WYBUNBURY PARISH COUNCIL

MINUTES OF A MEETING HELD ON 13th JANUARY 2014 AT THE VILLAGE HALL, WYBUNBURY

PRESENT: Cllr. P W Jackson, Chairman, Cllrs. S Brownell, R Ellison-Jones, J Mahon, B Colbert

D Duthie, S Howcroft, N Arnott

IN ATTENDANCE: The Clerk, M Forbes, 5 Members of the Public and CEC Cllr. J Clowes

1 APOLOGIES:

Councillor T Lightfoot.

2 DECLARATION OF INTERESTS

No declarations were made at this time.

As the next item involved employee details the Chairman closed the meeting and the public were asked to leave for a short while.

3 HOURS AND SALARY OF THE PARISH CLERK

It was proposed by Cllr. Jackson and seconded by Cllr. Colbert that the hours be raised to 10 per week for a period of 3 months from 1st January to 31st March, the hourly rate to remain the same, subject to review in April 2014. The proposal was approved.

The Chairman then reconvened the meeting and the public were invited back in.

4 PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

Mr Heath raised the matter of a petition which had been issued regarding the development behind 20 Bridge St and was very annoyed at an alleged allegation of fraud. Having delivered this message Mr Heath left the meeting.

Mr Poole asked the Council to be cautious in setting the precept. He believed that the other bodies involved in setting the council tax in the coming year were aiming to keep any increase as low as possible.

5 MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 9th DECEMBER 2013

Cllr. Duthie proposed and Cllr. Colbert seconded an amendment to the minutes stating that item 4 should read as follows:

"In future Cllrs. would like to see the minutes before they were placed on the website. Any amendments were to be notified to the Clerk and taken for approval at the next meeting and a typed copy of the amended minutes would be put on the website."

Cllr. Colbert had earlier asked for an amendment to item 7.4 which had been accepted by the Clerk and inserted in the minutes.

Cllr. Howcroft asked for the last 2 sentences of item 6.1 be omitted and this was approved.

Cllr. Duthie asked for the words "and this was carried" to be added at the end of item 9.1 (20 Bridge St planning application) and this was approved.

RESOLVED: The minutes as amended be approved and signed.

6 MATTERS ARISING

There were no matters arising.

7 BUDGET AND PRECEPT

7.1 Budget The budget was approved as issued with the agenda subject to minor amendments. The revised budget is attached to these minutes.

7.2 Precept The precept was approved at £11013 which would result in a Band D charge of £18.67.

8 VILLAGE MATTERS

- **8.1 Pot Holes** Cllr. Ellison-Jones stated that serious pot holes were present in the driveway and playing fields car park. It was approved that Cheshire East be asked to deal with them.
- **8.2** Trees for millennium Cllr. Ellison-Jones said that the trees should be subject to Tree Preservation Orders. It was approved that Chris Hudson of Cheshire East's Arboreal Services be contacted to see what could be done.
- **8.3** Markings on Bridge St bridge The road markings have not been replaced after resurfacing works. A meeting is arranged with Mark Bone from Cheshire Highways. Cllr. Clowes stated that the best contact would be Naresh Navdine.
- **8.4 Dog Bin Main Rd** The Clerk had obtained a quote from Cheshire East of £200 per annum to empty the bin. This quote was accepted and the Clerk was asked to write to a parishioner who had objected earlier to the bin.

9 PARISH COUNCIL ISSUES

- **9.1 Sally Clarkes Lane update** The Clerk and Cllr. Jackson were to meet Mark Bone on Wednesday to discuss 2 outfall drains that discharged onto the land. Cllr. Clowes pointed out that there would be section 106 agreement obligations from the 20 Bridge St development which should be made to benefit this land as well. The river bank was also mentioned and Cllr. Jackson agreed to take further pictures to monitor any erosion over a period.
- **9.2 Grant Application to Police & Crime Commissioner** The Clerk reported that the Commissioner was holding a meeting to discuss applications and we should hear something in the next few days.
- **9.3** Access over car park for 49 Main Rd Cllrs. Howcroft and Colbert declared an interest. The matter was held over to the next meeting awaiting the result of John Driver's contact with the Village Hall Management Committee.
- **9.4** Access over car park for 57 Main Rd Held over to next meeting.
- **9.5** Village Hall Flat Roof Cllrs. Howcroft and Colbert declared an interest. It was resolved that the Clerk be asked to prepare a specification and obtain 3 quotes on a like basis for consideration.
- **9.6 Standard e-mail Addresses for Individual Councillors** It was resolved that the Clerk be asked to draw up standard e-mail addresses for the next meeting.
- **9.7 Notice Boards** Held over to the next meeting.

10 CHESHIRE EAST BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT

Councillor J Clowes reported on the following:-

The report was kept short due to the shortage of available time. The report covered several item including the new Crewe Lifestyle Centre.

11 PLANNING MATTERS

11.1 Applications received since last meeting:

13/4635N - Rear of 20 Bridge St

This application had been dealt with previously.

Cllr. Ellison-Jones queried how the list of comments had got on the website when we had resolved to object to the application. The Clerk explained that he had done it in error thinking it was a list of the Councils objections. It was resolved that the Clerk be asked to write to Mr Cooper and Mr & Mrs Clarke to explain what had happened.

13/5107N - Balcony 40 Main Rd

The Council resolved to register no objection.

13/5111N - Conservatory 112 Stock Lane

The Council resolved to register no objection.

13/5054N - Extensions 18 Gorsey Bank Crescent

The Council resolved to register no objection.

14/2026N - Carport & Lounge Nut Tree Farm

The Council resolved to register no objection.

14/0121N - Alteration & Extension 1 Church Way

Cllr. Arnott declared an interest. The Council resolved to register no objection.

11.2 Decisions since last meeting

The decisions can be viewed on the Parish Council website.

12 FINANCIAL MATTERS

12.2 Authorisation of Payments

RESOLVED: That the following payments be authorised:

£30.00	Petty Cash
£206.96	Clerk's – Salary – Jan
£100.00	Lengthperson – Litter Dec
£51.34	Clerk's – Expenses
£173.13	H M R C – Tax on salary

13 CORRESPONDENCE

Arthur Green had written about the obstructions caused by parking in Main Rd/Bridge St. It was decided that it was a matter for the police as a traffic hazard and the PCSO and P & CC should be contacted.

Other correspondence was held over due to the shortage of time.

14 ANY OTHER BUSINESS

Cllr. Ellison-Jones mentioned that the exchange had been upgraded and high speed broadband was now accessible.

DATE OF NEXT MEETING Monday 10th commencing at 7.30pm	February 2014 t	o be held at \	Wybunbury	Village	Hall
Chairman		Date			