

Helsby Parish Council

Minutes of the Parish Council meeting held at 7pm on 10th June 2019 in Helsby Methodist Church

Present:

Cllr. Stuart Hulse – Chairman	Cllr. Sam Johnson – Vice Chairman	Cllr. Terry O’Neill
Cllr. Michelle Massey	Cllr. Peter Duffy	Cllr. George Randles
Cllr. Polly Barry	Cllr. Mallie Poulton	Cllr. Chris Ellams
Cllr. Alan Gardner	Cllr. Sarah Temple	Cllr. John Kimpton
Cllr. Mags Porter		

In attendance:

Mr Chris Johnson – representing Helsby Community Sports Club (HCSC) Executive & Rugby Section
Mrs Jackie Kearsley – representing HCSC Running Section
Mr Kevin Holland – representing HCSC Angling Section
Mrs Michelle Pickstock – past Development Manager HCSC
Mr Francis Coe – representing the young people of Helsby
Mr Bill Foster – ex Parish Councillor supporting HCSC
Large amount of people attended the vast majority of which supported HCSC
Mr David Temple resident
Mrs Marj Thoburn – Helsby news
PCSO Niall Dudley + trainee – Cheshire Constabulary

Chairman’s announcements: The Chairman imparted the very sad news about the death of ex Parish Councillor Miss Sylvia Crossley-Jones. There then followed 1-minute silence in her memory. The Chairman welcomed Cllr. Mags Porter as the new member for Central Ward.

1. Public Air Time – proposed by Cllr. Hulse, and unanimously agreed that the meeting be rearranged so that that Public Air Time and Item 17.2 be discussed as Item 5 and 5.1 respectively. It was then agreed by all present, in view of the amount of people in attendance, that each of the sporting sections elect a representative to speak and to also give speaking time to other interested parties.
2. Apologies for absence were received from Cllrs Holder and MacPherson.
3. Declarations of interest. Cllr. Temple declared family interest in Item 23.2 as her husband had purchased a replacement tap for QD allotment gardens which she was reimbursed for. Following discussion and written advice from the Chief Officer of Cheshire Association of Local Councils, Cllrs O’Neill and Randles declared conflict of interest in new Item 5.1 as Executive Members of the Helsby Community Sports Club under Section 12 of the 2001 Model Code of Conduct ‘Outside Body Interests’ 12(b)(iv) enabling them to speak as if members of the public (new Item 5) i.e. they may address the council but may not take part in the debate or decision making.

4.1 PCSO Niall Dudley's report as follows: -

- Speeding – since the last meeting TruCam enforcement had been carried out four times in Helsby (usually more but PCSO undertook two weeks training course). Primrose Lane done twice with a total of 26 activations. Chester Road was also done twice with 28 activations. The TruCam, has also been deployed by other PCSOs (with Helsby Parish Council's permission) in Frodsham 43 activations, Cheshire Villages 17 and Kingsley and Gowy 34 activations. PCSO attempting to arrange a driver engagement day in Helsby which involve a team of Police Officers along with himself prosecuting drivers on the spot for speeding throughout the village. This would last a number of hours on a selected day;
- Speed Watch Group – two volunteers to start a group. Some training will be given so that they can get on the streets and do some speed gun work;
- Anti-social behaviour – reports remain low. Ring leader identified and dealt with appropriately;
- High School – Niall and Neil had been working closely with the High School over any issues with children also providing ID's for incidents outside the school. This working relationship also meant PCSOs had a good knowledge of the local children who may be the most likely to commit any crime:
- Healthy Helsby -Niall and a police support volunteer attended the recent event to promote some crime safety advice and give out some equipment to aid with this. It was a positive event and they were able to speak to a number of the community;
- Dog attacks – following a number of reported dog attacks from a dog living on Towers Lane, the owner had been identified and the dog and its owner had been placed on an acceptable behaviour contract. If it breaks this then the dog will be removed;
- Cyber Crime – There has been recent incidents of cyber-crime within the area including effecting a local business. Over 50% of crime within Cheshire last year was deemed as cyber-crime. Due to this Niall had been on recent training regarding this and if anyone or any local businesses need his advice, he will visit them;
- Social Media – For anyone that doesn't already know, they can follow a lot of Niall's activities on Facebook and Twitter. Niall's Facebook account is Helsby Police and Twitter account is @HelsbyPol;
- Police Surgeries: Helsby High School 15/06 11:00-12:00, 17/06 12:00-13:00, 27/06 12:00-13:00 and 02/07 14:30-15:30. Tesco 16/06 14:00-15:00, 28/06 10:00-11:00, Helsby Library 11/06 17:30-18:00.

