

Cheddleton Parish Council

**MINUTES OF FOOTPATH & COUNTRYSIDE/ CHEDDLETON PLAYING FIELD
COMMITTEE MEETING HELD IN CHEDDLETON COMMUNITY CENTRE,
ROOM 1, HOLLOW LANE, CHEDDLETON ON TUESDAY,
18th. JANUARY 2022.**

ATTENDANCE Chairman - Councillor I. Dakin (CPF) Mrs. L.M. Salt (F&C).
Councillors - G.W. Salt & Mrs. L. Shaw.
Members - Mrs. G. Higginson.

Clerk - Ms. L. J. Eyre.

- 53 **APOLOGIES** - Apologies were received from, M.T. Bowen, H.R. Jennings T. James & M.P. Worthington. Member Mr. R. Beresford & Mr. P. Green, it was resolved to accept these.
- 54 **MINUTES OF THE FOOTPATH & COUNTRYSIDE / CHEDDLETON PLAYING FIELD COMMITTEE MEETING OF 23rd. NOVEMBER 2022** - It was resolved to accept these as a true record.
- 55 **MATTERS ARISING THEREFROM**
Re. Min. 39. Himalayan Balsam/Knotweed - Councillor Dakin updated that he will organize two events in the woods and another hiring a day boat to do it from off the canal.
- 56 **CORRESPONDENCE:-**
a. Rights of Way Reforms - David Rice. The Clerk circulated details to all members. Add an agenda item.
- 57 **UPDATE ON COMMUNITY PATHS INITIATIVE FUNDING PROJECT** - The Clerk reported that Mr. P. Green has reported that CVR is too busy now the expansion to the line.
- 58 **UPDATE ON THE RESTORATION OF THE BUTTERCROSS** - The Clerk reported that there is nothing to report as Historic England have not responded. Councillor Dakin asked is the information confidential or can it be shared. The Clerk will get an answer.
- 59 **UPDATE/SURVEY OF PATHS IN THE PARISH - VOLUNTEERS** - The Clerk handed out the survey list to all members with details of issues that remain on certain paths. The volunteers are doing an excellent job on reporting and repairing issues. Footpaths 22, 27, 64, 67, 42 (Bull Sign should be removed if no Bull in the fields) all have issues to report to Staffordshire County Council. Mrs. Higginson explained that the inspectors have split the maps and dealing with half of the paths each and will swop over when completed. Councillor Dakin thanked the Volunteers for keeping the paths cleared and works being done. Mrs. Higginson asked for a spray can spray the top of posts to highlight the route, so it was agreed as a clever idea to do this. Wildflower planting which the Clerk will follow up with Staffordshire Wildlife. The Clerk had no further reports on the directions awaiting modifications. There is a new modification that the Clerk has been made aware of by the resident from Little Lee House Farm to FP 13 to be upgraded which has not been reported yet by SCC.
- 60 **ANY NOTED FOOTPATH OBSTRUCTIONS** - All been covered under agenda item 59.

- 61 **WAYMARKING** - Mrs. Higginson reported that we need another batch from SCC to replace faded ones and those that have disappeared.
- 62 **COUNTRYSIDE** - No matters were raised.
- 63 **CHEDDLETON PLAYING FIELD CHAIRMAN'S IDEAS** - Councillor Dakin mentioned that the volunteers are happy to help with some of the ideas suggested and speak to Jim about the no mow areas to allow to grow wild.
- 64 **GENERAL CONDITION OF THE FIELD** - The Clerk reported that dog fouling is still an issue. Councillor Mark Deaville has approached the Council to share ideas and funding available to help revitalize the Playing Field so we will invite him to share at the next meeting.
- 65 **ANY WORKS REQUIRED/VOLUNTEERS** - The Clerk reported that the pitch repairs and holes filled to be scheduled once the weather picks up with Steve the handyman. He has also worked his way through the Inspection Report and done any works required. He checks the equipment weekly and reports on anything that needs doing. The Clerk reported that two of the signs have been scribbled on with marker pens which Steve had reported. Tennis Courts had been discussed as an option for upgrading the tarmac and tidy up the area as it had been mentioned on Cheddleton Chat. Maybe cost a permanent net/ new basketball hoop. Possibility of funding. Bat/Bird Boxes in April.
- 66 **GRANGE POND** - The Clerk reported that grounds maintenance has been conducted as a bill has been submitted by Jim.
- 67 **BRIDGE EYE** - The Clerk that there is a meeting of Cautionary Lands Charity later this week and the Well and the Wall will be discussed. Moles been reported. Councillor Mrs. Salt will report back and mentioned that the trees may require works. Councillor Mrs. Shaw stated that it does get used but is a lovely play area and does not seem to attract dog walkers so no issues at the moment.
- 68 **FORWARD AGENDA ITEMS** - No items were raised.

Chairman