a slight change.
Some of the information is confusing and the Chairman has suggested that a meeting with Cheshire East should be arranged.

13.5 Speed Indicator Device (SID)

Clerk has been researching into SIDs, has found some suitable devices costing c. £3,000. Details have not yet been sent to Councillors because prior approval of any proposed SIDs is required from Cheshire East.
A meeting to discuss the SIDs could take place at the same time as that to discuss restricted parking (Item 13.4) since the same CEC officer is responsible for both

13.6 Hedge on Hollin Lane

The Clerk had contacted the contractor who had cut the hedge in previous years but had not yet heard back

13.7 Other Highways Matters

Nothing was raised

14 MANCHESTER AIRPORT

Manchester Airport's Consultative Committee is 50 years old and Councillor Novak was presented with a globe in celebration. Councillor Novak kindly donated the globe to the school.
Councillor Novak stated that, for some reason, the National Trust had resigned its seat on the Consultative Committee. Jo Hudson stated that she would follow the matter up

15 PLANNING MATTERS

15.1 Planning Applications to be Considered

To discuss current planning applications

15.1.1 19/2202M Land Between Clay Lane and Sagars Road

19/2202M	Land Between Clay Lane and Sagars Road, Handforth SK9 3HF Application for reserved matters approval (appearance, landscaping, layout and scale) for the erection of 217 dwellings, landscaping, public open space, internal access roads, garages, car parking, and associated infrastructure	16/10/2019
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Councillors objected to the current allocation of S106 monies associated with this development.
It was noted that full planning permission was to be discussed at the Northern Planning Board on 23rd October 2019.

15.1.2 19/4204M Byways

19/4204M	Byways, Station Road, Styal, Cheshire, SK9 4JW Single storey rear extension and detached double garage	23/10/2019
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There were no objections or comments on this planning application

15.1.3 19/4542M 1, The Coach House

19/4524M	1, The Coach House, Stanneylands Road, Wilmslow, SK9 4HB Garage conversion and single storey side/rear extension.	22/10/2019
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There were no objections or comments on this planning application

15.1.4 19/4648M Threacre Cottage

19/4648M	Threacre Cottage, 55, Moss Lane, Styal, SK9 4LF Demolition of existing outbuilding and replacement with a residential annexe	07/11/2019
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Styal Parish Council objects to this planning application on the grounds that the proposal states the building will be a detached annexe but its size and location indicates that it will be a detached dwelling.

There is an absence of relevant information in support of the proposal that the building will be an annexe, nor has there been any convincing statements in support of special circumstances for creating a dwelling in the green belt..

15.2 19/0399M Hollytree Cottage

The application to allow an extra 800 cars parking spaces at Jet Parks 3 was approved
Councillor Dixon attended the Northern Planning Board meeting on 11th September to object to the proposal on safety grounds.

15.3 S106 Awards

15.3.1 Clay Lane/Sagars Road

The Council has still not had a definitive answer from Cheshire East regarding the lack of S106 monies for Styal

15.3.2 A555 Airport Relief Road

The Chairman recently discovered, in an informal conversation, that there may be a possibility for Styal to receive an S106 award for traffic calming measures as the result of the A555 development..

The Clerk contacted the S106 team at Cheshire East but has not had a response as yet.

15.4 Other Planning Matters

Nothing was raised.

16 SHARED ITEMS

Two website enquiries:

- Information about a free course relating to workers at textile mills including Quarry Bank
The course is free but the company is profit making, thus the Council cannot advertise this matter.
Quarry Bank was unaware of the course or its reference to the Mill
- Samaritans
The organisation wishes to post a link on the Council's website. Councillors are happy for this to go ahead

17 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION TIME (10 MINUTES)

Residents raised the following points:

- **Cars Parking at the Hollin Lane Horseshoe**
What can be done about cars which park for weeks on end?
If the cars are taxed there is little that can be done since they are legitimately allowed to park on the Highway unless they are causing an obstruction.
However, there are situations where cars can be deemed to be abandoned and can be removed by Cheshire East. The conditions under which this can happen are unknown although Councillor Novak stated that this could happen after three weeks
- **Parking at the Sports and Social Club**
Is this a new provision for parking?
The Council is awaiting details about the parking from officials at the SS&SC

18 CORRESPONDENCE

Emails: forwarded to Councillors

Post:

Esther McVey	Letter to the Clerk regarding recent meeting with Councillors
Commercial	Mail shots

19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 18th November 2019 at 7.30pm in Earlams Log Cabin

20 MEETING DATES 2020

(No meeting in December 2019)

Monday 6th January 2020	Monday 3rd February 2020	Monday 16th March 2020
April No Meeting		
Monday 4th May 2020	7.00pm Parish Meeting	
Monday 11th May 2020	Annual Council Meeting	
Monday 8th June 2020		
Monday 6th July 2020		
August No Meeting		

Monday 7th September 2020
Monday 5th October 2020
Monday 2nd November 2020
December 2020 No Meeting

21 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

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

Signed: _____ Chairman 18th November 2019