



Minutes of the Meeting of a meeting held on

Tuesday 27th September 7.30pm at Mawdesley Village Hall

Participants: Cllr M Worthington (Chair), Cllr L Causer (Vice Chair), Cllr G Worthington, Cllr G Green, Trish Grimshaw (Clerk/RFO), Peter Boardman (Lengthsman) and 6 members of the public

1. To co-opt a Councillor(s) from the applications received and subsequent interview process

Jessica Hogg and Sara Boardman having been duly co-opted signed the declaration of acceptance of office for Parish Councillors.

2. Apologies for Absence – received from Councillor Mike Henty
3. Declarations of Interest and Dispensations - none
4. To receive declarations of interest from Councillor's on items on the agenda - none
5. To receive written requests for dispensations for disclosable pecuniary interests (if any) - none
6. To grant any requests for dispensation as appropriate - none
7. Mins of the Previous Meeting
8. It was resolved to approve as a correct record the Minutes of the Council Meeting held on 12/07/22 and EOM held on 09/08/22, these were duly signed by the Chairman.
9. To present the village champion awards for 2020 and 2021 (Winifred Thomson & Chris Charlton). The Chairman duly presented Winifred with the village champion award in recognition and thanks of all the hard work undertaken on the Mawdesley Tea Party committee. Unfortunately, Chris was unable to attend hence will be invited to the next meeting.
10. The meeting was adjourned for a period of public participation.
11. Concerns were raised regarding the worsening of speeding traffic in the village. It was confirmed that the 20mph speed restrictions are not enforceable and would need to be accompanied by road calming measures which is the responsibility of LCC. It was suggested that residents raise concerns directly to LCC on their website. Cllr Causer confirmed she is in touch with the police and Community PCSO, who unfortunately have not been able to dedicate as much time as is needed to the village.
12. To raise an issue from a member of the public regarding timescales for the traffic calming measures being introduced in Mawdesley and if so the locations of these - will New Street be included? The Chairman provided an update of an initial meeting in Dec 2020 with LCC which included traffic calming measure to improve the junction utilising infrastructure monies following the Jones homes Gorsey Lane development. The final plan is currently with LCC and should include street cushions i.e. a raised centre at four lane ends, reinstating stripes and a pedestrian crossing – exact location to be confirmed.
13. It was resolved to install a dog bin and dispenser in the area of Hall Green Lane, proposed by Cllr M Worthington, seconded by Cllr L Causer and unanimously agreed by all Parish Councillors.
14. Parish Clerk's Report (previously circulated) – the Clerk provided a verbal summary of her report previously circulated.
15. Lengthsman's Report – the Lengthsman provided a verbal update.

The container can now be delivered to site, Peter to liaise with Ainscoughs regarding the date. The purchase of a generator was suggested this will be added to the next agenda for consideration.

A quotation has been supplied by Steve Ashton for fencing at Burt Moss.

Peter reported rust spot on the fruit trees, the leaves have been removed; not all of the dog wood has taken. Peter is sourcing appropriate new bolts for repairs to the playground.

16. It was confirmed the groundwork is now completed on Moss fields enabling delivery of the container. It was resolved to plant the area appropriately with a selection of shrubs, wildflowers and bulbs such as bluebells for all year colour.
17. It was resolved to have a contingency in place to pay for hours worked should the Lengthsman be unable to deliver the newsletter. Payment will be made for the invoice received for delivery of the autumn edition.
18. Following quotations received it was resolved to appoint Andrew McLoughlin (Treestyle Consultancy Ltd) to undertake the Tree Survey for Moss Fields.
19. The Clean-up/skip day held on 3rd September was a great success with 2 skips being filled. Thanks to all who helped on the day.
20. The replacement bus shelter will arrive week commencing 7/11 fully assembled. The Parish Council is sourcing a specialist contractor to enable the required works to be completed.
21. It was resolved not to pursue the census results for population changes in the NW due to changes in circumstances.
22. It was confirmed that the annual Remembrance Sunday event will go ahead this year. The clerk to complete and forward the application to the legal department for the road closure. It was resolved to write to the British Legion (Mawdesley Branch) to confirm the protocol for the laying of official wreaths at the service; other wreaths can be laid when the service has ended.
23. It was resolved to agree the fee to be paid to Road Safety Service (£480.00 plus VAT) in respect of the road closure on Remembrance Sunday, proposed by Cllr M Worthington and seconded by Cllr L Causer.
24. Following a resident's concerns surrounding several footpaths around the periphery of the village which are becoming difficult to walk on, in part due to the encroachment of farming activities, it was resolved to follow this up with LCC. The Lengthsman has already reported the footpath at Old Sandy Lane.
25. It was resolved to replace the remaining fence line on Moss fields bordering Smith Lane to the bottom gate and request the advice of the tree surveyor on the most appropriate hedge to be planted on the outside of the new wooden fence.
26. The warm and welcoming buildings initiative from LCC (e mail previous circulated) advising of any publicly accessible buildings that are free of charge was discussed. The Methodist church was suggested as a possible contact.
27. Planning Matters - to discuss and decide a response (if applicable) to planning applications including those received after the agenda is published.

