

**Minutes of The Meeting of Antrobus Parish Council  
on Monday 18 Nov 2024 at 7:15pm at St Marks Church**

**Present**

Mr S Batey (Chair)      Mrs H Metcalfe (from item 5.1)      Mr A Dunkley  
Mrs C Bunn              Mr C Wright                      Mr M Walsh  
Mrs L Patelaros        Cllr P Marshall (Ward)      Mr S Palmer (Clerk)

**The meeting started at 7:18pm**

**Open forum.** The chair of Comberbach suggested a reply to Highways about Gibb Hill.

1. **Apologies for unavoidable absence** were received from Mr J Bloor, Mr P Harrison.
2. **Members' Declarations of Interest** - none
3. **Minutes of the meeting** on 21 Oct 2024 - **(24/60) RESOLVED** to accept the minutes as a correct record of the meeting.
4. **Matters Arising**
  - =Frandleley bus stops - no reply
  - =Old Orchard road surface - await photos
  - =Damaged Traffic bollards - replacements in hand.
5. **Ward Councillors** - Devolution for a group of boroughs incl. CWAC is being planned. Stage 4 includes health services. News about National planning policy (greybelt) is expected in Jan. Highways are £130M behind. It needs to spend £19M/yr but only actually spends £4.5M. Funds from Network North are confirmed.
6. **Planning**
  - 6.1. **(24/61) RESOLVED** to make Planning comments (appendix 3).
  - 6.2. Enforcement – one development to be passed to enforcement.
  - 6.3. **(24/62) RESOLVED** to ratify the reply to the Trustees of the Village Hall CIO on their planning queries
  - 6.4. Village Shop & tearoom development - Cllr Lynn Gibbon has called-in the application to CWAC Planning Committee. 4 people can speak. A key argument is Antrobus is an example of a thriving community as CWAC desires on their plan. J Bloor kindly agreed to represent the PC. (2nd Tues in Dec or Jan). The PC's case in support is to be prepared.
7. **Highways** –
  - 7.1. Gibb Hill road resurfacing - The clerk has responded to the Head of Highways letter. No further response required.
  - 7.2. Gibb Hill - drainage issues (reported by Comberbach PC). Blocked gullies and icing hazards will be reported. CWAC will be asked when they check the contractors work quality prior to the end of the guarantee period.

- 7.3. Knutsford Rd - Mud on verge after UU work - removed by UU.  
 7.4. New Highways concerns - none.
- 8. Open Forum** - no issues.
- 9. Playground & Defibrillator**  
 9.1. Weekly Inspections – no issues.  
 9.2. Defibrillator - battery to be installed. New pads for end Dec.
- 10. Grants** - Village news - **(24/63) RESOLVED** to donate £500. Leaking school roof - school may request members budget and PC grant.
- 11. Community Emergency Plan** - contact names updated. Review to be annually in June.
- 12. Accounts, Finance & Legal**  
 12.1. The accounts in Appendix 1 were noted.  
 12.2. Payments list Appendix 2 - **(24/64) RESOLVED** to approve.  
 12.3. Pay rate for the clerk as per the national pay agreement, with backdating to April - **(24/65) RESOLVED** to approve.  
 12.4. Updating the standing order for the clerks pay - **(24/66) RESOLVED** to approve.  
 12.5. Viring the budget for current year (24/25) - **(24/67) RESOLVED** to approve.  
 12.6. **(24/68) RESOLVED** to approve the 25/26 budget of £13.310 and precept of £12,710 (a 2.5% increase).
- 13. Representatives & Working Groups** - To receive reports: Representative for Village Hall Management Committee to be decided for the 25/26 year.
- 14. Notable Correspondence.**  
 CCA AGM. Connections event: design codes for Cheshire. Canal & River Trust (Anderton Boat Lift): Engineering The Future. Update from Esther McVey MP. Defra Hedgerow consultation.
- 15. Future meetings & Clerk recruitment**  
 A working party of S Batey, H Metcalfe & J Bloor will interview candidate in Dec. **(24/69) RESOLVED** to appoint S Batey as the proper officer, with the authority to appoint a candidate, if the working party's view on the candidates suitability is unanimous.  
 The December meeting is cancelled. **(24/58) RESOLVED** to approve the 2025 calendar, with April's date moved to the 28<sup>th</sup> due to Easter.

**The Meeting ended at 9:05pm**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be **held on Monday 20 Jan 2025 at 7.15 pm** at Antrobus St Marks Church, starting with an Open Forum.

Appendix 1 Accounts for previous month

Current a/c 5 Nov:	£ 9,192.27	Reserve a/cs	23,517 & 1,920
Cashbook:	£ 9,192.27	Income:	Interest 61 & 2

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### Appendix 2 Payments

Pre-authorized: Defib Store Ltd – Cardiac Science Powerheart G3 Defibrillator battery	£ 342.00	LGA 1972 s 111
Clerk – expenses incl. MS365 and backpay	£ 187.48	LGA 1972 s 111
St Marks Church - donation for hall use (3 mths) summer 40, winter 60.	£ 160	LGA 1972 s 111
HMRC – Quarterly tax (Oct-Dec) due mid Jan and backdating Apr-Sep	£ 706 estimate	LGA 1972 s 111
Defib Store Ltd – Cardiac Science defib pads	£ 64.80	LGA 1972 s 111
Antrobus Village News - grant	£ 500	LGA 1972 s 142
SLCC annual subscription (transferrable)	£ 150	LGA 1972 s 111

### Appendix 3 Planning applications.

[PC Parish Council; PWG Planning Working Group, CW&C Cheshire West]

#### **FOR PC CONSULTEE comment, or noting:**

24/02904/FUL Land Off Sandiway Lane - Side extension to existing agricultural barn - PC 11/24: No objection provided % enlargement and FUL designation is within guidelines.

24/03002/DIS Application to discharge condition 3 (external materials) of planning consent ref: 24/00284/LBC

#### **CWAC DECISIONS MADE (SINCE LAST MEETING):**

24/02630/S73 Ardtornish Barbers Lane CW9 6JP - Demolition of existing bungalow/ garage and erection of replacement dwelling - variation of condition 2 (approved plans) of application 22/01947/FUL

24/01744/LDC Sevenoaks Farm Northwich Road CW9 6JB - Erection of a garage. PC 15/7: no objection; CWAC Oct - withdrawn.

24/01161/FUL & LBC Crowley Green Cottage Caldwell's Gate Lane CW9 6NX - Reinstatement of Grade II Listed property to include internal and external works following fire damage. 17/6 PC: No objection; CWAC Oct: Approved

#### **AWAIT CWAC DECISION: xx**