

COMBERBACH PARISH COUNCIL

TUESDAY 26 NOVEMBER 2024

Dear Councillor

You are summoned to attend the Meeting of Comberbach Parish Council to be held on Tuesday 26 November 2024 at 6.45pm at **Comberbach Memorial Hall**.

DJ French

Denise French

Clerk to Comberbach Parish Council

Open Forum

There will be a period of 15 minutes before the meeting starts for members of the public to raise any issue that relates to Comberbach. The Open Forum will start at 6.45pm and the formal agenda below will start after that. The period of public participation may be extended at the discretion of the Chairman.

AGENDA

1. Apologies for Absence

To receive and approve apologies for unavoidable absence.

2. To receive Members' Declarations of Interest on any matters on the agenda

3. To approve the minutes of the meeting of the Parish Council held on 15 October 2024 (attached)

4. Progress reports and updates

4.1 Resilience Plan – to consider the latest version of the Resilience Plan and make any comments (draft plan attached)

4.2 Freedom Fibre – to consider an update on the virtual meeting with Freedom Fibre regarding the queries raised by residents relating to connectivity issues with certain ISPs and connectivity to all residential properties in the Comberbach Parish Boundary.

4.3 Comberbach Village News – to note that the current coordinator is now standing down after the November/December edition and to consider the new arrangements.

5. Cheshire West and Chester Councillors updates

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To consider any updates from CWAC Councillors.

6. Recreation Area & Pump Track

6.1. To consider the regular update from the Chairman

6.2 To consider the reports from the regular inspections (attached)

6.3 To approve a budget of £100 for materials and labour for the gate repair by Shane Ross

7. Highways and Streetscene

7.1 To consider any update on gully cleaning information and the interactive mapping system.

7.2 To update the Council on the response of Antrobus Parish Council regarding Gibb Hill resurfacing and consider an update from the meeting of Antrobus PC on 18 November

7.3 To consider an issue regarding timescales to order and replace a damaged street sign. A resident reported damage on the 3 April and whilst trying to chase has had no update.

7.4 To advise Parish Councillors that the Chairman wrote to CW&C to request an update as to whether the highway verges were sprayed in October as per the CW&C weed control schedule.

It would appear that very limited spraying had been undertaken as the weeds are showing no deterioration in November.

7.5 To confirm the agreement of the Finance Committee that the repair to the Speed Indicator Device at a cost of £450 be paid from the 2024/25 budget and not claimed on the insurance policy.

8. Accounts and Financial Matters

8.1 To note the accounts for 30 October 2024 in Appendix 1

8.2 To approve the payments list in Appendix 2.

8.3 To note that the National Association of Local Councils (NALC) has advised that the annual Pay Award for 2024/25 has now been agreed and new salary scales have been issued with effect from 1 April 2024. The Clerk and RFO are now on a new hourly rate and back pay will be awarded.

8.4 To approve the budget of £150 for additional poppies and “Tommy” remembrance signage. To agree a date in December for the removal of the poppies by Councillors

8.5 To approve a budget of £220 for the purchase of a Christmas Tree for the village located at the Methodist Chapel

9. Projects and events

9.1 Christmas music concert – to consider any feedback on the event held on Saturday 23 November from 7.00pm – 9.30pm.

9.2 To consider the Keep Britain Tidy initiative to take place in March – April 2025

9.3 To consider a further promotion of the Defib training in the next Village Newsletter to encourage attendance

10. Planning

10.1 To note in appendix 3 any decisions by CW&C and consider or note decisions advised by the planning working group.

10.2. To consider any new Enforcement matters.

10.3 To consider an update on the issue raised on Cogshall Lane about a dropped kerb and the email received stating that no new enforcements will be undertaken until the backlog has been completed. To seek views of Ward Councillors and consider whether to write to the Head of Planning

11. Correspondence

To consider the correspondence schedule along with a verbal update on any correspondence received since the agenda was published (to follow)

12. Representative Reports

To consider updates from Councillor representatives:

