# MINUTES OF THE PARISH COUNCIL MEETING

Held in Whitley Village Hall, Village Lane on Tuesday 17 June 2025 at 7.00pm

Councillors: \* Cllr M Thompson (Chairman)

\* Cllr P Barber Cllr M Bratherton

k Cllr R Brock

\* Cllr J Cooper (Vice Chairman)

\* Cllr M Crook Cllr G Warburton

\* denotes attendance

Also in Attendance: T Noble (Clerk)

## **26**/019. **Apologies**

Apologies were received and accepted from Cllr M Bratherton and Cllr G Warburton.

#### 26/020. **Declarations of Interest**

Members were reminded of their responsibility to declare any personal interest or prejudicial interest that they may have in any item of business on the agenda no later than when the item is reached.

Cllr R Brock declared an interest in agenda item 9.2. Greenhills.

# 26/021. Minutes of the Pervious Meeting

The minutes of the Parish Council Annual Meeting held on Tuesday 20 May 2025 were confirmed as a true record and signed by the Chairman.

#### 26/022. **Public Forum**

26/022.1 No members of the public present.

## 26/022.2 **Police Report**

A crime report had previously been circulated to the committee.

## 26/023. Cheshire West and Chester Borough Councillors Reports

Apologies had been received from Borough Cllrs P Marshall, L Gibbon and N Wright.

A detailed report had been circulated prior to the meeting.

## 26/024. **Planning (0)**

Appeals (0)

**Notice of Decisions (0)** 

**Appeal Decisions (0)** 

#### **26/025. Finance**

**Resolved** that payments listed in Appendix 1 were approved.

- 26/025.1 The Clerk informed the Parish Council that the Audit 2024-2025 Report had been received, and internal controls are in place.
- Cllr M Thompson suggested that Tommy Statues for the village, be applied for from the Members Budget.
  Resolved the Clerk to start the process in applying.

### 26/026. Parish Council's Website and Email Addresses

To comply with the upcoming email and website compliance, the Clerk presented a quote obtained from 'thenMedia' for a domain name (.gov.uk), new website with hosting and support and eight email addresses (.gov.uk). **Resolved** to inform 'thenMedia' to start the process for a website and email addresses.

# 26/027. Village Projects and Matters

#### **26/027.1 WNR Update**

Cllr J Cooper reiterated that dog fouling is still a very big problem. **Resolved** the Clerk to research and order signs for 'Deep Water', 'No Dog Fouling' and 'No Parking, access needed' and to research dog bins.

The notice board is surrounded by overgrown branches. **Resolved** Cllr M Crook has offered to trim the branches.

Cllr J Cooper suggested that the VE budget be spent on the Queens Orchard for fruit trees and an estimate be sought for levelling the trees in Autumn and the grass to be cut once a month.

**Resolved** that WMT Village Maintenance be contacted to provide the quote.

# 26/027.2 Greenhills Update

Cllr R Brock reported that by July's meeting hopefully progress should have been made regarding Greenhills with CWaC.

**Noted** that Cllr R Brock report back to the Parish Council.

**Noted** that a contribution will be made towards the essential works from the Flood Management Funds.

## 26/027.3 Village Maintenance Estimate for Millennium Garden

The village maintenance team have quoted for two hedge cuttings and fourteen grass cuttings for the Millennium Garden at a cost of £240.00. **Resolved** that the quote be altered to seven cuts and accepted.

# 26/028. **Councillor's Reports** Cllr M Thompson informed the committee that, with Cllr J Cooper, they will be attending the 'Urgent Consultation on Housing Allocations' on the 08 July 2025 to represent Whitley PC. The Clerk continue to converse with Highways regarding the Town Green street sign. 26/029. **Future Agenda Items** Greenhills Update. Risk Assessment Review (September). 26/030. **Matters for Discussion in Closed Session Noted** no matters for discussion. 26/031. **Time and Date of Next Meeting** The Parish Council meeting was confirmed as Tuesday 15 July 2025 at 7.00pm in Whitley Village Hall. Meeting closed at 8.15pm. Signed as a true record: Cllr M Thompson Chairman

**Dated: 15 July 2025** 

# Appendix 1 – Payments June 2025

Zurich Insurance Annual Renewal 2025

Bank Trans £363.00

WMT Maintenance Village Maintenance

Bank Trans £330.00