

**Minutes of The Antrobus Parish Council Meeting  
on Monday 17 Jan 2022 at St Marks Church**

Present

Mr S Batey (Chairman)	Ms C Bailey	Mr A Dunkley
Mrs C Bunn	Mr P Harrison	Mrs H Metcalfe
Mr S Rigby	Mrs H Vanek (via zoom – non-voting)	
Cllr P Marshall (Ward)	Mr S Palmer (Clerk)	

**Open forum.** No villagers attended.

**The meeting started at 7:30pm**

1. **Apologies for unavoidable absence** was received from Mr C Wright, Cllr N Wright (Ward), Cllr L Gibbon (Ward).
2. **Member's Declaration of interest** – None.
3. **Minutes** – PC Meeting on 15 Nov 2021 - **(22/01) RESOLVED** to accept the minutes as a correct record of the meeting.
4. **Matters Arising**

British Legion & social media – they will advise when they'll use our photos for promotion.

Mulburys – No planning application. P Marshall confirmed that CWAC Housing land supply was 8.99 years, exceeding the minimum by 4 years.

Sandbags & Flood 'Hub'- Filled sandbags have been delivered by CWAC to Antrobus Hall Farm. The Hub is to be used for unfilled sandbags and equipment. Access to both during emergencies to is to be clarified and the Flood Action Plan updated.

Pavement & grids – Knutsford Rd blocked grids are to be reported Drainage & contacting landowners – the landowner will look into it.

Healthwatch van – no feedback.
5. **Planning**
  - 5.1. Planning applications - **(22/02) RESOLVED** to make Planning comments as appendix 3.
  - 5.2. Enforcement – no issues.
  - 5.3. Arley – It was noted that some residents near Arley have made a claim to CE regarding planning & licencing. No action.
6. **Highways**
  - 6.1. Signage – quotes are delayed but being chased. Designs and revised costings will be proposed by the working group.
  - 6.2. Residents' comments – were received about the 'no access to Arley' signs. The purpose of them has been explained.
  - 6.3. Harry Potter event – A reply from the CEO of CWAC confirms that Highways were contacted by Cheshire East. The PC is not

aware of any traffic incidents. A private 'wash up' meeting will be requested with Arley Hall.

- 6.4. PCSO Community speeding scheme – A Community Speedwatch scheme adopted by Anderton has been considered but it has significant cost and won't be pursued.
- 6.5. CWAC 'Wildflowers in your ward' initiative – CWAC have prepared two types of scheme:
  - Type 1 'Pollinator verge' is active seeding for gateway entrances. The Ward councillors choose one free site a year for the next 5 years. But PCs can have their own self-funded areas. Both approaches will be applied for.
  - Type 3 'Managed long grass verge' (starts this year). Verges will be left to grow all season with only a start and end season cut. Visibility will be maintained at junctions.Antrobus Scouts are looking to sow wildflowers – to be contacted
- 6.6. Appleton Thorn HGV signage – P Marshal says 'Not suitable for HGV' signs can be made available – to reply with locations.
- 6.7. Resurface of Gibb Hill 2018 – following comments from Comberbach PC the numerous potholes will be reported.
- 6.8. Broken drain Brow lane – who can repair? – P Marshall clarified that Highways are responsible for drain repairs on verges. The farmer is to be informed. The issue has been reported already.
- 6.9. Fly tipping Caution Corner, pothole Goosebrook lane – for the record, both received prompt response from Highways.
- 6.10. Village centre floral displays – the planting will be clarified.
- 6.11. New Highways concerns
  - Knutsford Rd - Hedge cutting leaves pavement covered – to investigate whether the cutting can be tidier.
- 7. Open Forum** – no issues raised
- 8. Community Emergency Plan** – The approved version will be distributed to CWAC. It will be reviewed ahead of the July meeting. The new owners of Post Office Cottage will be informed.
- 9. Ward Councillors** – A report from a Ward Councillor included:
  - CWAC plan to put more empty buildings back into use. Gov. funding has been received for support of hospitality businesses. The budget is being developed. All Covid related CWAC spending has been re-funded by the Gov.
  - Repairs on the Soot Hill road slippage are very complex due to power and other cables. A new Winnington bridge is needed and is part of the levelling up application. Covid has caused delays to the timetable for publishing the 3 promised flood reports, no expected delivery date. The Gov housing white paper has been postponed.

**10. Playground & Defibrillator**

- 10.1. Weekly Inspections – up to date.
- 10.2. Repairs – Sandpapering on the slide has been completed.
- 10.3. CPR training – Attended by 19 villagers with enthusiastic feedback.
- 10.4. Tree risk policy – **(22/03) RESOLVED** to approve the policy.  
The village hall’s contractor will inspect when next in the area.

**11. Village News** – The PC wish to thank the previous editorial team for their contribution to the village over the last 5 years, and welcome the new team who have made an excellent start to continuing this long running service to the community.

**12. Accounts, Finance & Legal**

- 12.1. The accounts in Appendix 1 were noted.
- 12.2. Payments - **(22/04) RESOLVED** to approve the Payments list Appendix 2.
- 12.3. The clerk reported the precept had been submitted. It means a 1.2% reduction to the PC item on the 2022/23 Council tax.
- 12.4. The Gov. pay agreement – this is still ongoing but will result in backpay to Apr 2021 when completed.