4.2 TruCam. We are waiting confirmation, from senior management, that Cheshire Constabulary can replace Helsby's TruCam in the event of it being irreparable or lost.

5. Public Air Time. Proposed by Cllr. Johnson, seconded by Cllr. Ellams and **RESOLVED – that the meeting be suspended for public participation – HPC90/19**. All people that spoke were in favour of Helsby Parish Council giving £100,000 of the council's earmarked reserves to Helsby Community Sports Club. Cllr. George Randles read out his report in full (this can be obtained by contacting the Parish Clerk on (01928) 726433 or by emailing helsbyparishcouncil@btconnect.com. To begin with Cllr. Randles thanked Cllr. MacPherson for his comprehensive response to the Clerk's Value for Money and Risk Considerations document which had been circulated to all councillors. He asked for it to be read out but, lack of time prevented this therefore anyone can ask for a copy by contacting the Parish Clerk.

when he became the Parish Council's representative on the Executive Committee and the support of the volunteers in keeping it going even though the clubhouse was in poor shape. In September 2018 CWaC, Brookhouse, Trafford Housing Trust and HCSC signed up to a legally binding document granting the Club a 99-year lease on the new facility. CWaC approved the sub-letting of an office to the Parish Council. Last Tuesday, CWaC planning approved Reserved Matters for the 118 houses on the current HCSC site. The tenders were in for the new Club and would be presented to the Clubs Exec on Thursday. The £100,000 had now been collected by the Parish Council through precept. The Club 'Buy-a-brick' campaign had raised £40K. Cllr. Randles ended by stating that this was an extremely important matter that would affect both the current and future residents of Helsby for the next 100 years. He strongly urged the Parish Council to abide by its original decision (January 2008) of the £100K grant support. He asked for a named vote and how each member voted - *applause*.

Mr Chris Johnson – appreciated that the Parish Council had to justify expenditure but spending it on the new sports facility was money well spent. 15 years ago, the club realised that they had to get the sections and local community working together. The Club wanted to work closely with the Parish Council for the viability of the club's future. They still had the CWaC grant of £165k. The Clerk's Value for Money document was noted but the value of the Club was more than that. It came from the work the volunteers did. He was concerned that the Parish Council was reneging on its commitment. The Clerk responded by reading out the original resolution from the minutes of the meeting held in January 2008 that the Parish Council grant £100k to the HCSC for the re-building of the Clubhouse and that conditions be agreed prior to the money being handed over (PC10/08). Chris went on to add that the Club did not have the capital resources but they were trying to do more for young people and coaching. The Club had a strong track record of surviving - *applause*.

Mrs Jackie Kearsley – the Parish Clerk confirmed that all emails from the members of all of the sections, had been circulated to Parish Councillors. Jackie read out a paragraph from John Gallon's email as follows: *The sports club provides a unique service to the wider community and once lost it would be gone forever. It provides, through the Four Villages Half Marathon, much needed funds to local communities including schools, scout and brownie groups. It also provides many sports activities and is a venue for local social activities such as weddings, birthdays, keep fit, yoga and other important family events. I don't need to emphasise in this day and age the importance attached to people getting and staying healthy - it's a no brainer. To have a local club devoted to encouraging and supporting anyone and everyone who turns up at the door to start their exercise journey is priceless. It's taken years and it could never be recreated. As a member of this club for 36 years - still heavily involved - I can personally guarantee the enthusiasm, indeed the passion of the members to promote a healthier way of life – applause.*

Mr Kevin Holland – anglers came in from far and wide to support the area. The anglers gave up the ponds for the redevelopment. The enabling development would meet the Phase 1 & 2 costs. The £100k money could be used to create a lake with 36 fully accessible pegs, provide training to children and other valuable community services – *applause*.

