

**Capenhurst and Ledsham Parish Council**  
**Ordinary Parish Council Minutes**  
**13th March 2019**  
**Capenhurst Village Hall**  
**Part 1**

**1 Procedural matters..**

(a) Apologies.

Apologies received from Cllr J Pemberton and Brian Crowe.

Present: Cllr T Foster, Cllr R Bebbington, Cllr A Warden, Cllr N Hardwick, Cllr Brassington (7.20pm) and Cllr Tomlinson.

3 representative from Urenco and three members of the public.

Clerk Lisa Tiplady in attendance.

(b) Declarations of interest. Cllr Hardwick has shares in B4RN.

(c) Confirmation of the minutes of the Ordinary meeting of the Council held on Wednesday 9th January 2019. It was proposed by Cllr Tomlinson and seconded by Cllr Bebbington to accept the minutes of the meeting as an accurate record. The Chairman signed a copy of the minutes.

(d) Dates of future meetings.

2019

8th May 7pm School

10th July 7pm Capenhurst Court, Urenco

11th September 7pm School

13th November 7pm Capenhurst Court, Urenco

It was decided to change the location of the Village Hall meetings to the Urenco site due to room impracticalities.

**2. Community engagement/Communications**

(a) Urenco representative

Cllr Pemberton has discussed Britain in Bloom with Neil Fagan prior to the meeting and Urenco are happy to assist. Urenco have a botanical organisation on site which could be used. Mr Fagan also suggested employees working alongside residents to help with litter picking or planting.

Ms Fogg has ordered the new speed sign for the village. Once fully installed all keys and access codes will be transferred over to the Parish Council. Mr Fagan suggested another speed sign on Rectory Lane to cover all entrances to the village. The sports field has been renovated. Cllr Hardwick will continue to liaise with Urenco regarding B4RN.

In regards to the noise complaints the environment agency are doing noise studies on/off the site. Following complaints from residents and the MP it was decided to only use the stacks during daytime hours. A silencer in the stacks was fitted on the 27/28th February and a

noise test conducted on the 8th March showed a decrease in noise. Residents are currently waiting for sound testing to be done in gardens at various locations around the village. The silencer in the smaller stack is due to be fitted w/c 15th April.

Cllr Hardwick expressed concerns about noise from road sweepers on the technology park between 8-11am on Saturday mornings and thanked Urenco for the new fence around the sports field.

ACTION: Mr Fagan will produce a summary of stack changes on site for the facebook page. Mr Fagan will try to arrange the road sweeper to be used at a different time of day. Cllr Warden thanked Urenco for the work they had done so far to improve the situation. Ms Fogg to send minutes of the last liaison meeting to Cllr Hardwick.

Cllr Tomlinson had received complaints from residents on Ledsham Lane. Urenco confirmed that access through Thornton Hey is temporary. The Northwest gate belongs to Urenco and is for emergency use only. All staff must use the front gates for security reasons.

- (b) Visiting officers. No officers were present.
- (c) Visiting member. No members present.
- (d) Members of the public speaking time. One resident reported lots of activity by AMEY on Rectory Lane resulting in muddy roads.
- (e) Correspondence from members of the public. Nothing to report
- (f) Website. The Clerk confirmed that the website is nearly ready and will distribute a link to the website to all councillors after the meeting.
- (g) Events. Nothing to report.

### 3. Planning

- (a) New/recent applications.

19/00604/LBC	Inglewood Badgers Rake Lane Ledsham Chester CH66 8PF Internal alterations to wall between drawing room and ante dining room Comments by 1st April 2019
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- (b) Awaiting decision

18/04695/FUL	Old Rectory Nursing Home Rectory Lane Capenhurst Chester CH1 6HN Single storey infill extension, formation of internal courtyard and raised terrace and conversion of existing staff building Status: Awaiting decision
18/04796/OUT	The Kestrels Capenhurst Lane Capenhurst Chester Cheshire CH1 6HE Outline application for new commercial unit (Class B1/B2/B8) Status: Awaiting decision

(c) Decisions

18/03973/FUL	Willow Barn Welsh Road Ledsham Chester CH66 9PA Erection of two bay timber garage Status: Refusal
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(d) B4RN permitted development. Cllr Hardwick confirmed that the cabinet is now in place and the power connection from the sports field is now on order.

