

**MINUTES OF HANKELow PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
6 SEPTEMBER 2021
HANKELow METHODIST CHURCH**

PRESENT: Councillor G Foster Chair
Councillor I Jones
Councillor C Fitzsimons
Councillor C Cope

IN ATTENDANCE: Borough Councillor Rachel Bailey

38. CO-OPTION OF NEW PARISH COUNCILLOR

Two expressions of interest had been received by the Parish Council for the Casual Parish Councillor vacancy. The Parish Council took the decision to co-opt the applicant, Audrey Postlethwaite, to become a new Parish Councillor. Councillor Postlethwaite completed the relevant co-option paperwork at the meeting.

39. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

There were no apologies for absence.

40. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members were invited to declare any non-pecuniary or disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI) which they had in any item of business on the agenda, the nature of that business and in respect of disclosable interests to leave the meeting prior to the discussion of that item.

There were no declarations of interest relevant to the items on the agenda.

41. MINUTES OF THE MEETINGS HELD ON 12 JULY 2021

The Parish Council approved the minutes of the meeting held on 12 July 2021.

42. PUBLIC QUESTION TIME

In accordance with the Parish Council's Standing Order No 1, members of the public were able to ask a question or to make a statement. No questions had been sent through to the Clerk prior to the meeting.

43. NEIGHBOURHOOD PLAN

There were no further updates on the Neighbourhood Plan following its implementation. The Parish Council noted that any review of the Plan would need to be undertaken on a periodic basis by the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group and it was on this basis it agreed that there would no need for this to continue to be a standing agenda item.

44. TACKLING RURAL CRIME

The Parish Council considered whether there was an appropriate forum to invite the Police Community Support Officer to deliver a talk on tackling rural crime. It was noted that Councillor Cope had made initial contact with Nick Jarvis.

RESOLVED: That this item be placed on the agenda for the next meeting at which Councillor Cope would report back on his progress.

45. SHARED INFORMATION

Councillor Jones and Derek Smith were thanked for their efforts in painting the signpost.

Councillors Foster and Cope had attended a meeting regarding future highway maintenance funding proposals and provided feedback on the possible impact and implications. It was agreed to keep the Parish Council informed of progress with the discussions.

Some discussion took place about whether the Parish Council should explore the provision of electric charging points around the Parish. It was noted that Cheshire East had a policy for electric charging points and it was agreed to give consideration to this before determining whether this should be a further consideration by the Parish Council.

46. **DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

Monday, 1 November 2021.

.....Chair

The meeting commenced at 7.30 pm and closed at 8.50pm