

DUNHAM HILL & HAPSFORD PARISH COUNCIL

Working Group

Monday 6th December 2021, at 7.00pm, at Dunham Hill Village Hall.

NOTES OF MEETING

Present: Cllr C Green
Cllr E Gibson
Cllr S Willet
Clerk: Mrs T Ryall-Harvey

Cllr K Holmes
Cllr R Johnson
Cllr L Wales

Draft Budget for 2022-23

The draft budget for 2022-23 was circulated for the Parish Council's consideration. The budget was felt to be as lean as it could be, and the Parish Council will look to pursue grants for funding towards future projects.

Neighbourhood Development Plan

Claire Green reported that she had made contact with John Heselwood from Cheshire Community Action and he had confirmed CWaC had agreed to fund his time to help with the following areas:-

- Advice on preparation of a neighbourhood area application.
- Supporting the Parish Council with a community meeting to explain the NP process and encourage more volunteers to get involved.
- Advise on the scope of the NP including: draft survey, attending at meetings, telephone and email support.
- Writing a project plan and advice on applying for a government grant.

Claire confirmed that she would get dates for a meeting with Cheshire Community Action in January 2022 to start beginning the planning process and receive advice on government grant etc.

Storm Arwen

Following Storm Arwen, Keith Bradley had concerns about residents of the Cheshire Park Caravan Site due to lack of electricity on the site for a number of hours/days and the Clerk had raised these with CWaC. CWaC had agreed to undertake a 'welfare check' of the residents. Following this CWaC had confirmed back that contact had been made with the owner of the site and reassurances had been received that all residents were safe and well.

Mere's Edge

Kevin Holmes reported on the recent meeting with Mere's Edge. He provided maps to the group and highlighted the sections on the map which were designated as the Honeywell Site and areas earmarked for industry – some owned by Barnston Land & a local farmer – which it was reported the Honeywell already had agreement that they could develop if they wish to.

It was highlighted that it was important for the Parish Council to understand what the local area needs were, suggestions from the group were as follows:-

- Want children in schools locally
- Cycle path/Green path
- GP services locally
- Community Facilities – play area
- Speed awareness signs
- Good mix of housing, to include executive housing and social housing.

Concern was highlighted that a design brief be included with the Neighbourhood Development Plan to include styles of houses, colour of bricks, types of roofing, types of houses etc which could assist in any planning applications for the future.

Claire to send all information to Cheshire Community Action so that they are fully briefed prior before starting work on the Neighbourhood Plan.