

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

IN ATTENDANCE: Clerk Sue McDonald
Jen Birch, National Trust
Members of the public

1 APOLOGIES: Councillors P Highfield and S Parker

2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST AND DISPENSATIONS:

None

3 MINUTES

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 9th September 2019. Proposed by Councillor Hewitt, seconded by Councillor Dixon.

To approve as a correct record the Minutes of the meeting held on 21st October 2019. Proposed by Councillor Novak, seconded by Councillor Dixon.

RESOLVED: The Minutes of the meetings were accepted as true records.

4 POLICE REPORT

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

- There is nothing new to note since the last meeting
- The Trucam Speed enforcement camera can be deployed before 4pm, due to the onset of dark nights
- Police Surgeries dates in December are:
Thurs 5th December 11am-12pm
Thurs 12th December 10am-11am
Saturday 21st December 10am-11am

5 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION TIME (10 MINUTES)

Residents raised the following issues:

- No Refuse Collection Solved
Bins were not collected from the closed end of Altrincham Road following the change in collection dates. Councillor Stockton contacted Cheshire East on the resident's behalf and the resident is pleased to report that the refuse collection is back in normal operation
- Road Accident
There had been an accident near Holly Lane approximately 50 yards beyond Norcliffe Hall in which a car had swerved across the road and ended up in a pond. An ambulance and the police attended the accident but little more is known at this point

6 NATIONAL TRUST REPORT

Jen Birch, of the National Trust, provided the following information:

- **Winter Opening Times**
Quarry Bank will be closed on Mondays and Tuesdays
- **Heritage Funding**
The National Lottery 'Thanks To You' initiative to thank players of the lottery is offering free entry to Quarry Bank from November 23rd to 29th. There are conditions attached to the offer.

7 FOLLOW UP LETTER FROM RT HON ESTHER MCVEY MP

To record that the Council received a follow up letter from Esther McVey explaining the actions she would be taking as a result of the meeting with Councillors on 11th October

Unfortunately no further action is possible since Parliament was dissolved and until the result of the General Election is known

8 VILLAGE MATTERS

8.1 Village Christmas Tree

Councillor Hewitt will take on the purchase of the village Christmas tree on the Council's behalf. He will be seeking assistance from Alan Gardiner and Ian Jones both of whom had been involved with the erection and decoration of the tree for many years (as had Councillor Hewitt)

Councillor Hewitt warned that this year would probably be the last time the 'old' team would be in charge of this annual event and other volunteers would be needed next year

8.2 Parking at the School

Parking at the school has continued to improve. Councillors agreed that this matter could be removed from Agenda

8.3 Other Village Matters

Nothing was raised

9 OFF AIRPORT PARKING

9.1 Lode Hill

These issues were discussed at the meeting with Esther McVey but the Council cannot report on any progress apropos work that was being undertaken by Esther

9.1.1 Operation of Site

Nothing new to report

9.1.2 Overgrown Hedge

The hedge appears to have been cut back but it is so slight that pedestrians are still having to step into the road.

9.2 Other Parking Issues

Police signs stating 'No parking Here' have been seen in some roads in Wilmslow. The Clerk has been asked to enquire about getting similar signs in Styal

10 STYAL SPORTS AND SOCIAL CLUB (SS&SC)

The plan to lease out parking spaces on a commercial basis has now been scrapped. No other information was forthcoming.

11 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

Councillor Buckley 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. The next step will be a stakeholder mapping exercise.

The next Neighbourhood Plan meeting will be on Wednesday January 15th at 7.30pm in the Welcome building at Quarry Bank

12 FINANCIAL MATTERS

12.1 Authorisation of Payments

£180.00	S McDonald	Reimbursement for PAYE Q2 (Council cheque not issued)
£ 26.61	S McDonald	Computer Paper and Envelopes

Proposed by Councillor Dixon, seconded by Councillor Hewitt

12.2 Other Financial Matters

Nothing was raised

13 HIGHWAYS MATTERS

13.1 Traffic Queues and Incorrect Road Markings on Styal Road

Reports have been received that the traffic flow is better than before and traffic queues are not so long.

