



Minutes of The Meeting of Antrobus Parish Council on Monday 17 Feb 2025 at 7:15pm at St Marks Church

Present

Mr S Batey (Chair) Mrs H Metcalfe (Vice chair) Mr M Walsh
Mr A Dunkley Mr C Wright. Mr S Palmer (Clerk)
Miss L Merry (Clerk) Cllr L Gibbon (Ward)

The outgoing clerk Simon Palmer was thanked for his 12 years of service, with 6 different chairs. This will be his last meeting attendance though he will assist for PAYE and support for the end of year accounts.

The meeting started at 7:15pm

Open forum. None

- 1. Apologies for unavoidable absence** were received from Mrs L Patelaros, Mrs C Bunn, Mr J Bloor, and Mr P Harrison, Cllr P Marshall (Ward), and N Wright (Ward)
- 2. Members' Declarations of Interest** - none
- 3. Minutes of the meeting** on 20 Jan 2025 - **(25/10) RESOLVED** to accept the minutes as a correct record of the meeting.
- 4. Matters Arising**
 - 4.1 Village shop & tearoom - Consultation ended 11th Feb. Application is under ecological review.
 - 4.2 Traffic Bollards - Additional bollards placed on the corner of School Lane to prevent dangerous parking.
 - 4.3 Frandley bus stop - Council to request new stops on the A559
 - 4.4 CWAC drainage survey - Cllr L Gibbon will request CWAC for the feedback from the 2021 survey.
- 5. Ward Councillors** - Devolution for Cheshire East, Cheshire West and Chester, and Warrington is underway for 2026. Awareness sessions around the Borough will be arranged. New scheme to help deal with antisocial behaviour across Cheshire is being set up by The Police and Crime Commissioner. Parish Councils will have an opportunity to pay for PCSO time to patrol their parish. Members budget has funded a large TV for the Village Hall.
- 6. Planning**
 - 6.1. Planning applications - none



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6.2. Enforcement – none.

7. Highways –

- 6.1 Gibb Hill drainage obstruction - The leak seems to have been resolved recently - monitor.
- 6.2 Reed Lane closure - A quality assessment will be requested on the repair work undertaken.
- 6.3 Goosebrook Lane – Partial Collapse of bridge structure over the brook - reported.
- 6.4 The following have been reported - pot holes on Old Lane and Knutsford Lane, Chevron arrows on the A559 S bend

8. Open Forum - no issues.

9. Playground & Defibrillator – no issues

10. Grants - The Members Budget application was not successful. Ward Cllr L Gibbon encourages the Council to apply again for new projects from April 2025.

11. Community Emergency Plan - contact names updated and published on the website.

12. Village News - A request has been made for a representative to help guide the publication. The Council offered to give guidance on updating current policies or to implement a new policy on submissions.

13. Village clean up - Date set for **The Big Village Clean Up Week** commencing 31st March and ending on the 6th April. If you would like to do a certain area that week - please let us know so we can make sure all areas are covered! All help welcome and appreciated! Every plastic bottle counts!

14. Accounts, Finance & Legal

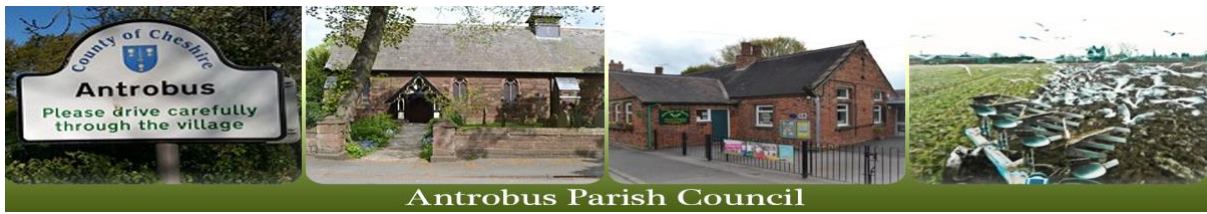
- 14.1. The accounts in Appendix 1 were noted.
- 14.2. Payments list Appendix 2 - **(25/11) RESOLVED** to approve.
- 14.3. Authorise new phone handset for Clerk up to £20 with monthly calls and texts contract up to £4 **(25/12) RESOLVED** to approve.
- 14.4. Outsourcing of payroll to The Buxton Partnership at £10 + VAT per month - **(25/13) RESOLVED** to approve.

15. Representatives & Working Groups - Recent fundraising event by Village hall raised around £5k

16. Notable Correspondence None

The Meeting ended at 8:50pm

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be **held on Monday 17th March 2025 at 7.15 pm** at Antrobus St Marks Church, starting with an Open Forum.



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Appendix 1 Accounts for previous month

Current a/c 5 Feb:	£ 5431.86	Reserve a/cs	23,691.77 & 1,929.59
Cashbook:	£ 5431.86	Income:	Interest 58.33 & 2.17

Appendix 2 Payments

Pre-authorised: Additional donation to School due to increase in invoice for tree works	£ 64.80	LGA 1972 s 137
Andrew lawless Gardening Services - 02.09.24 - 02.12.24	£ 133.00	LGA 1972 s14 para 27 PHAAA 1890, s 44 OSA 1906, ss 9 and 10
Outgoing Clerks expenses	£ 18.34	LGA 1972 s 151
New Clerks' expenses including netpay	£ 402.73	LGA 1972 s 151
Clerk expenses for Traffic bollards	£ 44.99	LGA 1972 s 111

Appendix 3 Planning applications.

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

CWAC DECISIONS MADE (SINCE LAST MEETING):

[24/01660/FUL](#) - Crowley Grange Caldwells Gate Lane, CW9 6NX - Erection of solar PV array - **CWAC Approved with conditions 27 Jan 25**

[24/03740/HHE](#) (HHE = GPD Larger house extension) Fields Farm Northwich Road CW9 6JB - Single Storey Rear Extension - **CWAC Approved with conditions 22 Jan 25**

[24/03629/LBC](#) - Garden Cottage Belmont Hall Pole Lane, CW9 6HN - Alterations to roof to include removal of 2 chimneys, single storey rear and side extensions, alterations to windows and doors, internal alterations - **CWAC Refused 3 Feb 25**

AWAIT CWAC DECISION: 12