



Minutes of the Meeting held on 12 November 2018 at 7.00pm in Elton Community Centre

Present: Councillors Maureen Wilson (Chair), Ruth Ackroyd, Colin Crispin, Martin Dickinson, Nigel Goodliffe, Margaret Lockhart, Pauline O'Reilly, Ron Reading, Steve Serna

18.100 Apologies for Absence: Ian Miller

18.101 Declaration of Interest: Councillor Ruth Ackroyd as Minister of the Ince, Elton, Thornton-le-Moors Anglican Church. Councillors Colin Crispin, Nigel Goodliffe, Pauline O'Reilly as members of the Elton Community Centre Management Committee.

18.102 Public Speaking: Mr John Hefferman introduced himself as a Council Member of Cheshire West supporting the Labour Party. He gave a brief resume of his experience and goals. He was seeking a meeting venue – application details for the Community Centre were passed over. **He would be holding a Surgery on 17 & 24 November at the Elton shops from 11am to 12noon.**

18.103 Encirc: The Chair reported on the meeting held on Monday 11 November with Encirc, where a large increase in traffic activity in 2019 was expected. New direction signs would be implemented in Jan/Feb 2019 at the head of Ince Lane/Ash Road, Ince Lane/Parkland Lane, Parkland Lane (station access) to assist with heavy transport flow.

18.104 Travellers: Discussion took place over the problems of school access, stone throwing on the A5117. Ruth Ackroyd suggested that communication with this Community should be improved. A meeting to discuss how we might assist them was agreed with perhaps a representative at the Council Meeting. The Chair to arrange a separate meeting.

18.105 Minutes: The Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 26 September and 16 October were approved. 8 October was deferred to the next meeting due to errors present.

18.106 Finance: Due to errors in the Agenda, this will be deferred to the next meeting.

18.107 Planning: The planning application 18/04212/FUL at Rivendell, Pinewood Close was raised. The affect of caravan/truck on their neighbours was questioned.

18.108 Highways and Rights of Way: Cheshire-West council to supply and install signs as noted under 18.103

18.109 Marsh Lane Greenway: Due to Ian Miller not being available to discuss, this item was deferred to the next meeting.

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18.110 Dog Walking Area: The planting of the grass area would take place in March 2019.

Councillor Martin Dickison agreed to circulate the details of the endangered species.

18.111 Christmas Lights: The tree is on site. The official lighting ceremony will take place on Saturday 1st December at 4pm. They would be turned on each day from 4pm to 10pm until 6 January 2019.

Steve Serna would contact the Spar for permission for a Scout climbing frame to be erected. Ron Reading would display publicity details on the Council Web site, Facebook page and Notice Boards with 6 large posters planned.

18.112 Remembrance Memorial: This took place at 2pm on 6th November. Thanks were expressed to Ruth Ackroyd for a memorable occasion attended by many residents. Thanks were also expressed to the Stone Masons and Ron Reading for their work.

Ron Reading reminded us that a World War 2 memorial was planned.

18.113 Salvation Army: A partnership with Salvation Army for a textile recycling site was discussed. Ruth Ackroyd offered the Church Hall car park as a possible site if the Church Council were agreeable (meeting 13 Nov). The Proposal was approved by all Councillors except one.

18.114 Update Reports: Due to the number of reports (15), it was suggested that in future Councillors who wished to make a report, should write to the Chair with a copy to the Secretary. All agreed.

18.115 Other Matters: Ron Reading requested that all the Minutes (and Agendas in the future) are passed to him following approval by the Chair, so they may be displayed on the web site. He requested that a copy of the Minutes from the start of the year also are passed to him.

The Chair Closed the Open meeting and requested that Mr John Hefferman leave as there was to be a closed session.

18.116 Clerk: Ms Pauline English resigned as Secretary this month and left on 10 November. Thanks were expressed by the Chair for the work she carried out.

The post was advertised and one application received, she was interviewed by the Chair and Vice Chair. With 3 months probation, the new Secretary will begin work shortly.

18.117 Date and Time of the Next Meeting: Monday at 7.00pm on 10 December 2018 in the ELTON Community Centre. The Chair closed the meeting at 8.55pm.