

# Preston Brook Parish Council

MINUTES OF PRESTON BROOK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING  
HELD at 7:30pm ON TUESDAY 21 JUNE 2022 AT PRESTON BROOK VILLAGE HALL,  
SANDY LANE, PRESTON BROOK, CHESHIRE, WA7 3AW.

## Members Present

L. Sanders, M. Marlow, A. Price, P. Bolton, G. Littler, J. Walton

## Also Present:

Luke Trevaskis - Proper Officer

Two members of the public

Ward Cllr Tom Stretch

Meeting opened at 7.31pm

1. **Chairman** - nominations were received for Cllr A Price and Cllr L Sanders.

Both councillors received three votes each. Cllr L Sanders used a casting vote.

Cllr L Sanders was duly elected Chairman for the civic year 2022-2023.

2. **Vice Chairman** - no nominations were received.

3. **Apologies** – none.

4. **Declarations** – none.

5. **Police** – the Council noted the launch of the PCC proceeds of crime grant.

6. **Minutes of the previous meeting** - RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting be accepted as a true record.

7. **Co-Option** - the Council duly co-opted Catherine Murray.

8. **Platinum Jubilee** - members discussed the recent success of the Jubilee event, noting excellent feedback and everybody enjoyed themselves. Suggestions had come from the community to hold an annual event - perhaps a village fete with a large marquee with a higher capacity. Members felt there should be more recognition of the Council during the event - perhaps some more signage or each member introducing themselves. Members noted there had been positive feedback about the quality of the flyers. It was noted a refund on the Helier Skeltor may be possible. Village Hall raised £450 from the bar.

## 9. Public Realm

- the Council agreed to arrange a meeting with Paul Wright to walk around Preston Brook to discuss projects and ask Halton if they will install the bench and fund (through CIL) a landscape architect to develop projects proposed by the Parish Council.

- it was noted one of the project could include £250 for sleepers for the entrance to Windmill Lane and £200 for bulb planting.
- the Council noted the telephone box needs to be repaired and the contents is currently a little neglected and will need to be removed before its refurbishment. The Council also agreed to ask the History Group if they have any future plans for its use.

9. **Village Hall Committee** - the Council noted Cllr J Walton and Cllr A Price had attended a meeting and it was understood there would be a cost of approximately £1,000 to progress the Trust Deed transfer. The Committee has agreed to provide a copy of the Trust Deed to the Council.

10. **Highways** - the Council approved a letter to be sent to Halton Borough Council, outlining the priorities of the Parish and outcomes that the Council would like Halton to support. The Council agreed to move the SID to the opposite direction.

## 10. Financial Report

- the Council approved the end of year AGAR finance statements and asset register (including £199 laptop, £1 telephone box, £1 Bridgewater Green, £1 Bridgewater Grange).

## 11. Planning

- an update on 22/00203/FUL was noted with further information due that could be added to the submission once received (such as A56 camera flow data). It was noted a copy of the current submission had already been submitted to Halton BC.
- it was agreed to source at least one additional quote for a proposed study exploring the potential to establish a Conservation Area in Preston Brook which was agreed in principle.

12. **Ward Councillor Report** - the Council noted Cllr Dave Cargill had sent apologies. Cllr Lloyd Jones had also sent apologies with nothing to report. Cllr Tom Stretch was present with nothing to report.

13. **Public forum** - it was noted that residents understood Paul Wright had already committed a landscape architect to support the public realm projects.

## 14. Next Meeting

- 26.7.22

Meeting closed at 9.27pm.

**Signed as a true record**

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**Chairperson**