Mrs Michelle Pickstock – expressed deep concern as to why the Parish Council assumed that the club was not viable. The Clerk asked for a viability statement and 3 years fully audited accounts – the Chairman ruled that this wasn't necessary.

Mr Bill Foster – reminding the Parish Council that Helsby needs a new facility and it made promises and pledges to the community for future recreational use that would benefit all ages and all abilities and would be a good place for a parish office – *applause*.

Mr Francis Coe – a lot of people worked with young disabled and mentally ill people and 50% of unders-14's were reported as having mental health problems. Sports had been proven to help mental as well as physical health. The Club had been encouraging and assisting young and old since its inception. He had been a member since he was 6 years old and remembered Cllr. John Kimpton's commitment to working with young people. Without the £100k this would not continue. He asked the Parish Council to take this into consideration – *applause*

Cllr. Terry O'Neill – he was very disappointed with the Clerk's recommendation (at this point the Clerk corrected him saying that VFM and RC documents were not a recommendation to withhold the payment of £100k) he then went on to ask the Clerk if she'd had help with the document. The clerk confirmed that she had received help with the figures. Cllr. O'Neill accused the Clerk of taking advice from a person who was prejudiced against the Club. The Clerk had no evidence that the advisor had any negative or prejudicial interest in the club. Cllr. O'Neill confirmed that out of the 6 consultation meetings held in 2008 with residents, 96% agreed to £100K funded by precept which equated to £8,000 per year. There was no stipulation to the £100k. He confirmed that, if the council did not hand over the £100k, he would be requesting Council Tax refund to the tune of £50. The Parish Office in the new development would be manned every day so that the Clerk would not be alone in the building but a policy would be put in place to ensure the employee felt safe and the building would be secure. The new office would be larger and better value for money than the existing. There would be ample parking and easy access to the new housing developments. Cllr. O'Neill had produced a Business Plan for the Parish Council to consider and in it, his calculations for the new office showed that it would be cheaper in the long term – *applause*. Cllr. Mallie Poulton supported all of the aforementioned.

Proposed by Cllr. Duffy, seconded by Cllr. Ellams and **RESOLVED – that, there being no further matters reported, Public Air Time be closed and the meeting reconvened – HPC91/19.**

5.1 Discussion to consider paying £100,000 to fund the lease of a Parish Office within the new sports development. The Parish Council and members of the public had viewed Helsby Community Sports Club and a New Parish Council Office: Value for Money and Risk Considerations'. Much discussion ensued.

Cllr. Temple opened discussion by asking Cllr. Randles to clarify if Phase 1 & 2 was being paid for out of the enabling development. Cllr. Randles was given permission to respond and stated it would not fund the new Club. He could not give a definite answer to the specific question of funding for Phase 1 & 2 of the club at this stage. However, the Club would be able to confirm this after their meeting on Thursday with Trafford Housing Trust (who were the developers delivering the new sporting facilities and 118 dwellings).

Cllr. Poulton expressed amazement that the council was re-considering fully supporting HCSC and that the £100k belonged to the club. Proposed by Cllr. Poulton, seconded by Cllr. Gardner and **RESOLVED – that there be a named vote and how members voted – HPC92/19.**

Cllr. Temple continued by noting that the Clerk's report had explored financial risks of handing over £100k to the Club with no clear idea of what the money would be used for and that the Council would not use tax-payers money in that way for any other purchase. By linking the payment to provision of a Parish Office on a suitable lease arrangement, those risks could be mitigated. Cllr. Temple suggested that an acceptable lease agreement, for say 99 year, could be arranged with CWaC or HCSC but that measures must be in place to ensure the agreement would be honoured even if the management or ownership of the club changed in future and costs, if any, for utilities and rates should be clarified. Cllr. Massey commented that we all wanted good sports facilities in Helsby but that it was important for the money to be spent within the council's financial framework so that safeguards could be put in place prior to the money being handed over. Cllr. Porter agreed with the safeguards but it was also really important to have a sporting facility for the young people. Cllr. Duffy had no problems with giving the money but, at the moment, the Parish Council had nothing on paper to confirm anything. Cllr. Kimpton said that the money belonged to the club.