**13. Consultations since last meeting**

The Office of Communications (OFCOM) consultation into its review of postal service regulation from 2022 – 2027 – to be responded to.  
Police PCC Budget Consultation 2022-23 survey - no action. CWAC Fairer Future consultation – a ten-year strategy to tackle financial hardship and poverty in the Borough - no action. CCA Mental Health Survey of Rural Residents - no action.

**14. Representatives & Working Groups:**

Traffic & HGV Incidents – few over last few months. PCSO Speeding visits – PCSO attended with speed gun. Manchester Airport Future Airspace – community update meetings have re-started, dates of cancelled night flights have been issued.

**15. Notable Correspondence.**

Residents comments – ‘no access to Arley’ signs (see 6.2). Invite to take part in the Platinum Jubilee Beacon Trail. Calendar for PCSO surgeries (see details posted on website). CWAC Housing land supply (Nov 2021) is 8.99 years (item 4).

**The Meeting ended at 9:17pm**

The next meeting of the Parish Council will be **held on Monday 21 Feb 2022 at 7.30 pm** at Antrobus St Marks Church. Open Forum **at 7:15 pm.**

Appendix 1 Accounts for previous month

Current a/c : 3 Dec	£ 9,339.41	Reserve	£ 24,502.11 a/c 3 Dec
Cashbook:	£ 9,339.41	Income:	£ nil

Appendix 2 Payments

Approved Nov (<£350): Quarterly Tax due Jan	£ 278.40	LGA 1972 s 111
Pre-approved: CP Dental Training – Life Support Training	£ 270.00	LGA 1972 s 137
Clerk – expenses including Microsoft 365 License and SLCC & ALCC annual subscriptions	£ 216.04	LGA 1972 s 111

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### Appendix 3 Recent planning applications.

[Key: PC Parish Council; PWG Planning Working Group, CW&C Cheshire West]

#### **FOR PC CONSULTEE comment, or noting:**

21/04837/FUL Crowley Lodge Lane Antrobus CW9 6NR - To replace existing tennis court with an outdoor swimming pool – PC 17/1: No objection

21/04122/FUL Land Adjacent 16 Reedgate Lane - Erection of stables and hay store for private use. (First comments 15/11). Additional information 24 Nov. PWG: 8/12: Antrobus PC's understanding is that although the location plan has been amended to correctly identify the boundary of the applicant (red line), the amended waste management plan shows proposed outbuildings to be located on a neighbour's land. The PC request the applicant check the accuracy of the plans which show discrepancies before further resubmission. The PC also object because the bottom of the hill near the corner already floods and is dangerous in icy conditions due to run off from the fields. Convincing provision for the disposal of surface water run off must be provided.

#### **CWAC DECISIONS MADE (SINCE LAST MEETING):**

21/01021/FUL Wildacre Farm Occupation Lane CW9 6JS - Proposed construction of building to form store, tack room and WC. (was Extension of existing outbuilding to form gym/study, together with construction of building to form store, tack room and WC.) PC 19/4: No objection but clarification is required on the size increase relative to the existing structure. (amendments / additional information provided) – CWAC (Jan) Approved.

21/00205/FUL Sandiway Farm Sandiway Lane CW9 6LD - Construction of Oak framed ancillary garden building - amendment to application 20/03050/FUL (rcvd 17/2 cons 10/3) - PWG 24/2: The Parish Council has no objection.- CWAC (Dec) Approved.

21/03205/LBC Sandiway Farm Sandiway Lane - Replace failing conservatory and brick extension with an orangery style oak framed structure – PC 15/11: The PC has no objection. CWAC (Dec) Approved.

21/01695/FUL - Laurel Farm Reedgate Lane CW9 6NT - Single storey extension and alterations to existing poolhouse. PWG 5/6: The Parish Council has no objection. Request that the pool should only be used as an ancillary to the residence. CWAC Nov 2021: Approval.

21/00499/FUL Land At Flash Farm, Flash Lane, Antrobus, Northwich, Conversion of barn to dwelling with single storey extension - amendment to application 20/03684/FUL Appeal APP/A0665/W/21/3279008 21/00064/REF – CWAC 6/12: Refusal. Planning Inspectorate 7/12: Appeal dismissed.

#### **CWAC DECISIONS AWAITED:**

21/04144/FUL Antrobus Farm Foggs Lane CW9 6JQ  
21/04109/FUL 1 Fosshey Cottages Keepers Lane  
21/04048/FUL Land Adjacent To Foxley Brow Farm School Lane  
21/03610/FUL The Cartwheel Caldwells Gate Lane CW9 6NX  
21/03720/FUL Flash Farm Flash Lane CW9 6JX  
21/02995/FUL Land At Nook Lane  
21/01805/FUL Oak Lodge Barbers Lane CW9 6JT  
21/01065/FUL & 21/01066/LBC Crowley Lodge Lane CW9 6NR  
21/00118/FUL & 21/00119/LBC Gale Moss Farm Arley Road CW9 6NS  
21/00747/FUL Land At Caldwells Gate Lane