- Comberbach Memorial Hall Management Committee – Cllr McDermott
- Police Liaison – Cllr Chandler. To also consider any update from the recent meeting with the Police and Crime Commissioner
- School Liaison – Cllr McDermott
- Fete Committee – Cllr Ryder

- Bowling Club – Cllr Darwin

Part 2 – EXCLUSION OF THE PUBLIC AND PRESS

To resolve under the Public Bodies (Admission to Meetings) Act 1960 to exclude the press and public due to the confidential nature of the business to be discussed

None

Date of next meeting – Tuesday 14 January 2025 at 6.45pm

Appendix 1 Accounts for 30 October 2024

Current account	£17,678.76	Reserve	£28,616.42
Cash book	£46,295.18	Reconciliation:	0

Appendix 2 Payments

Item	Amount	Power
Northwich Town Council – Inv 7993, Inspection	£60.00	LGA 1972 s 111
HMRC – PAYE Q2 24/25 (overdue, inc 99p interest)	£305.99	LGA 1972 s 111
J Ryder – RBL lamp post poppies and Tommies	£146.98	LGA 1972 s 111
Synchroprint – Inv 7027, CVN Nov 24	£232.32	LGA 1972 s 111
V McDermott, food for 23 Nov event	£37.00	LGA 1972 s 111
Synchroprint – Inv 7064, Pull-up banner	£132.86	LGA 1972 s 111

Pre-Authorised Payments

Item	Amount	Power
PAP2417, BWP Creative inv 3093, website costs	£273.60	LGA 1972 s 111
DD – Babble, MS Office license Oct 24	£23.50	LGA 1972 s 111
DD – Tesco Mobile, Sep 24	£7.50	LGA 1972 s 111

Appendix 3 Recent planning decisions by CW&C

APPLICATION DETAILS	DATE OF VALIDATION	CURRENT POSITION
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21/05070/OUT - Outline planning permission for a mixed use development of up to 1,550 units of residential dwellings including affordable housing (subject to viability); specialist accommodation for older people including residential care home; local centre and active ground floor uses comprising up to 600 sqm of flexible floorspace for retail (including small convenience food store); up to 275 sqm of health, nursery and community; up to 7,700 sqm of employment space; up to 950 sqm of cafe, restaurant, takeaway and public house floorspace; up to a 2,250sqm (up to 2FE) primary school with associated playing fields (Use Class F1(a)); and associated road infrastructure, landscaping (including Sustainable Urban Drainage Systems), public realm and amenity space (all matters reserved except for vehicular access), land at Winnington Works	Wed 22 Dec 2021	Awaiting decision
21/01937/S73, Single storey side and rear extension and creation of first floor (Variation of conditions 2 (approved plans) and 3 (materials) of planning permission 19/01832/FUL), 31 Senna Lane	Fri 30 Apr 2021	Awaiting decision
24/00177/FUL - Two storey, part single storey side extension, single storey rear extension, front canopy porch and detached garage to replace existing. 18 Senna Lane Comberbach	23 January 2024	Approved
24/00595/FUL - Relocation of existing equine building and the siting of a new stable block with access track and hardstanding area Land Off Senna Lane, Comberbach	26 February 2024	Awaiting decision
24/00958/FUL - Demolition of existing dwelling and erection of a replacement dwelling - Resubmission of planning application 23/02023/FUL, Hill View, Hough Lane	28 May 2024	Approved
24/00647/FUL - steel framed building, Ivy Lodge Farm	3 June 2024	Refused
24/02049/FUL – single storey garden room, 11 Kennelwood Road	12 July 2024	Awaiting decision
24/01734/FUL - Demolition of the existing dwelling and outbuildings, including removal of the mobile home, and the erection of a	27 June 2024	Awaiting decision

replacement dwelling - Brookside Farm, Cogshall Lane		
24/03284/TPO - 1x Maple - crown reduce by 1m back to previous cuts. 2 x Oak - crown reduce by 1.5m back to previous cuts and crown lift to 5m. Small area of field Maples - reduce back into former hedgerow – 2 Freshfields	4 November 2024	Awaiting decision