

Minutes of the Meeting Held at 7.30pm on Wednesday 9th July 2025

Present

Councillors Jackson, Sherry and Wilson.

In attendance:

G Parker (Parish Clerk)
Councillor Mark Stocks (CWAC)
Sue Thomas (Manchester Airport)

25.021 Apologies for absence

Councillors Binyon, Dutton and Painter.

25.022 To note declarations of members' interests

None.

25.023 Public Participation: -

None.

25.024 To receive and confirm the minutes of the meeting held on 14th May 2025.

The minutes of the meeting held on 14th May 2025 were confirmed as a correct record and signed.

25.025 To receive a presentation from Manchester Airport.

Resolved that

- the presentation from Sue Thomas be noted.
- the Parish Clerk will circulate the presentation to all Parish Councillors and submit any comments received by the deadline at the end of August.

25.026 To approve the co-option of a Parish Councillor.

Resolved that Louise Corlett be co-opted to the Parish Council.

Proposed: Councillor Jackson

Seconded: Councillor Wilson

25.027 To approve the appointment of a trustee to the Richard Comberbach Trust

Resolved that Kathryn Griffiths be appointed as the Parish Council nominated trustee for Nether Peover to the Richard Cumberbatch Trust.

Signed

25.028 To receive the police reports.

Resolved that the police reports received after publication of the agenda be circulated to all councillors.

25.029 To receive news from the Unitary Authority Councillors.

Resolved that the update from Councillor Stocks be noted, including: -

- Work is continuing regarding the relocation of the 30 mile per hour sign on Middlewich Road.
- Discussions are continuing regarding the adoption of the road at Swan Green.
- Cheshire West and Chester Council is anticipating additional highway funding. This is performance related but should address some of the highway maintenance problems in the Parish.
- Consultation has commenced on the Local plan to address the new housing targets for Cheshire West and Chester.

25.030 To receive updates regarding progress with the Parish Plan.

Resolved that: -

Workstream 1

- The recent Speedwatch session be noted.

Workstream 2

- The next stage of the pond restoration will be planting in the Autumn.

Workstream 3

- It be noted that there is no update.

Workstream 4

- It be noted that there is no update.

25.031 Planning.

a. To consider the latest planning applications (attached).

Site Address: Apple Tree Cottage Cheadle Lane Nether Peover Northwich
WA16 9SN

Proposal: First floor extension to outbuilding and roof addition

Reference Number: 25/01558/FUL

Resolved that no comments be submitted.

Location: Peover End Plumley Moor Road, Lower Peover, Knutsford, Cheshire East, WA16 9SE

Proposal: Demolition of existing two storey rear extension and front entrance canopy, erection of single storey rear extension, alterations to front entrance gable, internal and external alterations, and associated landscape works.

Application Number: 25/2158/HOUS

Resolved that no comments be submitted.

25.032 Finance

Resolved that: -

- a. the Receipts and Payments to 30th June 2025 be noted.
- b. payments due of £118.00 be approved.
- c. the budget and expenditure to 30th June 2025 be noted.
- d. the Council in accordance with its powers under section 137 and 139 of the Local Government Act 1972, should incur the following expenditure which, in the opinion of the Council, is in the interests of the area of its inhabitants and will benefit them in a manner commensurate with expenditure: -

£420 to maintain and thereby enable public access to the churchyard at St Oswald's Church.

25.033 To consider the proposed work programme to convert the former Phone Box to an information point.

Resolved that: -

- a. Comberbach Parish Council be contacted to find out details of the work undertaken on their phone box refurbishment.
- b. Councillor Jackson will prepare a specification for the work to be done.
- c. a budget maximum of £1000 be approved for the project.

25.034 To consider the establishment of a Parish wide messaging group.

Resolved that Councillor Sherry will prepare a proposal to scope the requirements for consideration at the next meeting.

25.035 Christmas 2025 arrangements

Resolved that: -

- a provisional date of 2nd of December be set for the Christmas switch on.
- the Parish Clerk would apply for the necessary licence.

25.036 To approve the purchase of a new Parish Council laptop.

Resolved that a maximum budget of £600 excluding VAT be approved for the purchase of a replacement laptop.

25.037 Matters for the next agenda.

Resolved that: -

- arrangements for Christmas 2025
- the establishment of a messaging group
- feedback on the phone box refurbishment
- the local plan

be considered at the next ordinary meeting of the Parish Council.

25.038 Future Meetings.

Resolved that the date for the next meeting of the Parish Council on Wednesday 10th September 2025 be noted.