Reference:22/00934/FUL Comments by 3rd October 2022.

Proposal: Section 73 application to vary condition 2 (approved plans) attached to planning permission 20/00815/FUL (erection of two dwellings, stable block and gated entrance following demolition of existing stables) to amend the approved design for plot 2

Location: Church Farm Stables, High Street, Mawdesley, Ormskirk L40 3TD No comments; Neutral

Reference: 22/00769/FUL Comments by 4th October 2022

Proposal : Demolition of existing semi-detached dwelling and outbuildings, rebuilding the end gable of no.19 and the erection of a detached dwelling

Location : 21 New Street Mawdesley L40 2QN Amended plans have been submitted. No comments; Neutral

Reference: 22/00941/FULMAJ Comments by 6th October 2022

Proposal: Erection of 58 no. dwellings (including 35% affordable) with associated access, landscaping, parking, demolition, and other works. Location: Land North Of Gorsey Lane Mawdesley

This item will be discussed at an Extra Ordinary Meeting – date to be confirmed

To review the projects previously agreed by Parish Councillors (previously circulated) and ratify the projects placing in order of priority.

Earmarked Reserves	Estimate	Actual	Status
Parish Council CIL money project to purchase and install red phone box	3000		Remove
Parish Council CIL money project to champion a speeding poster campaign Parish Council	1000		Agreed
CIL money project planting a tree for every primary school child in the Village	500		Completed with free trees
Village Sound System	3026		Agreed
Agreed at the January meeting - 2 additional signs for Moss Fields	993		Completed
Bowling Club to drain the carpark and limestone plus tarmac potholes extending. On hold until further investigation into the surrounding land	2000	3180	Completed
Village Gateways in principle seven minimum cost	3500		Agreed
Additional work on Moss Fields Paths	1350		Completed
Village Hall make grass area more usable for various village groups and organisations	2500		Completed
Moss Field Entrance and the Container estimate only	25000	14346	Completed
Raised planter bed with reclaimed cobbles at Hurst Green	2000	1200	Completed
Replacement of Bus Shelter	8000		In Progress
Replacement of signage at Hurst Green	2000		Agreed
Replacement of Fencing Moss Fields	6000		Agreed
TOTAL	60869		
Neighbourhood Plan	20000		
General Reserves	22518		

Other project suggested for future consideration were: Replacement of the Mawdesley Map and noticeboard outside the Spar; Additional play area equipment; Heritage plaques; historic sites; leaflet detailing walks around the village.

28. To receive an update on the progress in relation to the Annual Governance Accountability Return.

The Clerk reported she has provided additional detail to the external auditor re current reserves.

29. Members noted the budget monitoring reports/receipts and payments summary for quarter one 2022/23 – April to June with no of concern being raised.

30. To consider and approve the schedule of accounts for payment - Approved

31. Financial reports – to ratify accounts and authorise payments - Approved

32. To resolve to move £5,000 from the savings account to the current account - Approved.

33. Staffing review - to discuss the ongoing incapacity of the Lengthsman and agree the appropriate pay arrangements.

In view of the confidential nature of this item members of the public are excluded at this point. A separate note of the resolution is contained in a confidential minute. There being no further business the meeting closed at 21.30

Signed *M Worthington*

Cllr M Worthington, Chair

Dated18/10/22.....

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