

Preston Brook Parish Council

MINUTES OF PRESTON BROOK PARISH COUNCIL MEETING
HELD at 7:45pm ON TUESDAY 24 MAY 2022 AT PRESTON BROOK VILLAGE HALL,
SANDY LANE, PRESTON BROOK, CHESHIRE, WA7 3AW.

Members Present

L. Sanders, M. Marlow, A Price.

Also Present:

Luke Trevaskis - Proper Officer

Two members of the public

Ward Cllr Tom Stretch

Ward Cllr Martha Lloyd-Jones

Meeting opened at 7.50pm

1. **Chairman** - No nominations were received for Chairman for 2022-2023. Cllr Sanders was duly elected Chairman for the meeting.
2. **Vice Chairman** - deferred.
3. **Apologies** – Cllr P Bolton, G Littler, J Walton.
4. **Declarations** – None.
5. **Police** – the Council thanked the PCSO for all their work in the Parish. The PCSO reported that a lot of PCSO's are not getting replaced as they retire/leave. The PCSO noted that the main complaint from residents in the Parish seems to revolve around speeding on the A56. Regular TruCam has been undertaken and there has been a recommendation to move the SID. The PCSO also recommended consideration of moving the 30MPH further out.
6. **Minutes of the previous meeting** - RESOLVED that the minutes of the last meeting be accepted as a true record.
7. **Platinum Jubilee** - the Council approved that the history group could be present at the event and acknowledged that there would not be a requirement for the face painter to have a DBS check. Members received an updated budget for the event and noted only the extension leads were still to be purchased.
8. **Public Realm**
 - the Council approved the cost of the green bin licences for Bridgewater Green.
 - the Council noted a member would contact the bench installer for an update.
 - the Council noted a member had made contact with Peel regarding the Canal.
9. **Village Hall Committee** - the Council noted a meeting of the Village Hall Committee had not yet taken place.

10.Highways - the Council noted that the SID data had still not been provided. Ward Councillors provided updates on the actions they have taken regarding highways. It was noted that the working group were meeting and the Council needs to put together a 'wish list' and formally submit it to Halton Borough Council's Highways department. Once the Council's priorities have been identified for the Parish, it will then be easier to follow an audit trail to see where each project is up to and if officers at Halton BC are not minded to support any initiatives then Ward Councillors advised they would be happy to assist with petition notices. A member agreed to draft a list of all Highways priorities.

11. Policies - the Council adopted the Standing Orders, Financial Regulations (including delegation of £1,500 to be spent at officer discretion), Risk Management Scheme, and Data Breach Policy.

12. Financial Report

- the Council approved the draft end of year finance statements and agreed to donate £50.00 to a charity selected by the resident who had repaired the sign in the village.

11. Planning

- it was agreed to instruct FTB Chambers to draft a representation to Planning Application 22/00203/FUL at a fixed fee of £3,000.00
- it was agreed to source consultants for the Neighbourhood Plan and apply for funding, incorporating within the NP any appropriate recommendations for Conservation Areas.

12. Training - the PO agreed to circulate the training schedule from ChALC.

13.Ward Councillor Report - the Council noted Cllr Dave Cargill had sent apologies. Cllr Lloyd Jones reported a summary of case work is as follows:

- Bushes obscuring speed restriction sights.
- Signs encouraging traffic to follow the correct route.
- Complaint about fly-tipping in Newton Lane.
- Ongoing planning application complaint regarding kennels.

14. Public forum - none.

15. Next Meeting

- 21.6.22

Meeting closed at 9.30pm.

Signed as a true record

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Chairperson