ACTION: Cllr Hardwick to confirm wifi will be installed in Village Hall.

#### 4. Highways

(a) Standing consideration of Highways matters

i) Planters

Cllr Pemberton has made an official complaint but is currently still waiting a reply to her letters.

ACTION: Cllr Foster will distribute a list of Chris Mattheson's surgery dates for complaints.

(b) Speed awareness

Urenco are paying 50% with CWAC for new speed signs. It was noted that the 20mph road markings on Capenhurst Lane entering from the A41 need reporting to CWAC.

ACTION: Clerk to get costing from CWAC.

(c) Speed limit changes.

Cllr Pemberton had emailed the Clerk confirming that residents have been complaining about the speed along Ledsham Road. She has suggested all roads become 40mph.

The Clerk read out an email from Highways England discussing improving star rating on the A550. The speed limit has been decreased in two locations. Cllr Tomlinson has expressed concerns that residents are finding it hard to get out of their properties due to cars speeding up at the deregulation of the speed signs.

Cllr Tomlinson also noted that parking on the pavements in Ledsham is still an issue and cars are regularly parked on the bend.

ACTION: Cllr Tomlinson will write to Highways England to confirm that the changes have had a negative impact on the road and residents. The Clerk will email PCSO Wendy Leason asking for police assistance to ensure motorists are parked safely in Ledsham.

#### 5. Finance

(a) Income Received. None received

(b) Payments made

Lisa Tiplady (Staples)	18.05
Lisa Tiplady (¼ chalc fee)	8.75
Lisa Tiplady (Mileage)	7.20
Lisa Tiplady (Wages)	305.22
HMRC	76.20

It was proposed by Cllr Tomlinson and seconded by Cllr Hardwick to approve the above payments.

(c) Balances / Bank statements/Payment schedule cash book. The bank balance upto 5th March 2019 was £7111.61. The bank statements were signed.

## **6. CWAC and other organisations**

(a) CWAC correspondence. The Clerk had attended an election training course and distributed election packs to councillors interested in standing for re-election.

(b) ChALC/NALC. The Clerk will shortly be attending a training course on the Code of Conduct.

## **7. Policy review.**

ACTION: Clerk to resend financial regulations and standing orders to all Councillors.

## **8. Parish Orderly**

The Council decided to review this in the future depending on how much Urenco can help.

## **9. Britain in Bloom**

Cllr Pemberton has made contact with Britain in Bloom and a representative will visit in March to discuss the competition further.

## **10. Members information / speaking time**

Cllr Foster asked if the Parish Council had any objections in principle to moving the Village Hall to along the boundary fence. She discussed the benefits which included; Easy access to sports field, more space for the School and to distance any noise from nearby houses.

**Resolution.** It was resolved to accept in principle to moving the Village Hall to along the boundary fence.

Cllr Hardwick requested that when "The Kestrels" is demolished that the dropped kerb in this location be removed.

ACTION: Clerk to add comment to the planning portal.

Cllr Foster noted that she had received numerous complaints about the 20mph speed changes. The other Councillors advised that this is now government policy.

ACTION: Clerk to contact PCSO to confirm if 20mph speed limits are enforceable.

Cllr Tomlinson asked if there was any update on the Pinfold damage. If no progress Historic England will be contacted after the next meeting.

ACTION:Clerk to contact CWAC locality officer regarding this.

Cllr Bebbington raised concerns about the pathways in Ledsham.

ACTION: Cllr Bebbington to ask MP Chris Mattheson at his next surgery. Clerk to contact CWAC locality officer regarding this.

Cllr Bebbington confirmed she would not be standing for election following 25+ years as a Councillor. Cllr Warden thanked Cllr Bebbington for her long service and contribution to her community and for her attendance at LLC meetings. Cllr Tomlinson presented Cllr Bebbington with a gift. It was also noted that Cllr Brian Crowe would also be retiring.

Meeting closed XXX pm