

MINSHULL VERNON & DISTRICT PARISH COUNCIL

(Leighton, Minshull Vernon and Woolstanwood)

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NOTICE OF PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

DATE: MONDAY, 7 MARCH 2011

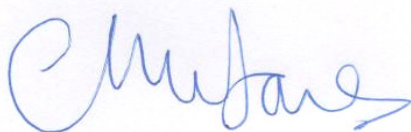
TIME: 7.30 PM

**VENUE: ST PETER'S COMMUNITY HALL
MINSHULL VERNON**

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Chairman: Doug Forrest: Tel: 01270 584056

Signed



To: Members of the Parish Council
[W Barnes, W T Beard, D N Bebbington, P K Butterill, D Forrest (Chair),
K Halford (Vice-Chair), R Hollinshead, L Horne, Mrs L Horne, M McGlone, B Palin,
J Parker, D Preece, J Whittingham, M Wilson and J Winstanley]

MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THIS MEETING

NOTES:

1) Members of the Public

The Parish Council welcomes and encourages members of the public to attend its meetings. You are requested to enter and leave quietly and to remain quiet during the meeting. Mobile phones and pagers should be switched off, and no food or drink should be brought into the meeting.

If you do attend, copies of the agenda and accompanying papers will usually be provided for you.

The Parish Council has a Public Question Time Procedure and members of the public are able to ask questions during the 15-minute slot in the early part of the meeting. In addition, if you feel there is a matter which should be brought to the attention of the Parish Council you may contact the Clerk, the Chairman, or any member of the Parish Council, and arrangements can be made to place the item on the agenda for the next meeting, if appropriate.

On occasions, members of the press and public will be excluded from the meetings when the business to be transacted is of a confidential nature, for example, dealing with individual people, contracts and financial affairs of other parties.

If you require any further information, please contact Carol Jones, the Clerk to the Parish Council (details on the front page).

2) Members of the Parish Council

Planning Grounds: Parish Councillors are reminded of the grounds on which comments can be made on planning applications, as follows –

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| 1 | Development Plan in all its aspects | 8 | Appropriateness of use taking account of local area |
| 2 | Government legislation and guidance (PPG) | 9 | Effect on highway safety and parking |
| 3 | Siting | 10 | Landscape |
| 4 | Design | 11 | Listed buildings |
| 5 | External appearance | 12 | Conservation areas |
| 6 | Compatibility with street-scene | 13 | Land contamination |
| 7 | Development affect on neighbouring properties, amenities and privacy | 14 | Flooding |

Non-Relevant Matters

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| 1 | Matters controlled by other legislation | 6 | Business competition |
| 2 | Effects on private rights | 7 | Personal circumstances – health/finance |
| 3 | Provisions in covenants/deeds | 8 | Ownership |
| 4 | Effect on property values | 9 | Moral issues |
| 5 | Private opinions | | |

Note: If the Parish Council agrees, in principle, with an application, but not in all aspects, suggestions for “development conditions” can be made, in line with relevant factors.

A G E N D A

1 APOLOGIES FOR UNAVOIDABLE ABSENCE

2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

Members to declare any personal or prejudicial interest which they have in any item of business on the agenda, the nature of that interest, and, if necessary, to leave the meeting prior to the discussion of that item.

Declarations are a personal matter for each Member to decide. Whilst the Clerk will advise on the Code of Conduct and its interpretation, the decision to declare, or not, is the responsibility of the Parish Councillor, based on the particular circumstances.

3 MINUTES OF THE PREVIOUS MEETINGS

To approve as correct records the minutes of the meetings held on 13 December 2010 and 24 January 2011.

Note: The Clerk is still undergoing physiotherapy for her recent injury. The minutes of the meetings held in December 2010 and January 2011 will follow under separate cover/be tabled at the meeting.

4 MATTERS ARISING (not detailed elsewhere on the agenda)

Members to raise any issues under the minutes of the previous meetings.

5 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

In accordance with the Parish Council's Standing Orders, a period of 10 minutes is allocated for members of the public to ask questions.

6 POLICE MATTERS

To receive an update in respect of any police matters within the parish.

7 BLOOR HOMES – DEVELOPMENT IN THE PARISH

The Clerk has made contact with one of the Directors of Bloor Homes (Mr Will Scorn) regarding the proposed development in the parish. The Clerk will report to the meeting; alternatively, a representative from Bloor Homes will be in attendance.

8 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

10/4836N – Mablins Lane CP School – timber-framed polycarbonate roofed study area
11/0401N – 10 Wharfdale Avenue, Crewe – single-storey extension
11/0456N – Linear House, Marshfield Bank, Woolstanwood

9 FINANCIAL MATTERS

9.1 Theft of Battery – Trailer-Mounted Vehicle Display Unit

To report that the battery from the vehicle display unit has been stolen. The matter has been reported to the Police and to the Parish Council's insurers. TWM of Winsford (the supplier) has quoted £600 for the replacement battery. As the matter is currently being dealt with by the insurers, it is suggested no action be taken at the present time.

9.2 Security Unit

A quotation for the supply of an alarm for the unit is appended below. This will reduce the risk of theft in the future. The Parish Council is invited to consider acceptance of one of the quotations.

Two options –

1. A simple Yale keypad operated system @ £ 135.00
2. A silent system that sends text alert messages when the battery cabinet is opened @ £ 480.00

9.3 Authorisation of Payment

£tba Mr L Horne – expenditure to cover the cost of ink cartridges for printing associated with the Speed Watch Scheme.

£2,042.52 AON Insurance – annual premium

Note: This payment was not included on the hard copies already issued.

9.4 Receipts and Payments Statement – 1 April – 31 December 2010

To receive the Receipts and Payments Statement for the period to 31 December 2010.
(to follow/to be tabled)

10 PARISH COUNCILLORS' REPORTS

Members are invited to share information or request the inclusion of items on the next agenda.

11 LOCAL AREA PARTNERSHIP (LAP)

To receive an update on LAP activities and the agreed ward list of Nantwich LAP roadworks for 2011-2012.

12 CORRESPONDENCE

To report receipt of correspondence.

- ChALC Newsletter – March 2011. The Parish Council is asked to note that HMRC is changing its arrangements for the treatment of tax payable by Parish Clerks. In future, all Parish and Town Councils will need to be registered as employers. The Clerk is seeking guidance and will provide an update at the April meeting.
- Rural Planning Facilitation Service: gives any rural business/farm, the opportunity to speak to a planning adviser about any diversification or new plans they may have for their business/farm. The Rural Planning Advisers are all qualified planners with local knowledge and experience of rural planning in the Cheshire region and will provide up to 1.5 days independent advice at no cost.
- CEC is upgrading its planning system and no planning lists will be available until 11 March.
- The Playing Field – published by Cheshire Playing Fields Association
- Cheshire Community Action – St Patrick's Day event 17 March 2011
- Cheshire Community Action Newsletter – February 2011
- Community Asset Transfer – eyes wide open (the Big Society Works Ltd)

13 ELECTIONS – 5 MAY 2011

Members are reminded that there are “all out” elections on 5 May 2011. The Notice of Election will be published on or around the 28 March. There is a relatively short turn-round time between publication of the notice and the submission of candidacy papers. The Clerk will make enquiries before the meeting, and, if possible, will provide nomination packs for Members.

14 NEXT MEETING

18 April 2011