Proposed by Cllr. Temple, seconded by Cllr. Duffy and **RESOLVED – that the Parish Council agree, in principle, to hand over the £100k in return for a long-term lease for a Parish Council Office with either Cheshire West and Chester Council or Helsby Community Sports Club and only to commit to funding £100k when an acceptable lease agreement is in place – HPC93/19.** Members voting in favour of Cllr. Temple's proposal were Cllrs. Hulse, Johnson, Gardner, Kimpton, Barry, Temple, Ellams, Massey, Porter, Duffy and Poulton. Against – none. Abstentions – none. *Expenditure would be in accordance with s.111(1) of the Local Government Act 1972.*

6. Minutes of the previous meeting. Proposed by Cllr. O'Neill, seconded by Cllr. Duffy and **RESOLVED – that the minutes of the AGM of Helsby Parish Council be accepted as an accurate record and duly signed by the Chairman – HPC94/19.**
7. Matters arising from the previous meeting – no matters reported.
8. Minutes of the Health & Safety Committee meeting held on 28th May 2019. Cllr. Gardner presented the minutes that included the following recommendation: -
 - 8.1 Health & Policy. Proposed by Cllr. Gardner, seconded by Cllr. Duffy and **RESOLVED – to amend the Health & Safety Policy by removing the word 'course' from the text Item 2, Page 4 and that all other wording remains the same as suitable for the purpose of Helsby Parish Council – HPC95/19.** The Chairman signed and dated the document.
9. Minutes of the Environment Committee meeting held on 28th May 2019. Cllr. O'Neill presented the minutes that included the following recommendations: -
 - 9.1 Planters. Proposed by Cllr. O'Neill, seconded by Cllr. Poulton and **RESOLVED – that the Parish Council, in accordance with expenditure under s.144 of the 1972 Local Government Act, donate a bag of compost (supplied by Village Produce Association)**

to each sponsor of the large green planters – HPC96/19.

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- 9.2 Daffodil bulbs. Proposed by Cllr. O'Neill, seconded by Cllr. Poulton and **RESOLVED – that the Parish Council, in accordance with s.144 of LGA1972, purchase sufficient daffodil bulbs in time to be planted in the autumn to plug the gaps in the existing display between 304 Chester Road to Ideal Gardens and between Horse & Jockey development to Plovers Lane – HPC97/19.**
- 9.3 Helsby News. Proposed by Cllr. O'Neill, seconded by Cllr. Poulton and **RESOLVED – to place an article in Helsby News asking for all interested parties to contact the Parish Council if they wish to be part of Cheshire and VE Day 75 – 8th May 2020 celebration – HPC98/19.**
- 9.4 Conservation Area. Proposed by Cllr. O'Neill, seconded by Cllr. Poulton and **RESOLVED – that the Parish Council, in accordance with expenditure under s.141 of LGA1972, use the unspent Election Expenses budget, totalling £3,556, to go towards meeting the professional fees and all other associated expenditure relating to designating a Conservation Area in Helsby – HPC99/19.**
- 9.5 Facebook. Councillors discussed the merits of a Facebook page specifically to advertise Parish Council events and to impart useful information. Cllr. Ellams expressed deep concern about the Helsby Facebook Page thread relating to the Value for Money and Risk Considerations in giving £100K to HCSC. It degenerated into a slanging match between two people using bad language. Cllr. Ellams felt, very strongly, that the two people should have been blocked by the people who manage Helsby Facebook. Cllr. Ellams went on to add that if the Parish Council was going to use Facebook as a means to place minutes then he would be wasting his time keeping the Helsby Website going. The Clerk felt that she was unable to set up a Facebook page but would be willing to impart information. Cllr. Temple asked for more detail about protocol and proposals. Proposed by Cllr. Hulse, seconded by Cllr. Duffy and **RESOLVED – that a sub-group be formed made up of Cllrs. Massey, O'Neill and Poulton, on how a Facebook page would be managed, by whom and who would input information onto it – HPC100/19.**
- 9.6 Best-Kept. Proposed by Cllr. O'Neill, seconded by Cllr. Poulton and **RESOLVED – to organise the Helsby Village 'Best-Kept' awards for 2019 including the following categories gardens South, Central and North, allotments, planter and commercial premises – HPC101/19.**

