Minutes of the Meeting of Littleton Parish Council held at Chester Rugby Football Club on Monday 7 March 2022

PRESENT: Parish Councillor Caroline Marrison Gill (in the Chair) and Parish

 Councillors Bettie Gilliatt, Huw Morgan and Hilary

 Davies

IN ATTENDANCE:

22/01 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Parish Councillors Anne Stockdale, Clive Lovering and Rob Evans, CW&C Councillor Stuart Parker and PCSO Linda Bailey.

22/02 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETING

RESOLVED: that the Minutes of the Meeting held on 6 December 2021 be

 confirmed as a correct record

22/03 MATTERS ARISING FROM THE MINUTES

1) Collapsed Sewer – Councillor Stockdale reported that the sewer that had collapsed on Littleton Lane was still not repaired and it would be some time before it was complete.

**22/04 ROAD MATTERS**

1) Loose Grids on A51 – Councillor Morgan reported on the letter that had been sent to CW&C about the longstanding problems with some of the grids on the A51 which was due to their unfortunate positioning. A response had been received and a meeting on site was being set up to discuss the matter. It was important that they fix the problem rather than just make repairs.

**22/05** **PLANNING APPLICATIONS**

1) 21/04538/FUL – Vicars Cross Golf Club – Proposed level changes of the driving range and short game area and extension to the existing driving range

(Councillor Morgan declared an interest and withdrew from the meeting whilst the item was discussed)

The Parish Council had no objections to the overall scheme but had concerns arising from the significant amount of landfill material that would be transported to the site. This would undoubtedly involve a large number of HGVs approaching the site on the already over capacity A51. It was unclear how the HGVs would access the site, it being vital that any such entrance/exit was a safe access. The Parish Council would also expect the appropriate environmental safeguards to be in place re the landfill material.

RESOLVED: That the Parish Council’s observations be conveyed to the Planning

 Officer

**22/06 PARISH COUNCIL FINANCES**

# The Clerk presented his customary report on the finances of the Parish Council.

RESOLVED: that i) the report of the Clerk be received

 ii) the Parish Council request a Precept of £3,500 for the

 forthcoming year

**22/07 ACCOUNTS FOR PAYMENT**

RESOLVED: that the following payments be authorised:- £

1) Clerk’s salary – January (less tax) 128.80

2) HMRC – PAYE – January 32.20

3) Typing and office services 26.92

4) Dougherty & Allen – Room Hire 48.00

**22/08 CLERK’S EXPENSES**

RESOLVED: that the Clerk’s expenses be reimbursed in the sum of £2.00

**22/09** **CORRESPONDENCE RECEIVED**

Since their last meeting the Parish Council had received correspondence which included:-

Cheshire West and Chester Council -

Planning notifications

Director of Transportation and Highways – response re A51drains

Integrated Sustainable Transport Taskforce – minutes

2022/23 Precept Request

Cheshire Constabulary – PCSO Linda Bailey – Newsletters

Cheshire Association of Local Councils – E Bulletins

Tree Planting Day (11 March) – explore possibility of acquiring saplings for Hare Lane Copse

**22/10 CALENDAR OF MEETINGS**

RESOLVED: That the next Meeting of the Parish Council be held on

 Monday 7 March 2022

**22/11 ANY OTHER BUSINESS**

1) Maintenance of Hare Lane Copse – the Clerk had obtained an estimate for work to be carried out twice a year to keep the undergrowth in check and clear of the saplings that the Parish Council had planted several years previously.

It was agreed, however, that an alternative quote be sought. As it was hoped to start work prior to the next meeting it might be necessary for consideration of the quotes to be carried out by the Chairman. **CMG/DT**