



Maintenance of bus shelter (annual contribution made by MVPC)	The Parish Council previously contributed to the maintenance of the bus shelter, to the former CCC.	The maintenance of the bus shelter was a 5-year commitment. This had now come to an end and there was no requirement for the Parish Council to pay a contribution.
Drainage – Bradfield Green	Write to Messrs Jinks who are owners/occupiers of the land affected by the flooding problems.	Letter sent to Mr Laurence Jinks.  Follow-up letter sent 9 December.

A response had been received from Ms S Jinks to the effect that they had not cleaned out the ditches for some time, but the primary reason for this was that 4 years previously she had been informed that Parish Council was planning to pipe the length of ditch.

She was fully aware of her obligations under the regulations but had assumed that the matter was being dealt with by the Parish Council.

A motion was put to the meeting that a survey of the drainage system be undertaken. The matter was put to the vote and was lost.

The Clerk was asked to contact the Environment Agency in an effort to make progress.

Hedge-cutting – Minshull New Road	Write to CEC requesting hedging on both sides of road to be cut back to enable pedestrian access.	An e-mail had been sent to M McCuaig of Cheshire East Highways.  Still outstanding
Traffic-calming – A530	Write to Portfolio Holder for Community Safety, with Police on copy.	Cheshire East Highways had marked this down for a surveyor's inspection and report back.
Removal of old notice-boards at Parkers Road and Coppenhall Lane	Ask CEC to remove at its own expense	Cheshire East Council can remove unwanted notice-boards but there would be a charge.

**The Clerk was asked to make enquiries about the cost of removal.**

Branding of new notice-boards		Sample to be provided at the meeting. The cost is £35 per notice-board if the Parish Council affixes the notices, and £70 per notice-board if Whitehill Direct fixes the notices.
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Samples were not available at the meeting. Notwithstanding this, it was

**RESOLVED:** That new signage be purchased for the notice-boards and that arrangements be made for these to be affixed by Whitehill Direct.

Creation of pedestrian safety route Minshull New Road to Parkers Road	Letter sent to M McCuaig and Stuart Bateman.	Reply awaited.
Possible retrospective contribution to cost of fixed vehicle display speed unit	Cheshire East Council requested to consider retrospective contribution.	The Head of Regeneration (Cheshire East Council) had confirmed that all such funding had been removed from the Local Transport Plan and was no longer available.  Further to the above, an e-mail had been sent to M McCuaig to ask for his efforts in securing funding. No further information was available.

### 340 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

In accordance with the Parish Council's Standing Orders, a period of 10 minutes was allocated for members of the public to ask questions. There were no questions from members of the public.

### 341 POLICE MATTERS

There were no police matters to report.

### 342 MATTERS RAISED BY PARISH COUNCILLORS

- (1) Mr D Preece: Request for Grant from representatives of the Peer Mentoring Programme, Leighton Primary School.

In the absence of Mr Preece, this item was deferred to the January 2011 meeting.

- (2) Mr L Horne: Derelict House. Mr Horne had met on site with an Officer from Cheshire East Council and now reported that action was expected by the Summer. If no improvement was made, the Council could compulsorily purchase the house.
- (3) Mr W T Beard: Reported that a request for "No cycling" signs on Carrington Way/Mablins Lane.
- (4) Mr M McGlone: Reported on cable installation works Moss Lane and A530 Middlewich Road,Bradfield Green.

### 343 PLANNING APPLICATIONS

**343.1** 10/4483N – 8 Mills Way, Leighton – family annexe conversion.

**RESOLVED:** That no objections be raised.

**343.2** 10/4376C – Hillside, Middlewich Road, Minshull Vernon

A member of the public, who had contacted Mr B Palin about this application, was concerned about the implications for the parish. The Clerk had advised the resident that all those affected by the development would be consulted on the application by Cheshire East Planning Department.

**344 FINANCIAL MATTERS**

**344.1 Budget Proposals – 2011-2012**

The Parish Council received an updated budget proposals report for 2011-2012. Members would be asked to finalise proposals at the January meeting.

The Clerk was asked to make enquiries about the regulations covering reserves.

**344.2 Authorisation of Payments**

**RESOLVED:** That the following payments be authorised.

£32.75	Mr M McGlone Website domain registration and associated expenditure.
£4.97	Mr L Horne: Purchase of magnets for use on new notice-boards

**345 UPDATE ON PROJECTS/STANDING ITEMS**

**345.1 Speed Watch Scheme/Traffic Management**

Mr Les Horne reported on recent activities under the Speed Watch scheme and the new Traffic Management Scheme. The Road Safety Partnership had agreed to monitor traffic on the A530 and Minshull New Road.

**345.2 Local Area Partnership (LAP)**

It was reported that the LAP Assembly had met on 2 December 2010.

**346 CORRESPONDENCE**

The following correspondence was reported -

- Partnerships Newsletter [PACE] (Cheshire East Council)
- Police Question Time: Debate in Macclesfield – 17 January 2011  
The meeting will debate the Chief Constable's objectives for the forthcoming year. There will be a question and answer session. Questions can be e-mailed to [police.questiontime@cheshire.pnn.police.uk](mailto:police.questiontime@cheshire.pnn.police.uk)
- Electoral Review information
- Abolition of the Standards Board regime  
The Coalition Agreement *Our Programme for Government* included the commitment to abolish the Standards Board regime. Notification has been received that this will take place as part of the enactment of the Localism Bill. The current arrangements continue until the "appointed day" when it will be a matter for principal authorities to decide on their own regime for maintaining high standards of conduct in office.

**347 RESIGNATION – ALAN FORREST**

It was reported that owing to increasing personal and business commitments, Alan Forrest had resigned as a parish councillor. The Clerk was asked to write to Mr Forres to thank him for his contribution to the work of the Parish Council.

**348 SHARED ITEMS**

The Clerk was asked to report a pot-hole on the Barrows Green roundabout.

**349 NEXT MEETING**

24 January 2011

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