13.2 Road Sign Cleaning

Both Councillor Stockton and the Clerk have raised this matter with Cheshire East but the signs remain in the same condition

The Clerk was asked to contact the Head of Highways.

13.3 Restricted Parking on Altrincham Road

Nat Maltese, of Cheshire East, will meet with Councillors to discuss the proposals and has offered some potential meeting dates. Councillors will discuss availability outside the Council meeting .

13.4 Speed Indicator Device (SID)

Nat Maltese is the officer who can advise on the suitability of a SID for Styal so the Agenda for the meeting mentioned at 13.3 above will also include an item on SIDs

13.5 Hedge on Hollin Lane

The contractor who had cut the hedge in previous years has stated he will be cutting it in the very near future

13.6 Other Highways Matters

There are road closures on Station Road/Stanneylands Road for at least four weeks whilst the roundabout opposite the hotel is completed. Once the roundabout is completed, Cheshire East is intending to close Styal Road to repair the wall near Twinnies Bridge - this work will probably take place in January 2020

14 MANCHESTER AIRPORT

- **Buy with Confidence Scheme**
Manchester City Council in conjunction with Manchester Airport have launched a 'Buy with Confidence' scheme which is aimed at rogue meet and greet car park operators
- **Train Passes**
Manchester Airport's Wendy Sinfield and its Head of External Affairs have announced a scheme whereby 3 free train passes will be issued for journeys between Styal and Manchester Airport (also including Wilmslow). The passes will only be available to Styal residents who are over 60, for use on a one day use and return basis according to strict conditions
Initially the passes will be available on a one month trial basis to test their popularity and thus their viability
The Clerk will write a letter of thanks to Wendy

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	20/11/2019
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Councillors had already objected to the current allocation of S106 monies associated with this development. The application was due to be heard by the Northern Planning Board on 23rd October but the session was cancelled.

The application is now due to be heard at the Northern Planning Board on 20th November. Councillor Dixon is intending to speak at the hearing to state Styal's concerns about the development and S106 awards.

15.2 S106 Awards

Esther McVey had agreed to follow up on the next two issues but, at present, it is not possible for her to continue working as an MP on the Council's behalf,

15.2.1 Clay Lane/Sagars Road

No progress

15.2.2 A555 Airport Relief Road

No progress

15.3 Other Planning Matters

Nothing was raised.

16 SHARED ITEMS

- **Website Enquiry**
Request from a resident for a Councillor's email address

17 PUBLIC PARTICIPATION TIME (10 MINUTES)

Residents raised the following points:

- **130 Bus Service**
It is rumoured that the 130 bus service from East Didsbury, through Wilmslow and on to Macclesfield is to be axed. This would leave residents with no means of getting to Macclesfield hospital
The Clerk will contact the relevant authorities to establish the veracity (or otherwise) of the rumour
- **Unattractive Cladding**
The cladding on one of the new houses at Lowcot is very unattractive to look at
Whereas there was general agreement about the cladding, the Council has no powers to intervene in personal preference matters

- **Gully Cleaning**
There is so much rubbish in the gullies that simple drain cleaning will not solve the flooding problems. The gullies need deep cleaning.
The Clerk will contact Highways
- **Marooning of Styal**
At the time of the recent heavy rain, Styal village effectively became marooned because Twinnies Bridge was closed, as was Station Road /Stanneylands Road and the A555 going east from the traffic lights. This is of great concern especially when considering the inability of emergency services being able to reach Styal village
The Clerk will contact Highways
- **Parish Council Notice Boards**
The notice boards are looking tired and need refurbishing.
The Council intended to refurbish or replace the three notice boards on an annual rolling basis which will obviously incur a cost. The carpenter who used to look after the notice boards has since retired but the Council does not, at present, have a replacement. The National Trust has generously offered the Council one of its notice boards which will soon become redundant

18 CORRESPONDENCE

Emails: forwarded to Councillors

Post:

Esther McVey	Follow up letter
Commercial	Mail shots

19 DATE OF NEXT MEETING

Monday 6th January 2020 at 7.30pm in Earlams Log Cabin

20 EXCLUSION OF PRESS AND PUBLIC

The Chairman thanked everyone for attending and closed the meeting at 8.35pm

Signed: _____ Chairman 6th January 2020