

LITTLE BOLLINGTON PARISH MEETING
Minutes of Meeting held on Tuesday 28 June 2022 at 6.30pm
at Spode Cottage, Little Bollington

1. PRESENT & APOLOGIES

Present:

Giselle Rusted (Chair), Mike Reed (Clerk), Mike Rusted

Apologies:

Andy Blackburn, Joe & Rosemary Bowdon, Tracie & Graham Hughes, Ann Amphlett, Joy Cooper, Paul Duncalf-Grey, Brian Hurd, John Underhill

2. PREVIOUS MEETING

The minutes of the previous Parish Meeting were deferred to the next meeting when a larger attendance is expected.

3. ANNUAL ACCOUNTS 2019-20

The annual accounts, which had been circulated prior to the meeting, were considered and discussed. A small correction to the dates indicated in the headings was agreed. Subject to this change the accounts were approved unanimously.

4. INTERNAL AUDIT REPORT

The internal audit report was considered by the meeting. The internal audit had been undertaken by Peter Whitworth FCCA. The meeting expressed their thanks to Peter for his diligent undertaking of this task. The audit report was unanimously accepted by the meeting.

5. ANNUAL GOVERNANCE AND ACCOUNTABILITY RETURN 2019-20

5a Certificate of Exemption

The meeting considered the Certificate of Exemption which had been circulated in advance. The meeting unanimously approved the Certificate of Exemption.

5b Annual Governance Statement

The Annual Governance Statement was presented to the meeting, having been circulated in advance. The meeting considered the statement. Approval of the Governance Statement was agreed unanimously by the meeting.

5c Accounting Statements

The Accounting Statements had been checked and agreed by the internal auditor, Peter Whitworth, and signed by the Chair, Giselle Rusted in advance of the meeting. They had been circulated to residents and were now presented to the meeting, which considered the statements. Approval of the Accounting Statements was agreed unanimously by the meeting.

6. COMMUNITY INFRASTRUCTURE LEVY

There was a brief discussion of the payment received from Cheshire East Council (CEC) under the Community Infrastructure Levy. It was agreed that the Clerk would take further advice from CEC. Ideas would then be considered for a range of possible applications of these funds. The community would then be consulted and proposals would be submitted to a Parish Meeting.

7. OTHER BUSINESS

7.1 HS2

The Chair gave a report of the meeting for local councils on HS2 held on 27 June. This had recommended that local councils submit a Petition to Parliament regarding the HS2 Bill. It was agreed that the Clerk would take advice from Nigel Hennerley, our representative for HS2 consultations, who called the 27 June meeting. Further action would be considered following this advice.

7.2 Neighbourhood Plan

Concern was expressed that progress on the Neighbourhood Plan had stalled. It was agreed that the Clerk would contact Ged Mann who is leading the project to offer support and help to ensure that the Plan is progressed.

7.3 Shared Prosperity Form

The Clerk reported on the consultation by CEC on this fund. The Clerk will look into this in greater detail and discuss with the Chair how to prepare a response by LBPM.

7.4 Merger of Little Bollington and Agden Parish Meetings

It was agreed that the Chair and Clerk will consider and discuss how to prepare for the transition to the Little Bollington with Agden Community Council, including the Parish Meeting on Wednesday 7 September which will focus on this matter.

There was no other business. The meeting was closed at 7.30pm.