

# HANKELow PARISH COUNCIL

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Parish Councillors are summoned to a  
**MEETING OF THE PARISH COUNCIL**

**DATE:** TUESDAY, 3 JANUARY 2017  
**TIME:** 7.30 pm  
**NOTE VENUE:** HANKELow METHODIST CHAPEL  
HANKELow



Signed

Date: 28 December 2016  
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To: Members of the Parish Council  
(G Foster (Chairman), G Cope (Vice-Chairman), C Ainley, I Jones and A Lee)

cc: Cheshire East Ward Councillor Rachel Bailey

**MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC ARE WELCOME TO ATTEND THIS MEETING**

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# A G E N D A

## 1 APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

## 2 DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

Members to declare any non-pecuniary or disclosable pecuniary interest (DPI) which they have in any item of business on the agenda, the nature of that interest, and in respect of DPIs to leave the meeting prior to the discussion of that item. For Members' guidance, a table of DPIs is appended as the last page to this agenda.

Whilst the Clerk can advise on the Code of Conduct and its interpretation, the decision to declare, or not, is the responsibility of the Parish Councillor, based on the particular circumstances.

## 3 MINUTES

To approve as a correct record, the Minutes of the meeting held on 7 November 2016.

## 4 FINANCIAL MATTERS

### 4.1 Budget 2017-2018

To agree a budget for 2017-2018. The following documents are enclosed:

- Clerk's report.
- Budget monitoring to 30 September 2016 together with draft budget 2017-2018.

### 4.2 Authorisation of Payments

£109.00	C Ainley – reimbursement for the VAT element of a TWM invoice for repairs to the vehicle-speed display unit.
£1,000.00	APHAX – Grant previously approved by the Parish Council, as a contribution towards the building of the Audlem Public Hall annexe. A letter from the Audlem Public Hall Annexe committee is enclosed.
£74.40	HM Revenue & Customs – tax on Clerk's salary
£tba	Hankelow Methodist Church – payment for meetings of the White Lion Community Group Although at the previous meeting it was understood that these meetings would be free-of-charge, notification has now been received that the cost should be borne by the Parish Council.

## 5 NEIGHBOURHOOD PLANNING

5.1 To receive an update from the Neighbourhood Plan Steering Group.

### 5.2 Quotation for Ecological Survey

The Parish Council is invited to consider a quotation for the provision of £1,380 plus VAT.

The Financial Regulations stipulate that for goods or services in excess of £500, three quotations should be sought.

The quotation is from Cheshire Wildlife Trust and is the only quotation which has been requested.

- Consultation with Hankelow Neighbourhood Steering Group.
- Creation of map showing habitat distinctiveness (in line with DEFRA Biodiversity Metric Method).

- Mapped wildlife corridors recommended for protection through the Neighbourhood Plan policies for nature conservation/biodiversity/environment, as required.
- Detailed report setting out the method, additional maps and discussion of the findings in relation to the relevant nature conservation guidance and policies.

If the Parish Council wishes to consider the quotation, in the absence of others, the only regulation which might be appropriate is Regulation 11 (a) (ii) which states:

Every contract shall comply with these financial regulations, and no exceptions shall be made otherwise than in an emergency provided that this regulation need not apply to contracts which relate to items (i) to (vi) below:

- (ii) For specialist services such as are provided by solicitors, accountants, surveyors and planning consultants.

If Members are minded to approve this course of action, an appropriate resolution would be –

**RESOLVED:** (a) That, in accordance with Financial Regulation 11 (a) (ii) the quotation submitted by Cheshire Wildlife Trust, in the sum of £1,380.00 net be approved for the provision of an ecological survey, as detailed; and

(b) That it be noted that Cheshire Wildlife Trust is the recommended supplier for this service as it is privy to data which would not be available to other potential contractors.

## **6 PLANNING APPLICATION**

The Parish Council is invited to comment on the following planning application, by 13 January 2017. The application can be viewed on-line at [www.cheshireeast.gov.uk](http://www.cheshireeast.gov.uk).

16/3764N Lodge Farm, Audlem Road, Hankelow CW3 0JE  
Reserved matters application for the approval of appearance, layout and scale for erection of 20 dwellings

## **7 LONGHILL LANE – ROAD SAFETY (MINUTE NO.)**

At the previous meeting, Members agreed that this matter should be reconsidered with a view to asking Cheshire East Highways to seek an assessment of the lane, if appropriate.

## **8 THE WHITE LION PUBLIC HOUSE – ASSET OF COMMUNITY VALUE**

To receive a report from the independent group established to take forward the establishment of The White Lion as a community pub.

## **9 BOROUGH COUNCILLOR'S REPORT**

Councillor Rachel Bailey to report on local and Cheshire East Council matters of interest.

## **10 SHARED INFORMATION/REPORT OF MEMBERS APPOINTED TO OUTSIDE BODIES**

Parish Councillors are invited to share information which was not available at the time of publication of the agenda.

This is also an opportunity for Members who are appointed to outside bodies to report on any recent meetings.

## **12 DATE OF NEXT MEETING**

**Monday, 6 March 2017**