10. Burial grants – no applications received.

11. Councillor's Surgery held on 1st June 2019. Cllrs. Temple, Massey and Poulton attended when the following matters were discussed: -

- Towers Lane Traveller site – no new information received or imparted;
- Old Chester Road closure – resident informed that CWaC Cllr. Paul Bowers was looking into this. The road had now been closed 18 months;
- Parking in Lower Robin Hood Lane – concerns passed to PCSO;
- Parking charges Station Avenue Car Park – Cllr. Paul Bowers looking into this matter;

11.1 Specific request for chevrons to be painted on either side of the new disabled parking bay to ease manoeuvrability and improve access especially for wheelchair users. It was understood that the parking space was regulation size and that Chevrons weren't legal. Clerk to inform resident.

12. Cheshire West and Chester Council

12.1 Cllr. Paul Bowers report, as follows, was duly noted: -

- Attended first full Council, main motion was CWaC unanimously declaring a Climate Emergency. Cllr. Bowers seconded the motion and spoke;
- Attended the Planning Committee. The main application was the new Fire Station for Cheshire which was passed. There were no applications for Helsby;
- He was pleased to report that he has been appointed to the Scrutiny Places Committee and attended his first meeting;
- Travelled on the official opening of the Halton Curve and attended reception;
- Attended the Investiture and Chester Cathedral service for the Lord Mayor of Chester;
- Reported and actioned potholes at Crescent Drive, Bates Lane, Old Chester Road, Portland Place and Lower Rake Lane;
- Made 5 house calls with associated case work;
- Had a great time at Tennis Club Open Day, Choo Choo Helsby and the Garage Trail Sale which were all really well attended and organised community events;
- Attended Waste2Tricity public consultation about plans to open a plant at Protos to process plastic waste into hydrogen. Cllr. Bower's was now making more enquiries and will report back his findings to the Parish Council.

12.2 TRO 2413 Temporary Prohibition of Traffic. Old Chester Road (short section from junction Chester Road) for 19 days from 24th June 2019 – duly noted.

13. The Marshes Community Benefit Fund. Cllr. Ellams reported that the next round of funding opens 1st June to 31st August. Cllr. Ellams and Poulton both concurred that there was very little transparency. Cllr. Poulton would welcome a change of panel members.

14. Frodsham Wind Farm – Cllr. Ellams was awaiting date of the next meeting.

15. Helsby Community Association

15.1 Accessibility Toilet. Proposed by Cllr. Johnson, seconded by Cllr. Poulton and **RESOLVED – that the Parish Council, in accordance with s.19 of Local Government (Miscellaneous Provisions) Act 1976, approve the invoice payment of £3,544.48 to CoWest (CWaC contractor) for payment of upgrading the Accessibility Toilet in Helsby Community Centre – HPC102/19.**

15.2 Pub Signs. Suggestion by Cllr. Ellams to place the two reclaimed pub signs on the brick-built bus shelters (owned by the Parish Council) so that they can be viewed and appreciated by everyone. Cllr. Temple also added that the Parish Council was hoping to get the Helsby Ex-Serviceman's sign from the Eccies site. Proposed by Cllr. Ellams, seconded by Cllr. Temple and **RESOLVED – that the Parish Council, in accordance with s.144 of the LGA 1972, 1. employ Northwich Town Council, to place the two reclaimed pub signs onto the two brick-built bus shelters; 2) to purchase two small information plaques, with appropriate wording, along with the signs – HPC103/19.** The Council would ask local historian Mrs Sue Lorimer for some words for the plaques.

15.3 Helsby Community Association had agreed to extend the current arrangements with Helsby Parish Council to 1st May 2043. The Chairman signed and dated the agreement which would be sent to HCA for signing.

