

HEAPEY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES of the Meeting held on 5 November 2019 at 7.30 pm in St Barnabas Church, Heapey.

Present Cllrs C Grunstein (Chairman), G France, M Osborne, J Ross-Mills and S Townsend.

19.76 Apologies for Absence

Apologies were received from Councillor A Crompton and County Councillor K Snape.

19.77 Declarations of Interests

None declared.

19.78 Minutes of the Meeting held on 3 September 2019

Resolved: the Minutes (as circulated) were approved and signed by the Chairman as a correct record.

19.79 Public Participation

Information was provided on building on Coppice Lane which may not be in accordance with a planning permission. This is to be referred to Chorley Council's Enforcement Officers for investigation.

19.80 Planning Matters

19/00843/FUL Removal of Conditions 5, 6 & 7 of Application 17/01183/FUL at West View, Chapel Lane

19/00965/DEMCON Application for Prior Notification of Demolition of former meter house previously used in connection with water supply purposes at Meter House, Tanhouse Lane

Councillors had no objections to these applications.

19.81 Financial Matters

- i) Resolved: the monitoring statement was received and accepted and signed by the Chairman.
- ii) A request from Chorley and South Ribble Shopmobility for a contribution towards the cost of maintenance of mobility equipment was considered,
Resolved: a grant of £50 was awarded.
- iii) Councillors considered the amount of the donation to the Royal British Legion Poppy Appeal.
Resolved: a donation of £100 was agreed.
- iv) Councillors considered requests for payment to the Council.

£ 15.00	Heapey Parish Church	Room hire
£ 71.70	DWG (NW)	Grass cutting
£ 70.00	M Hughes	Planting consultancy
£ 105.80	Inland Revenue	PAYE
£ 521.23	Employee 1	Salary and reimbursements
£ 50.00	Chorley and South Ribble Shopmobility	Grant
£ 100.00	RBL Poppy Appeal	Donation

19.82 Internal Audit

The annual review of the effectiveness of the internal audit was carried out.

Resolved: the current system of internal audit was found to be adequate.

Councillors discussed the appointment of an Internal Auditor in accordance with guidance provided within Governance and Accountability for Smaller Authorities in England 2019.

Resolved: Mrs A Partington was appointed and the fee was set at £80.00.

19.83 Precept

Items for inclusion in the precept for 2020-21 were discussed. Suggestions are to be sent to the Clerk.

19.83 Planting Project

A comprehensive report, carried out by a professional gardener, identifying suitable types of plants for various locations in the parish was circulated. Councillors were invited to visit the suggested locations prior to the January meeting when further discussions, including costings, will be held.

19.84 Heapey Chase Flooding Issues

A length of Heras fencing had been thrown into the lodge sluice shaft and had been removed with the assistance of a Chorley Council Officer.

19.85 Reports from Outside Bodies

Neighbourhood Area Meeting - the project to provide an entrance marker for Heapey Chase is in progress and designs are to be provided for approval. The improvement to the Goit footpath in White Coppice has been completed.

Chorley Liaison - an item to discuss the feasibility of alternative energy supplies, including a solar farm on the top reservoir, was deferred to the next meeting.

19.86 Date of Next meeting

Tuesday 7 January 2020.

There being no further business the Chairman declared the meeting closed.