**STOKE & HURLESTON PARISH COUNCIL**

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Minutes of Meeting held on 20th May 2019 @ 7.30pm

**Nantwich Vets Equine meeting room, Hurleston.**

**Councillors Present**:, Mrs Helen Exley (**The Clerk**), Mike Kosh (**MK**) Vice Chair)) Christine Bowen (**CB**), Mr Fred West (**FW**)**,** Mr Ken Hough (**KH**)

**No Members of the public present**

| **Point** | **Agenda point** | **Raised By** | **Action** | **Due Date** |
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| 1. | **Apologies: -**  Mrs Valerie Pickford (**VP**) (Chair) Robert Darlington (**RD**) | Vice Chair | N/A | 20/05/19 |
| 2. | **Declaration of Councillors Interests**:-  There were no declarations registered from any Cllrs present. | The Clerk | The Clerk | 20/05/19 |
| 3. | **Matters arising from previous Minutes & Approval:** -  The Minutes of 04/03/19 were signed and agreed as accurate by all Councillors present. Proposed by **FW** and 2nded by **KH** | Vice Chair | N/A | 20/05/19 |
| 4. | **Open Forum:-**  No members of the public were present. | General Public | The Clerk | 20/05/19 |
| 5. | **Highways Update**: -   * **MK** - Update on the A51 corridor and A51 action group attached to the back of these minutes. * **KH** commented that there is no “halt” sign at the junction of Old Chester Road and motorists do not have enough visibility coming over the bridge to see other cars at the junction. The hedge needs to be reduced in size, to improve visibility. The Clerk to contact highways and also the possibility of Reaseheath College students re laying the hedge. * **MK** still investigating the Matrix signs for the A51. | The Clerk | The Vice Chair/MK | Ongoing |
| 6. | **LEP Housing strategy :-**  **MK** gave an update of the LEP Housing strategy for Cheshire East.  See attached notes | The Clerk | The Clerk | 20/05/19 |
| 7. | **Lengthsman duties:-**   * Dog waste bin - a new one with a lid is required by the base of the steps at the bridge. Proposed by **MK** and seconded by **FW.** * Bin by Blackberry Farm now contains tyres! The Clerk to contact ANSA. Agreed that the bin that was sited in the layby by the vets and has been re sited to the Blackberry farm site, remains there as people are taking their rubbish away with them | The Clerk | The clerk | 20/05/19 |
| 8. | **Clerk’s report:-**  The clerk stated that the business deposit account earns as little as £6.60 per year and suggested that the 2 accounts be amalgamated. It was proposed by **FW** and 2nded by **MK** that this happen. A letter to NatWest bank was signed by 2 bank signatories requesting this action. | The Clerk | The Clerk | 20/05/19 |
| 9. | **Planning Matters :-**   * 18/1882N Barbridge Methodist Chapel development – new application submitted * Footpath diversion order around Stoke Hall – no objection | The Chair | The Chair | 20/05/19 |
| 10. | **Borough Councillor:-**  Not present at the meeting. | Cllr SP | N/A | 20/05/19 |
| 11. | **Payment of accounts:-**  Cheques issued:-   * Experior systems (502) £ 120.00 * CHALC (503) £ 97.20 * Zurich Insurance (504) £ 210.26 * Helen Exley Salary (505) £ 300.00 * Helen Exley Expenses (506) £ 137.06 * Nantwich Vets (Room Hire) (507) £ 50.00 | The Clerk | The Clerk | 20/05/19 |
| 12. | **AOB:-**   * Check the Snugburys new entrance – was planning granted? | The Vice Chair |  | 16/09/19 |
| 13. | **Dates for 2019 meetings :-**  **16th September, 9th December** | The Clerk | The Clerk | 20/05/19 |

There being no further business, the Vice Chairman declared the meeting closed @ 20.45pm.

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**Cheshire and Warrington LEP Housing Strategy**

The document published in March 2019 has to be seen in the context of the LEP Strategic Economic Plan and the Cheshire East Housing Strategy. In fact, the Cheshire East doc. Is more specifically focused on our area whereas the LEP document is setting out a sub-regional strategy i.e the whole of Cheshire and Warrington.

LEP doc is a detailed analysis of the demographics, housing stock and a projection of future need both in terms of population, housing and employment developments

The document highlights the need for the right homes in the right places. In the past housing development has occurred without much consideration to economic growth. The document draws attention to the need for a focus on the importance of the link between the right housing to service economic development.

 The region typically has an aging population and a declining young population. Growing businesses and local economies requires a large pool of local available talent so employees do not have to commute for hours. Thus, the need for a mixed housing stock to attract young people in particular, affordable housing. In addition to attract younger people there is a need to development attractive amenities, cultural and leisure

Expand town centre living

CE strategy has target of 36, 000 houses average of 1800 per year between 2010 and 2030

Major developments in Crewe and Macclesfield. In longer term Crewe to be High growth city

Major housing developments in CE Housing Strategy in Crewe area probably the closest to Stoke and Hurleston being Leighton area housing development.

In Nantwich 3hectares of employment land and 2050 homes identified in CE plan. Kingsley fields plan 1100 new homes 4 retail units offices pub and community hall.