15.4 Leaky Roof. Cllr. Massey reported the main hall roof leaked in a number of places – Clerk to report to Mr A Lozinski (CWaC Property Manager).

16. Cycle North Cheshire – next meeting was 12th June. The Group had already met with CWaC Cllr. Paul Bowers who they hoped would attend their meeting.
17. Protos – Cllr. Temple's report as follows: -
- 17.1 The AGM of the Protos Community Forum will take place at 7pm on Wednesday 19th June at Elton Community Centre School Lane Elton, followed by the Community Forum meeting. The AGM is the only meeting that the public are allowed to attend. There will be a meeting of the Protos Community Benefit Fund on 12th June – duly noted.
- 17.2 Work has been ongoing to prepare a planning application for a waste plastic to electricity and hydrogen facility on Plot 10b at Protos. A letter had been circulated via Royal Mail to the postcodes as agreed with the forum, advising the public consultation events on 4th & 5th June. Cllr. Bowers was informed and also attended one of the meetings – duly noted.
18. Miscellaneous Matters
- 18.1 BT Phone and Broadband. Cllr. Ellams reported that the Parish Council computer was the target of a very sophisticated scam which also affected local businesses RSK and Land of Beds. He spent all day trying to rectify the matter with BT the service provider. It was then that BT offered new packages one of which would future-proof the Parish Council in the event of an office move and be cheaper in the long-run. Members had already received information about the various options and so it was proposed by Cllr. O'Neill, seconded by Cllr. Kimpton and **RESOLVED – that the Parish Council, in accordance with s.111 of LGA1972, purchase Cloud Phone Solution £50.99 per month plus initial investment for a compatible handset at £81 from BT – HPC104/19.**
- 18.2 Draft Business Plan 2019-20 which had been circulated to members and their comments had been included. There was some concern about Appendix 1 – following up task and finish but it was agreed to keep it in. Cllr. O'Neill agreed to spearhead 'Task & Finish' groups. Proposed by Cllr. O'Neill, seconded by Cllr. Kimpton and **RESOLVED – that the Parish Council adopt the Business Plan 2019-20 in its entirety and that it goes forward to publication – HPC105/19.**
- 18.3 Hillside Primary School. Seeking permission to place promotional posters around the village advertising 'Zero Plastic' campaign. Proposed by Cllr. O'Neill, seconded by Cllr. Kimpton and **RESOLVED – to grant permission to Helsby Hillside Primary School to place posters around the village (subject to CWaC approval) – HPC106/19.**
19. Transport Matters. The following report, from Cllr. Ellams was duly noted (briefly as follows):
- 44 years after the last fare paying train ran over the Halton Curve and the service was withdrawn came to an end on Sunday 19th May, when the 08:40 Transport for Wales service saw the culmination of continued campaigning from the North Cheshire Rail Users Group, with the re-introduction of direct rail links in to Liverpool Lime Street. Since the opening, residents of Sandringham Ave have noticed the parking has become very bad;
 - The service will run every hour and will stop at Helsby, Frodsham, Runcorn Main Line, Liverpool South Parkway (for connections to the Airport) and Liverpool Lime Street;
 - Northern Trains also started the Chester to Leeds service on the same day, again on an hourly service. Sadly, this is a limited stop service so Helsby & Frodsham are not a stop for

all services;

- Liverpool Airport continues to come out well in recent passenger surveys. The Airport is now ranked 2nd for best on-time departures. Complaints are down and positive comments up;

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- Easy Jet moved 550,000 passengers, Ryanair 430,000 and Flybe 38,000. Private planes and helicopters business have increased 13%. The airport coped well with carrying a mass exodus of Liverpool fans to the final in Madrid resulting in an extra 53 departures;
- Lauda Air (formed by the late F1 driver Niki Lauda) are to start twice weekly flights to Vienna starting 28th October this year;

20. Helsby Neighbourhood Plan Review – Cllr. O'Neill advised the group to include proposal to designate a conservation area within the review – duly noted.

21. Cheshire Association of Local Councils – Cllr. Hulse reported that the next Executive meeting would be held on 4th July – duly noted.

