



MOSTON PARISH COUNCIL

11th January 2023

Commenced: 7.30 pm Terminated: 8.05 PM

**Present: Councillor A Roscoe (Chair)
Councillors S Moran and D Nixon**

**Apologies for
Absence: Councillors Haigh and Harrop**

Also in attendance were 7 members of the public.

1. APOLOGIES FOR ABSENCE

Apologies for absence were received from Councillors Haigh and Harrop.

2. DECLARATIONS OF INTEREST

There were no declarations of interest submitted by Members of the Parish Council.

3. MINUTES

The Minutes of the proceedings of the Meeting of the Parish Council held on 14th December 2022 were approved as a correct record and signed by the Chair.

4. OBSERVATIONS ON NEW PLANNING APPLICATIONS

Councillor Nixon reported on the following:

- (i) A planning application had been submitted which was located on Moston Road but wasn't in the Parish of Moston;
- (ii) Albion Lock – A letter had been sent to David Malcolm Head of Planning on 2nd January 2023, requesting an update to a previous letter sent by the Parish Council regarding the Albion Lock Section 106 Agreement, relating to Booth Lane Footpath improvements. A response had not yet been received.
- (iii) Fairacre (retrospective) – (22/3244C) – the decision due on 23rd December 2022 had not yet been made;

RESOLVED

The Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer to send another email to Mr Malcolm.

5. FINANCES AND BUDGET

5.1 Expenditure vs Budget at 2nd January 2023

The Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer reported that at the 2nd January 2022, there had been a total year to date expenditure of £7,036 against a budget of £13,005 (excluding planning and general reserves). The balance available was £5,969.

RESOLVED

That the balance available of £5,969 be noted.

5.2 Payments and receipts since last meeting

RESOLVED

- (i) That the following payments made be noted, and authorisation be approved for the payments to be made for January:

- **Payments Made**

REF	Payee	Details	Amount
2 (Dec)	CHALC	Finance Training	30
3 (Dec)	Clerk	Reimbursement for Microsoft Office	119.99
4 (Dec)	Clive Nash	Rockery	596
5 (Dec)	D Nixon	Land Searches Reimbursement	36
6 (Dec)	Clerk	Reimbursement for ILCA Training	144
7 (Dec)	St Peter's Church	Room Hire 12/10; 25/10; 9/11; 14/12	60
8 (Dec)	Clerk	Staffing	209.1
9 (Dec)	HMRC	Staffing PAYE	52.2

- **Authorisation of Payments to be Made for January**

REF	Payee	Details	Amount
10 (Jan)	Clerk	Printer Ink Expenses	13.99
11 (Jan)	Clerk	Staffing	209.1
12 (Jan)	Clerk	Staffing PAYE	52.2

- (ii) That the Parish Council receives budget reports on a quarterly, rather than monthly basis;
- (iii) That the Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer brings to the attention of the Parish Council any unplanned expenditure on a monthly basis.

5.3 Bank Reconciliation

The Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer submitted a report detailing the Bank Reconciliation as at 2nd January 2023.

RESOLVED

That the Bank Reconciliation be noted.

5.4 Precept for 2023-2024

RESOLVED

The Parish Council noted that the Precept Request for Moston Parish Council for financial year 2023-2024, made to Cheshire East Council in the sum of £7,000 had been submitted and acknowledged.

6. TO RECEIVE CORRESPONDENCE OR ANNOUNCEMENTS

Councillor Roscoe reported on the following:-

- The Middlewich Eastern Bypass programme (subject to the confirmation of statutory orders and final funding approval) was for the main works to be started in early 2024, with an estimated 27 month construction period.
- Cheshire East residents would require photo ID to be able to vote at the May elections.

Councillor Nixon reported that he had personally responded to the consultation received from the Police and Crime Commissioner on their budget and precept for 2023-2024, and requested that the Parish Council also submitted a response..

RESOLVED

That the Clerk and Responsible Financial Officer, on behalf of the Parish Council, completes the questionnaire consultation from the Officer of the Police and Crime Commissioner on the police 2023-2024 budget.

7. TO RECEIVE ANY QUESTIONS FROM MEMBERS OF THE PUBLIC

Councillor Robert Douglas from Congleton Town Council referred to car park charges, which were being considered by Cheshire East.

Mr Robert Smith referred to a camera on Mill Lane which was monitoring the junction.

RESOLVED

That the matters raised be noted.

8. MEMBERS ITEMS AND REPORTS AND ITEMS FROM CHESHIRE EAST COUNCILLOR IF PRESENT

Councillor Nixon reported that there were no updates regarding Airband and that he would look to liaise with Zoom which was used by Sandbach.

He added that there were problems with flooding in the area, some of which was caused by blocked grids which had not been appropriately cleared by Cheshire East.

Finally, Councillor Nixon reported that the following week the existing hedge would be removed at the village green and replaced by a new hedge.

RESOLVED

That the reports be noted.

9. DATES OF MEETINGS OF PARISH COUNCIL IN 2023

RESOLVED

That the following dates of the meetings of the Parish Council in 2023 be approved:-

11 January 2023	7.30pm	Council Meeting
8 February 2023	7.30pm	Council Meeting
8 March 2023	7.00pm	Annual Parish Meeting
	7.30pm	Council Meeting

12 April 2023	7.30pm	Council Meeting
10 May 2023	7.30pm	Annual Meeting of the Parish Council
14 June 2023	7.30pm	Council Meeting
12 July 2023	7.30pm	Council Meeting
9 August 2023	7.30pm	Council Meeting
13 September 2023	7.30pm	Council Meeting
11 October 2023	7.30pm	Council Meeting
8 November 2023	7.30pm	Council Meeting
13 December 2023	7.30pm	Council Meeting

10. DETAILS OF NEXT MEETING

RESOLVED

It was noted that the next meeting of Moston Parish Council would take place on Wednesday, 8th February 2023 at 7.30 pm