22. Planning

22.1 The council's responses to the following new planning applications was duly noted: -

Application No.	Application Address	Proposed Development	Ward member recommends
19/04391/REM	Land at Helsby Sports and Social Club Chester Road	Erection of 118 dwellings (Outline Application 14/04044/OUT)	No objections
19/01543/FUL	Land rear of Osterley Robin Hood Lane	Detached dormer bungalow	Objections – contrary to Policy H6 of NP (backland development)
19/01584/S73	4 Old Chester Road	Variation of Condition 2 (approved plans) on planning permission 17/02972/FUL	No objections
19/01411/FUL	76 Old Chester Road	Single storey extn with pitch roof & incorporate annex into main house	No objections
19/01602/FUL	5 Hunters Court	Single storey extension to rear	No objections

22.2 The following decisions, received from the planning authority, were duly noted: -

18/04463/REM Land at Clifton Vicarage Lane (approval of Reserve Matters) Approved
 19/01188/S73 Land adjacent The Spinney Alvanley Rd (Variation of condition 2) Approved
 18/04391/REM Erection of 118 dwellings (Community Sports Club land) Approved

22.3 The following appeal has been sent to Planning Inspectorate

Land Adjoining Three Stumps, Old Chester Road Helsby

Erection of one dwelling, CWaC Ref. 18/00103/FUL CWaC Appeal Ref. 19/00066/REF

Planning Inspectorate Ref. APP/A0665/W/19/3228895 comments by 2nd July 2019

Cllr. Temple reported that CWaC had turned down the planning application on 3 distinct grounds. There was no cost involved to the Appellant to appeal. Proposed by Cllr. Temple,

seconded by Cllr. Barry and **RESOLVED** – that the Parish Council write to Planning Inspectorate to confirm that Helsby Parish Council reiterated its objection to planning proposal and would stick by the original comments – HPC 106/19.

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23. Accounts

23.1 Bank Reconciliation. Cllr. Ellams confirmed that he had inspected the NatWest figures against his mobile app and that they were correct. The Chairman checked the statements from Monmouthshire and Co-Op and initialled them as correct. Proposed by Cllr. Johnson, seconded by Cllr. O'Neill and **RESOLVED** – that the Bank Reconciliation Sheet detailing £279,053.36 held in balances as at 10th June 2019 be accepted as accurate and duly initialled by the Chairman – HPC107/19.

23.2 Payments. Proposed by Cllr. Ellams, seconded by Cllr. Duffy and **RESOLVED** – that the following payments totalling £8,758.94, paid by either Standing Order, Direct Debit or under delegated authority, be approved and duly noted HPC108/19: -

Method	To whom paid	Particulars of payment	Amount
DD	Scottish Power	Electricity – Helsby Community Centre	£97.00
DD	Water Plus	Wastewater – same	£30.53
Bacs	BJIB Insurance Brokers	Insurance premium – Parish Council	£1,777.16
Bacs	ICCM	Corporate membership fees 2019/20	£95.00
Bacs	Ches Assoc of Local Councils	Affiliation Fee 2019-20 + LCR subscription	£1,466.00
Bacs	Mr S Jones	Petrol for mowers	£8.30
Bacs	Northwich Town Council	Grass cutting April 2019	£764.40
Bacs	Helsby Methodist Church	Hall Hire 2.5 hrs 13 th May 2019	£21.25
Bacs	Mr S Hulse	Chairman's allowance expenses of office	£175.00
DD	NEST	Employee/employer pension contr May19	£548.08
Bacs	TWM Traffic Control System	Retrofit of Interactive Speed Sign	£1,320.00
Bacs	BT Business	Broadband	£55.54
Bacs	Mrs S Temple	Tap for Queens Drive allotments gardens	£7.99
Bacs	Employees 3xPart-time	May 2019 salaries	£1,574.06
Bacs	HM Revenue & Customs	PAYE & NI on above salaries	£498.63
SO	Arndale Transport	Office rent for June 2019	£320.00

24. Date of the next meetings: -

1st July 7pm Finance Committee in the Committee Room

8th July 7pm Parish Council in Helsby Methodist Church

The meeting closed at 9.03pm

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